

CENTRAL ROCKIES

NEBRASKA SAND HILLS ECOREGION

G1 and G2 Species Habitat Management Guidelines



INTRODUCTION

The Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (SFI) [2022 Standards](#) include requirements that promote and conserve Forests with Exceptional Conservation Value (FECV), which includes critically imperiled (G1) and imperiled (G2) species. This fact sheet summarizes the analysis of FECV habitat within this ecoregion and provides habitat management recommendations that would benefit species potentially found here.

HABITAT TYPES

- Mixed Conifer Forest
- Riparian

MIXED CONIFER FOREST MANAGEMENT

- Protect known locations
- Retain legacy trees, stumps, and logs
- Retain large diameter trees with cavities or broken tops
- Leave skips and gaps with dense shrub component
- Retain large slash into piles

RIPARIAN MANAGEMENT

- Protect known locations
- Maintain well vegetated riparian buffers
- Plant a diversity of both hardwood and conifer trees
- Retain large diameter trees near streams and rivers
- Buffer streams, wetlands, springs, and headwater areas



Northern Long-eared Bat



Potassium Loving Fairy Shrimp

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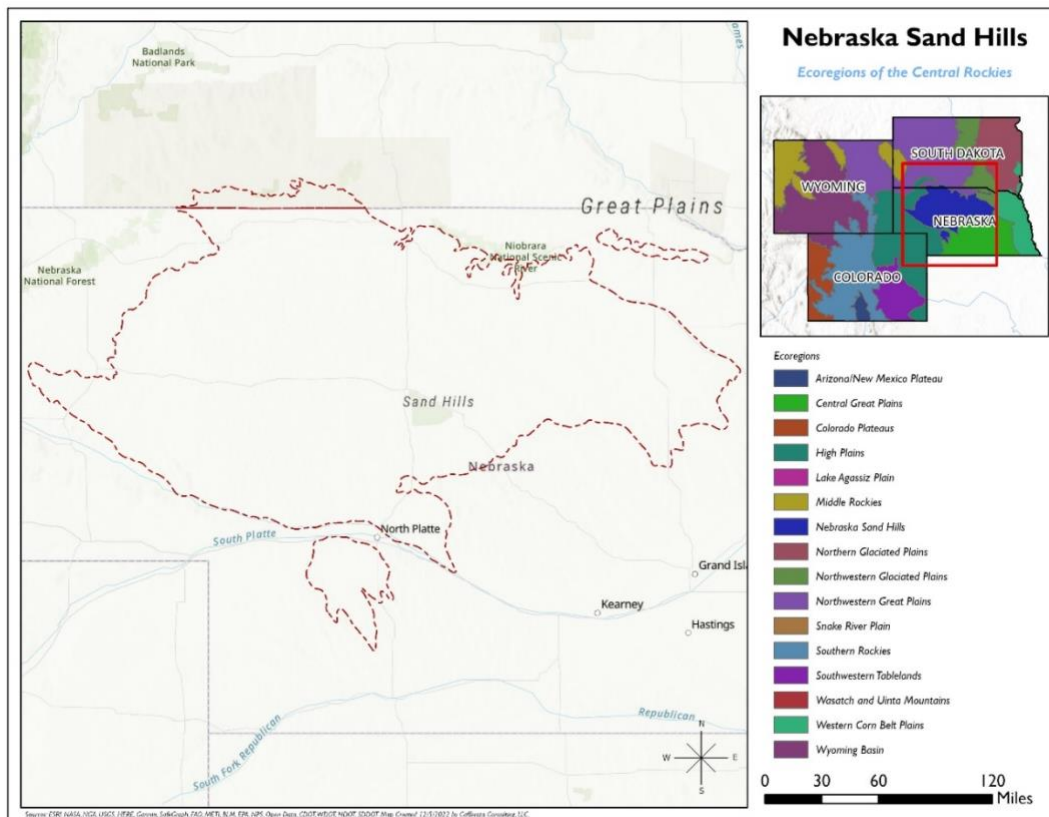
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SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	HABITAT	STATUS
<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>	Northern Long-eared Bat	Mixed Conifer Forest	G2G3
<i>Branchinecta potassa</i>	Potassium Loving Fairy Shrimp	Riparian	G2

*Species links provided when available



All management recommendations assume that operators and land managers are following all applicable BMPs, laws, and regulations.