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American Oystercatcher	1	Coastal	CC; CU									
Bicknell's Thrush	1	Uplands	UM	SC	FSC		I	NA 5; ME 5			**R, D	
Black Tern	1	Wetlands	WM; WL	E	FSC				Focal Spp.		R	
Blue-winged Warbler	1	Uplands Wetlands	US WS				I					
Least Tern	1	Coastal	CU; CS; CE	E					Focal Spp.		R, D	
Peregrine Falcon	1	Uplands	UR	E	FD							
Piping Plover	1	Coastal	CU	E	FT			NA 5; ME 5				
Roseate Tern	1	Coastal	CC; CE	E	FE				Focal Spp.			
Saltmarsh Sharp-tailed Sparrow	1	Coastal	CS	SC			I M				D, A	
Sedge Wren	1	Wetlands Uplands	WM UG	E			IIC				R, D	
Short-eared Owl	1	Uplands Coastal Wetlands	UG; UB CS WM	SC			I				R, D	
Upland Sandpiper	1	Uplands	UB; UG	T			IIA&C	NA 4; ME 5			R	
American Bittern	2	Wetlands Uplands	WM; WS UG						Focal Spp.		R, D	
American Black Duck	2	Coastal Wetlands	CE; CS WM; WL; WF			CP: High						
American Coot (breeding)	2	Wetlands	WM	SC								
American Pipit (breeding)	2	Uplands	UA	E								
American Three-toed Woodpecker	2	Uplands	UC	SC								
American Woodcock	2	Uplands Wetlands	US; UD WS				Ila	NA 4				
Arctic Tern	2	Coastal	CC; CO; CE	T					Focal Spp.			
Atlantic Puffin	2	Coastal	CC; CO	T					Focal Spp.			
Bald Eagle	2	Coastal Wetlands	CC; CE WL; WR	T	FT							
Baltimore Oriole	2	Uplands	UD				IIA					

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Barn Swallow	2	Wetlands Uplands	WL; WM UG; UU									TH1
Barred Owl	2	Uplands	UC; UD				M					
Barrow's Goldeneye	2	Wetlands Coastal	WR CE	SC								
Bay-breasted Warbler	2	Uplands	UC				I					
Black and White Warbler	2	Uplands	UD				IIA					
Black-billed Cuckoo	2	Uplands	UD; UC; UB				IIA					
Blackburnian Warbler	2	Uplands	UC				IIC					
Black-crowned Night Heron	2	Coastal Wetlands	CS; CC WM	SC								
Black-throated Blue Warbler	2	Uplands	UD				IIA					
Black-throated Green Warbler	2	Uplands	UD; UC				IIB					
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	2	Uplands	US									TH4
Bobolink	2	Uplands Wetlands	UG; UB WM				IIA&C					
Bonaparte's Gull (breeding)	2	Wetlands	WL									TH4
Brown Thrasher	2	Uplands	US; UB				IIA					
Canada Warbler	2	Uplands Wetlands	UD WF				I			R, A		
Cape May Warbler	2	Uplands	UC				IIA					
Cattle Egret	2	Coastal	CC; CS									BA2
Chestnut-sided Warbler	2	Uplands	US				IIA					
Chimney Swift	2	Uplands	UU; UD				IIA&C					
Common Eider	2	Coastal	CC; CE; CO					CP: High				
Common Loon	2	Wetlands Coastal	WL CE; CO							Focal Spp.		
Common Moorhen	2	Wetlands	WM	SC								
Common Murre	2	Coastal	CC; CO	EX								BA
Common Nighthawk	2	Uplands	US; UB; UU				M					
Common Tern	2	Coastal Wetlands	CC; CE WL	SC						Focal Spp.		D, S
Eastern Kingbird	2	Uplands	US				IIA					

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Eastern Meadowlark	2	Uplands	UG	SC								
Eastern Screech-Owl	2	Uplands	UD; UU	SC								
Eastern Towhee	2	Uplands	US; UB				IIA					
Field Sparrow	2	Uplands	UG; US				IIA					
Glossy Ibis	2	Coastal	CC; CS									BA2
Golden Eagle	2	Uplands Wetlands Coastal	UR WR CE	E					S			
Grasshopper Sparrow	2	Uplands	UG; UB	E			IIC					
Great Blue Heron	2	Coastal Wetlands	CU; CC WL; WM						Focal Spp.			BA1
Great Cormorant (breeding)	2	Coastal	CC; CE	SC								
Great Egret	2	Coastal	CC; CS									BA2
Great-crested Flycatcher	2	Uplands	UD				IIA					
Greater Scaup (non-breeding)	2	Coastal Wetlands	CE WR; WL			CP: High						
Greater Shearwater	2	Coastal	CO						Focal Spp.			
Greater Yellowlegs	2	Coastal	CU; CS					NA 4; ME 4				
Harlequin Duck	2	Coastal	CC	T	FSC					**D, S		
Horned Lark (breeding)	2	Uplands	UG									TH3&4
Least Bittern	2	Wetlands	WM	SC					Focal Spp.			BA2
Little Blue Heron	2	Coastal	CC; CS									
Loggerhead Shrike (non-breeding)	2	Uplands	US	SC	FSC					**R		
Long-eared Owl	2	Uplands	UC; UD							D		
Louisiana Waterthrush	2	Wetlands Uplands	WR UD; UC				IIA				R, A	
Marsh Wren	2	Wetlands	WM				IIA					
Neilson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow	2	Coastal Wetlands	CS WM				I M					
Northern Flicker	2	Uplands	UD; UC; UU				IIA					
Northern Parula	2	Uplands	UD				IIB					
Olive-sided Flycatcher	2	Uplands	UC; UD	SC			I					

