New Mexico Ecological Services Field Office

Listed and Sensitive Species in Lea County

Total number of species: 12

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Common Name	Scientific Name	Group	Status
Lesser prairie-chicken	Tympanuchus pallidicinctus	*Bird*	*Candidate*
Sand dune lizard	Sceloporus arenicolus	*Reptile*	*Candidate*
Northern aplomado falcon	Falco femoralis septentrionalis	*Bird*	*Endangered*
Black-footed ferret [2]	Mustela nigripes	*Mammal*	*Endangered*

Species of Concern

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American peregrine falcon	Falco peregrinus anatum	*Bird*	*Species of Concern*
Arctic peregrine falcon	Falco peregrinus tundrius	*Bird*	*Species of Concern*
Baird's sparrow	Ammodramus bairdii	*Bird*	*Species of Concern*
Bell's vireo	Vireo bellii	*Bird*	*Species of Concern*
Western burrowing owl	Athene cunicularia hypugaea	*Bird*	*Species of Concern*
Yellow-billed cuckoo	Coccyzus americanus	*Bird*	*Species of Concern*
Black-tailed prairie dog	Cynomys ludovicianus	*Mammal*	*Species of Concern*
Swift fox	Vulpes velox	*Mammal*	*Species of Concern*

Endangered	*Any species which is in danger of extinction throughout all or a significant portion of its range.*	**Threatened**	*Any species which is likely to become an endangered species within the foreseeable future throughout all or a significant portion of its range.*
Candidate	*Candidate Species (taxa for which the Service has sufficient information to*	**Proposed**	*Any species of fish, wildlife or plant that is proposed in the Federal Register to be*

	propose that they be added to list of endangered and threatened species, but the listing action has been precluded by other higher priority listing activities).	*listed under section 4 of the Act. This could be either proposed for endangered or threatened status.*
Species of Concern	*Taxa for which further biological research and field study are needed to resolve their conservation status OR are considered sensitive, rare, or declining on lists maintained by Natural Heritage Programs, State wildlife agencies, other Federal agencies, or professional/academic scientific societies. Species of Concern are included for planning purposes only.*	

Foot Notes:

D *Designated Critical Habitat.*

P *Proposed Critical Habitat.*

1 *Introduced population.*

3 *Extirpated in this county.*

2 *Survey should be conducted if project involves impacts to prairie dog towns or complexes of 200-acres or more for the Gunnison's prairie dog (*Cynomys gunnisoni*) and/or 80-acres or more for any subspecies of Black-tailed prairie dog (*Cynomys ludovicianus*). A complex consists of two or more neighboring prairie dog towns within 4.3 miles (7 kilometers) of each other.*