

Connecticut Species of Greatest Conservation Need

Bird Species - Most Important

American Bittern, *Botaurus lentiginosus* State Endangered
Barn Owl, *Tyto alba* State Endangered
Common Nighthawk, *Chordeiles minor* State Endangered
Golden-winged Warbler, *Vermivora chrysoptera* State Endangered
Grasshopper Sparrow, *Ammodramus savannarum* State Endangered
Great Egret, *Ardea alba* State Threatened
Horned Lark, *Eremophila alpestris* State Endangered
King Rail, *Rallus elegans* State Endangered
Least Bittern, *Ixobrychus exilis* State Threatened
Least Tern, *Sterna antillarum* State Threatened
Little Blue Heron, *Egretta caerulea* State Special Concern
Northern Harrier, *Circus cyaneus* State Endangered
Pied-billed Grebe, *Podilymbus podiceps* State Endangered
Piping Plover, *Charadrius melodus* State Threatened
Red-headed Woodpecker, *Melanerpes erythrocephalus* State Endangered
Roseate Tern, *Sterna dougallii* State Endangered
Saltmarsh Sharp-tailed Sparrow, *Ammodramus caudacutus* State Special Concern
Seaside Sparrow, *Ammodramus maritimus* State Special Concern
Sedge Wren, *Cistothorus platensis* State Endangered
Upland Sandpiper, *Bartramia longicauda* State Endangered
Vesper Sparrow, *Poocetes gramineus* State Endangered
Yellow-breasted Chat, *Icteria virens* State Endangered

Bird Species - Very Important

Acadian Flycatcher, *Empidonax virescens*
Alder Flycatcher, *Empidonax alnorum* State Special Concern
American Black Duck, *Anas rubripes*
American Kestrel, *Falco sparverius* State Threatened
American Oystercatcher, *Haematopus palliatus* State Special Concern
American Woodcock, *Scolopax minor*
Bald Eagle, *Haliaeetus leucocephalus* State Endangered
Black Rail, *Laterallus jamaicensis* State Endangered
Black-and-white Warbler, *Mniotilta varia*
Black-billed Cuckoo, *Coccyzus erythrophthalmus*
Black-throated Blue Warbler, *Dendroica caerulescens*
Blue-headed Vireo, *Vireo solitarius*
Blue-winged Teal, *Anas discors* State Threatened
Blue-winged Warbler, *Vermivora pinus*
Bobolink, *Dolichonyx oryzivorus* State Special Concern
Brown Thrasher, *Toxostoma rufum* State Special Concern
Canada Warbler, *Wilsonia canadensis*
Cerulean Warbler, *Dendroica cerulea*
Chestnut-sided Warbler, *Dendroica pensylvanica*

Chimney Swift, *Chaetura pelagica*
Clapper Rail, *Rallus longirostris*
Common Loon, *Gavia immer* State Special Concern
Common Moorhen, *Gallinula chloropus* State Endangered
Common Raven, *Corvus corax* State Special Concern
Common Tern, *Sterna hirundo* State Special Concern
Eastern Meadowlark, *Sturnella magna* State Special Concern
Eastern Towhee, *Pipilo erythrophthalmus*
Field Sparrow, *Spizella pusilla*
Glossy Ibis, *Plegadis falcinellus* State Special Concern
Golden-crowned Kinglet, *Regulus satrapa*
Great Crested Flycatcher, *Myiarchus crinitus*
Greater Scaup, *Aythya marila*
Green Heron, *Butorides virescens*
Hermit Thrush, *Catharus guttatus*
Hooded Merganser, *Lophodytes cucullatus*
Indigo Bunting, *Passerina cyanea*
Ipswich Sparrow, *Passerculus sandwichensis princeps* State Special Concern
Least Flycatcher, *Empidonax minimus*
Long-eared Owl, *Asio otus* State Endangered
Long-tailed Duck, *Clangula hyemalis*
Marsh Wren, *Cistothorus palustris*
Northern Bobwhite, *Colinus virginianus*
Northern Saw-whet Owl, *Aegolius acadicus* State Special Concern
Peregrine Falcon, *Falco peregrinus* State Endangered
Prairie Warbler, *Dendroica discolor*
Rose-breasted Grosbeak, *Pheucticus ludovicianus*
Ruffed Grouse, *Bonasa umbellus*
Savannah Sparrow, *Passerculus sandwichensis* State Special Concern
Sharp-shinned Hawk, *Accipiter striatus* State Endangered
Short-eared Owl, *Asio flammeus* State Threatened
Snowy Egret, *Egretta thula* State Threatened
Sora, *Porzana carolina*
Whip-poor-will, *Caprimulgus vociferus* State Special Concern
Wood Thrush, *Hylocichla mustelina*
Worm-eating Warbler, *Helmitheros vermivorus*
Yellow-billed Cuckoo, *Coccyzus americanus*
Yellow-crowned Night-heron, *Nyctanassa violacea* State Special Concern

