



Nebraska's Endangered & Threatened Species Update

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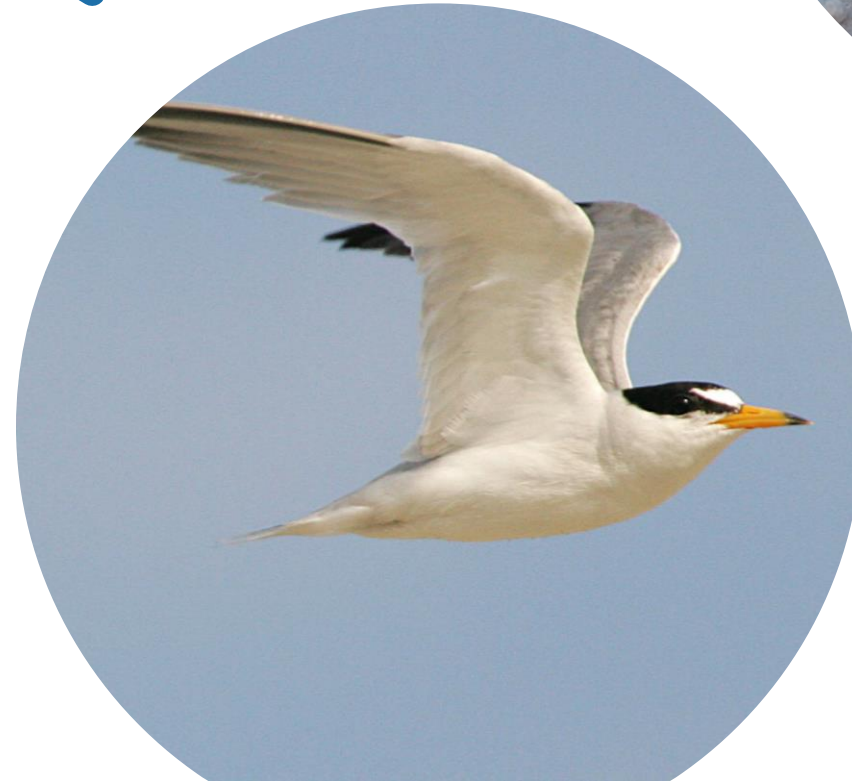


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Overview

- NESCA
- Upcoming Listings
- Listed Bats
- Statute and Regs Update
- CERT



Nongame and Endangered Species Conservation Act (NESCA)

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 37-801 to 37-814

- NGPC regulatory authority to protect species and maintain and enhance populations
- State agencies required to use their authorities for protection of listed species



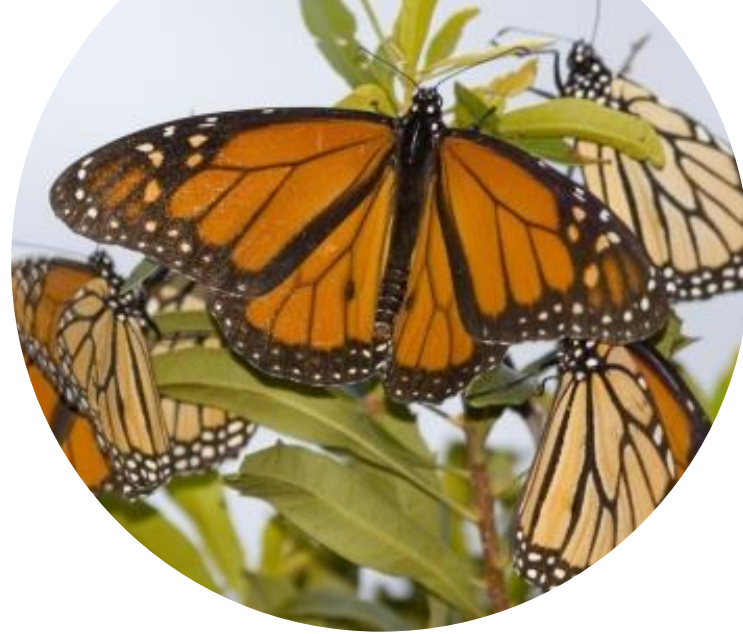
Nongame and Endangered Species Conservation Act (NESCA)

- What species are listed as threatened and endangered?
- All federally listed species are state listed, but not vice versa!
- Protect from “Take”



Upcoming Listings

- Regal Fritillary
- Tri-colored Bat
- Monarch Butterfly



Upcoming Listings -Regal Fritillary

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Northern Long-eared Bat (NLEB) & Tri-Colored Bat (TCB)