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Pied-billed Grebe	2	Wetlands	WS; WP									
Prairie Warbler	2	Wetlands	WL; WM								R, D	
Purple Finch	2	Uplands	UB				I					
Purple Martin	2	Uplands	UC; UD; UM; UU				IIA					
Purple Sandpiper	2	Wetlands Uplands	WM; WL UG									TH3&4
Razorbill	2	Coastal	CC					NA 4; ME 4				
Red Crossbill	2	Coastal Uplands	CC; CO UC	T								
Red Knot	2	Uplands	UC									TH3
Red-necked Phalarope	2	Coastal	CU					NA 5; ME 5			S	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	2	Coastal Uplands	CO; CE UD	SC				NA 3; ME 5				
Ruddy Duck	2	Coastal Wetlands	CE WL									BA
Ruddy Turnstone	2	Coastal	CC; CU									
Rusty Blackbird	2	Wetlands	WS; WF; WP	SC				NA 4; ME 4				
Sanderling	2	Coastal	CU									
Sandhill Crane	2	Wetlands Uplands	WM UG					NA 4; ME 4				TH4
Scarlet Tanager	2	Uplands	UD									
Semipalmated Sandpiper	2	Coastal	CU; CC					NA 4; ME 4				
Snowy Egret	2	Coastal	CC; CS							Focal Spp.		BA2
Tri-colored Heron	2	Coastal	CC; CS									BA2
Veery	2	Uplands	UD									
Vesper Sparrow	2	Uplands	UB; UG	SC								
Whimbrel	2	Coastal Uplands	CU; CS UB	SC								
Whip-poor-will	2	Uplands	US; UB; UD									
Willet	2	Coastal	CS; CU							IIA&C &M	R, D	
Willow Flycatcher	2	Wetlands Uplands	WS US									

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Wood Thrush	2	Uplands	UD						I			
Yellow Rail	2	Wetlands	WM	SC								
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	2	Uplands	UD						IIA			
Yellow-throated Vireo	2	Wetlands Uplands	WR; WF UD						IIA			
American Redstart	3	Uplands	UD									TH1
American Widgeon	3	Wetlands	WM									BA
Atlantic Brant	3	Coastal	CE									BA
Bank Swallow	3	Wetlands Uplands	WL; WR UG									TH2
Black Guillemot	3	Coastal	CC; CE							Focal Spp.		
Black Scoter	3	Coastal	CE									BA
Black-backed Woodpecker	3	Uplands	UC									TH3
Black-bellied Plover	3	Coastal	CU									LT
Blackpoll Warbler	3	Uplands	UC; UM									TH3
Blue-winged Teal	3	Wetlands	WL									BA
Boreal Owl	3	Uplands	UD; UC									TH4
Broad-winged Hawk	3	Uplands	UD; UC						IIA			
Canada Goose (NAP) (non-breeding)	3	Coastal Uplands	CE UG									BA
Carolina Wren	3	Uplands	US; UB; UU									TH3&4
Common Goldeneye	3	Coastal Wetlands	CE WL; WR; WF									BA
Common Yellowthroat	3	Wetlands Uplands	WS US									TH1
Cooper's Hawk	3	Uplands	UD; UC	SC								
Eastern Wood-Pewee	3	Uplands	UD									TH1
Eskimo Curlew	3	Coastal Uplands	CU UB	EX	FE					NA 5		
Evening Grosbeak	3	Uplands	UC; UD									TH1
Fox Sparrow	3	Uplands	US									TH4
Gadwall	3	Wetlands	WM									BA
Great Black-backed Gull	3	Coastal	CC; CE								Focal Spp.	

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Green Heron	3	Wetlands	WS										BA
Green-winged Teal	3	Wetlands	WM										BA
Herring Gull	3	Coastal	CC; CE							Focal Spp.			
Horned Grebe	3	Coastal	CE							Focal Spp.			
House Wren	3	Uplands	US; UU										TH1
Killdeer	3	Uplands Coastal	UG CU										LT
Laughing Gull	3	Coastal	CC; CE	SC									
Leach's Storm-petrel	3	Coastal	CC; CO; CE	SC						Focal Spp.			
Least Flycatcher	3	Uplands	UD; UC										TH1
Lesser Scaup	3	Coastal	CE										BA
Long-tailed Duck	3	Coastal	CE			NGI & NCN: High							
Mallard	3	Wetlands Coastal Uplands	WM CS UG						CP: High				
Merlin	3	Uplands	UD; UC; UB; UU										TH4
Northern Goshawk	3	Uplands	UD; UC	SC	FSC								
Northern Harrier	3	Wetlands Uplands	WM UG; UB									R	
Northern Pintail	3	Wetlands	WM						CP: High				
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	3	Wetlands Uplands	WR; WL UG										TH3
Northern Shoveler	3	Wetlands	WM										BA
Orchard Oriole	3	Uplands	US	SC									TH2
Ovenbird	3	Uplands	UD										TH3
Palm Warbler	3	Wetlands	WP; WF										TH3
Pine Grosbeak (breeding)	3	Uplands	UC										TH4
Red-bellied Woodpecker	3	Uplands Wetlands	UD; UC WR; WF										TH4
Red-breasted Merganser (breeding)	3	Wetlands	WR										BA

