

What is the Natural Heritage Program?

It's Montana's best source for information on our state's animals, plants & habitats, emphasizing those of conservation concern. This information is critical to land managers, planners, agriculture, research, education and recreation. Created by the Legislature in 1983, the Natural Heritage Program is a partnership of the Montana State Library and the University of Montana.

Web resources include:

- Montana Field Guide – an on-line encyclopedia of Montana's animals and plants, with images, descriptions and sounds;
- Natural Heritage Tracker – powerful mapping tools to track animal and plant distributions throughout Montana;
- Land Stewardship maps - show public & conservation lands;
- Access to NatureServe Explorer – with information on species and habitats for all of North America;
- Publications - over 100 survey, species and ecology reports.

Other services:

- Expert scientists to ensure accuracy of information;
- Quick, friendly responses to data requests and user support.



Stewardship Maps show public and other conservation lands.



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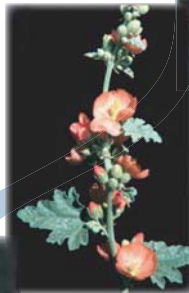


*Your Source for Information
about Montana's Animals,
Plants, and Habitats*

Montana Field Guide

The Montana Field Guide provides a wealth of information on Montana's plants and animals, including:

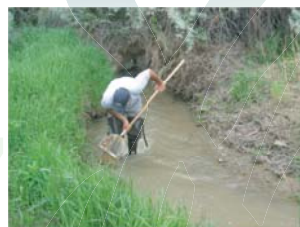
- Identification: descriptions, photos and calls;
- Status and range;
- Habitat and management;
- Links & references for more information.



Publications About Montana

Visit mtnhp.org to view and download over 100 reports on Montana's biological resources, including:

- Species of Concern reports;
- Biological surveys;
- Ecological mapping and assessment;
- Aquatic ecosystem studies.

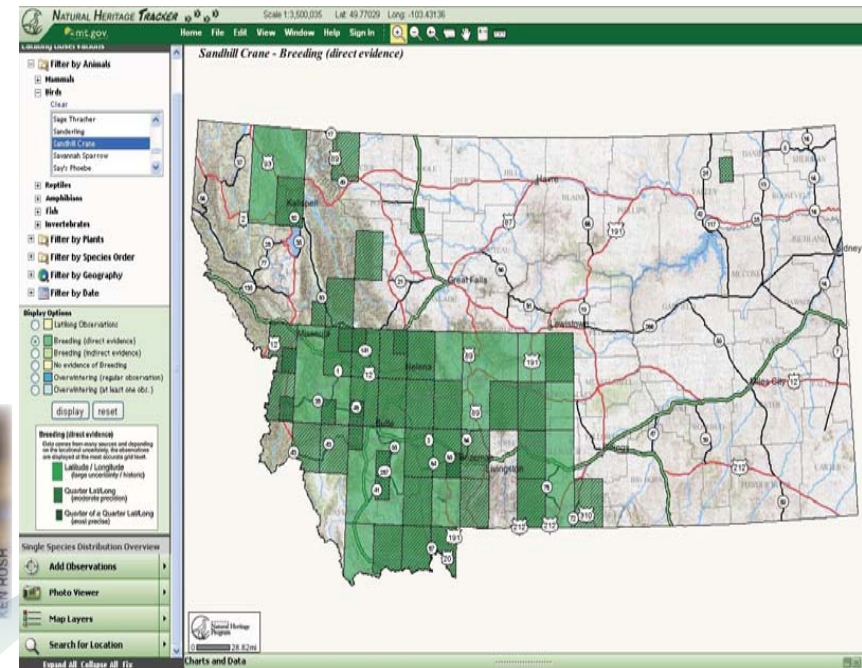


NATURAL HERITAGE TRACKER

The Natural Heritage Tracker offers powerful access to statewide distribution maps for animals and rare plants, directly from the NHP databases.

You can also:

- Report and keep track of your observations;
- View photos of over 1000 habitats across the state;
- View a variety of base maps, including state highways, the latest airphotos, public land ownership, topographic and shaded relief maps.



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these resources and more!**