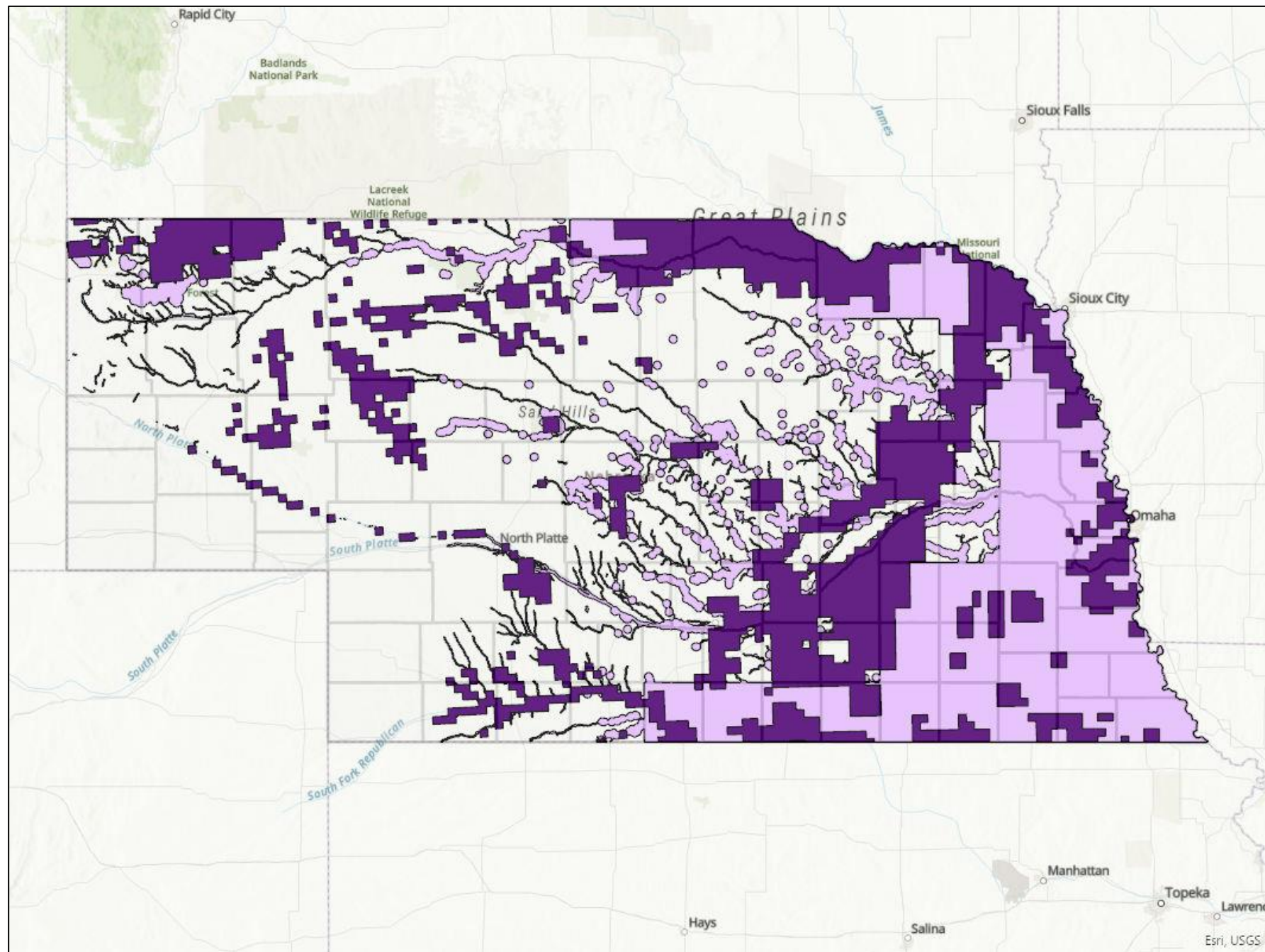
- Avoidance dates
 - **May 15 – July 31**
- Range in Nebraska
 - NGPC vs. USFWS
 - NLEB vs. TCB



NLEB Range Maps

Dark Purple – USFWS

Light Purple - NGPC



NESCA Statute Change

Statute change went into effect in July 2024

- State-designated “Critical Habitat”
- Incidental Take Statement
- Exempted Existing Transportation Infrastructure



NESCA Regulations Update

- Add Critical Habitat List
- Add Incidental Take
- Update Consultation Process
- Add CERT & Environmental Review Reports



Conservation and Environmental Review Tool (CERT)

1. Create a Project
2. Review your CERT Report
 - i. Overall Results – 1 of 3 Results
 - ii. Sign and Date Certification
3. Upload a copy of your CERT Report
4. If needed, contact NGPC
 - i. Review your Overall Result!



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Questions?

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