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Red-shouldered Hawk	3	Wetlands Uplands	WF UD								TH3
Red-throated Loon	3	Coastal	CO; CE						Focal Spp.		
Ring-necked Duck	3	Wetlands	WL; WM								BA
Ruffed Grouse	3	Uplands	UD; US		IIA						
Short-billed Dowitcher	3	Coastal	CU; CS								LT
Solitary Sandpiper	3	Wetlands	WF; WP								LT
Sora	3	Wetlands	WM								TH3
Spruce Grouse	3	Uplands	UC								AW
Surf Scoter	3	Coastal	CE			NGI & NCN: High					
Tennessee Warbler	3	Uplands Wetlands	UC WS; WF								TH1
Tree Swallow	3	Uplands	UG; UU; UD								TH1
Virginia Rail	3	Wetlands	WM				IIA				
White-throated Sparrow	3	Uplands	US								TH1
White-winged Crossbill	3	Uplands	UC								TH3
White-winged Scoter	3	Coastal	CE								BA
Yellow Warbler	3	Uplands Wetlands	UD; US; UU WS								TH1
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	3	Uplands	UD; US								TH3&4

¹Priority Ranks: Highest Priority =1, High Priority = 2, and Moderate Priority = 3

²Habitat Types: CO=Marine Open Water, CE=Estuaries and Bays, CC=Rocky Coastline and Islands, CU=Unconsolidated Shore, CS=Estuarine Emergent Saltmarsh; WL=Lakes and Ponds, WM=Emergent Marsh and Wet Meadows, WF=Forested Wetland, WS=Shrub-scrub Wetland, WP=Peatlands, WR=Rivers and Streams; UD=Deciduous and Mixed Forest, UC=Coniferous Forest, UB=Dry Woodlands and Barrens, UM=Mountaintop Forest, UA=Alpine, US=Shrub/Early Successional Habitat, UG=Grasslands/Agricultural/Old Field, UU=Urban/Suburban, UR=Cliff Face and rocky outcrop; UCM= caves and mines; Note: Bold face codes denote habitat type in Table 30 where conservation strategies are discussed.

³State Endangered/Threatened/special concern lists: H=Historical, EX=Extirpated, E=Endangered, T=Threatened, SC=Special Concern, ()=current status questioned.

⁴Federal Listing Status: FE= Federal Endangered, FT=Federal Threatened, FSC=Federal Special Concern, D=Federal Delisted

- ⁵ North American Waterfowl Management Plan priorities: CP=Continental Priority, BGI=Geographic Importance for Breeding Populations, BCN=Conservation Need for Breeding Populations, NGI=Geographic Importance for Nonbreeding Populations, NCN=Conservation Need for Nonbreeding Populations.
- ⁶ Partners In Flight priorities: Tier I=High Continental Importance, Tier IIA=High Regional Priority, Tier IIB=High Regional Responsibility, Tier IIC=High Regional Threats, M=Focal Species Targeted for Monitoring by Northeast Partners in Flight Working Group.
- ⁷ Shorebird priorities: NA=North Atlantic Region, ME=Maine, Priority 5=Highly Imperiled Species, Priority 4=Species of High Concern, Priority 3=Species of Moderate Concern.
- ⁸ Northeast Wildlife Diversity Technical Committee Species of Regional Conservation Concern - Rationale for Listing: R=Declining population or high risk of extirpation from northeast, D=Lack of data with suspicion of risk of disappearing from region, A=Northeast comprises significant portion of species' global range, S=Special cases, Note: **=also warrants federal listing consideration.
- ⁹ Recommended by Bird Group staff: BA= Brad Allen, LT=Lindsay Tudor, AW=Andy Weik, TH= Tom Hodgman. Note: TH1 – Prolonged declines: species exhibiting significant ($P \leq 0.10$, $n \geq 14$) long-term (since 1966) and short-term (since 1980) population declines according to the North American Breeding Bird Survey (BBS), TH2 – Declining species: species exhibiting significant ($P \leq 0.10$, $n \geq 14$) long-term (since 1966) or short-term (since 1980) population declines according to the BBS, TH3 – Trend unknown: species distribution too sparse or irregular for effective monitoring using current methods, TH4 – Status unclear: Species distribution or breeding status in Maine is uncertain or poorly documented.