Bird Species - Important

American Redstart, *Setophaga ruticilla*
Baltimore Oriole, *Icterus galbula*
Bank Swallow, *Riparia riparia*
Barred Owl, *Strix varia*
Bay-breasted Warbler, *Dendroica castanea*
Belted Kingfisher, *Ceryle alcyon*

Black Scoter, *Melanitta nigra*
Black Skimmer, *Rynchops niger*
Blackburnian Warbler, *Dendroica fusca*
Black-crowned Night-heron, *Nycticorax nycticorax*
Black-throated Green Warbler, *Dendroica virens*
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, *Polioptila caerulea*
Broad-winged Hawk, *Buteo platypterus*
Brown Creeper, *Certhia americana*
Canvasback, *Aythya valisineria*
Cape May Warbler, *Dendroica tigrina*
Cliff Swallow, *Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*
Common Merganser, *Mergus merganser*
Cooper's Hawk, *Accipiter cooperii*
Dark-eyed Junco, *Junco hyemalis*
Eastern Kingbird, *Tyrannus tyrannus*
Eastern Screech-owl, *Otus asio*
Eastern Wood-pewee, *Contopus virens*
Gray Catbird, *Dumetella carolinensis*
Gray-cheeked Thrush, *Catharus minimus*
Great Blue Heron, *Ardea herodias*
Great Cormorant, *Phalacrocorax carbo*
Great Horned Owl, *Bubo virginianus*
Hooded Warbler, *Wilsonia citrina*
Horned Grebe, *Podiceps auritus*
Lesser Scaup, *Aythya affinis*
Louisiana Waterthrush, *Seiurus motacilla*
Magnolia Warbler, *Dendroica magnolia*
Northern Flicker, *Colaptes auratus*
Northern Goshawk, *Accipiter gentilis*
Northern Parula, *Parula americana* State Special Concern
Northern Rough-winged Swallow, *Stelgidopteryx serripennis*
Northern Waterthrush, *Seiurus noveboracensis*
Olive-sided Flycatcher, *Contopus borealis*
Orchard Oriole, *Icterus spurius*
Osprey, *Pandion haliaetus*
Ovenbird, *Seiurus aurocapillus*
Pileated Woodpecker, *Dryocopus pileatus*
Purple Finch, *Carpodacus purpureus*
Purple Martin, *Progne subis* State Threatened
Red-breasted Nuthatch, *Sitta canadensis*
Red-necked Grebe, *Podiceps grisegena*
Red-shouldered Hawk, *Buteo lineatus*
Red-throated Loon, *Gavia stellata*
Rough-legged Hawk, *Buteo lagopus*
Ruby-throated Hummingbird, *Archilochus colubris*
Ruddy Turnstone, *Arenaria interpres*

Sanderling, *Calidris alba*
Scarlet Tanager, *Piranga olivacea*
Semipalmated Sandpiper, *Calidris pusilla*
Snowy Owl, *Nyctea scandiaca*
Spotted Sandpiper, *Actitis macularia*
Surf Scoter, *Melanitta perspicillata*
Swainson's Thrush, *Catharus ustulatus*
Veery, *Catharus fuscescens*
Virginia Rail, *Rallus limicola*
Warbling Vireo, *Vireo gilvus*
White-eyed Vireo, *Vireo griseus*
White-winged Scoter, *Melanitta fusca*
Willet, *Catoptrophorus semipalmatus*
Willow Flycatcher, *Empidonax traillii*
Winter Wren, *Troglodytes troglodytes*
Yellow-rumped Warbler, *Dendroica coronata*
Yellow-throated Vireo, *Vireo flavifrons*