Appendix 18. Habitat Preferences for SGCN

Appendix Table 18-1. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Amphibians

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution
1	Great Plains Toad	Anaxyrus cognatus	Grasslands & Savanna	Western border Loess Hills
2	Crawfish Frog	Lithobates areolatus	Prairies, pastures, occasionally floodplains	Five southeastern counties
3	Plains Spadefoot	Spea bombifrons	Grassland	Western border
4	Blue-spotted Salamander	Ambystoma laterale	Forested - wooded wetlands	Cedar River Basin - Linn & Blackhawk Counties
5	Smallmouth Salamander	Ambystoma texanum	Woodlands, wetlands	Southern 1/3
6	Tiger Salamander	Ambystoma tigrinum	All aquatic habitat types, esp. lentic wetlands	Statewide
7	Mudpuppy	Necturus maculosus	Rivers, streams	Mississippi, Cedar, Wapsipinicon, Des Moines, Skunk, Raccoon, Boone, Shell Rock, Upper Iowa Rivers
8	Eastern Newt	Notophthalmus viridescens	Woodland wetlands	Cedar and Wapsipinicon Basins

Appendix Table 18-2. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Reptiles

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution
1	Slender Glass Lizard	Ophisaurus attenuatus	Prairie, pastures, woodland edge, savanna	South
2	Common Five-lined Skink	Plestiodon fasciatus	Deciduous forests along blufflands of Mississippi & large eastern lowa rivers	East
3	Great Plains Skink	Plestiodon obsoletus	Loess Hills/prairie	Three counties along southwest border
4	Prairie Skink	Plestiodon septentrionalis	Grasslands with loose soil and rocky areas adjacent to marshes or lakes	West and Central
5	Six-Lined Racerunner	Aspidocelis sexlineatus	Sand/loess prairie, savanna	East and Southwest
6	Western Worm Snake	Carphophis vermis	Savanna & woodlands near rivers, creeks, or streams	Southern 1/3 (Records from 13 counties)
7	North American Racer	Coluber constrictor	Grasslands, wetlands, wooded edges	Southern ¾ and Northeast
8	Ring-necked Snake	Diadophis punctatus	Woodlands, savanna, and adjacent grasslands	Scattered throughout state except in north-central
9	Western Hog-nosed Snake	Heterodon nasicus	Shortgrass prairie with sandy/gravelly soils	Clinton, Muscatine, and Louisa Counties
10	Eastern Hog-nosed Snake	Heterodon platirhinos	Woodland, savanna, grassland	Eastern and western borders, and south
11	Prairie Kingsnake	Lampropeltis calligaster	Sand prairie, grasslands, savanna & woodland edge	Southern 1/3
12	Speckled Kingsnake	Lampropeltis holbrooki	Grasslands near lakes or large ponds, savanna	South-eastern 1/3 (Records from 15 counties)
13	Plain-bellied Watersnake	Nerodia erythrogaster	Mississippi River and associated backwaters and wet woodland	South-east near Mississippi River (Scott, Muscatine, Louisa counties)
14	Diamond-backed Watersnake	Nerodia rhombifer	Rivers, ponds, backwaters, oxbows	Southeast (records from 6 counties)

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution
15	Smooth Greensnake	Opheodrys vernalis	Wet prairie and grasslands adjacent to lakes and impoundments, savanna	Scattered throughout the state
16	Gophersnake (Bullsnake)	Pituophus catenifer	Sand and bluff prairie, savanna, pasture	Statewide
17	Western Ratsnake	Pantherophus obsoletus	Heavily wooded blufflands along rivers	Mississippi River and south
18	Graham's Crayfish Snake	Regina grahamii	Ponds, sloughs, marshes, floodplains, creeks	South and central
19	Western Ribbonsnake	Thamnophis proximus	Herbaceous wetland, ponds, streams, rivers	Southern half
20	Lined snake	Tropidoclonion lineatum	Grassland, pasture, woodland edge	Northwest and south
21	Smooth Earthsnake	Virginia valeriae	Wet woodland in river valleys	Along Des Moines and Chariton Rivers in southeast and central
22	Eastern Copperhead	Agkistrodon contortrix	Forested, rocky hillsides	Des Moines, Lee, Van Buren and Davis counties
23	Timber Rattlesnake	Crotalus horridus	Forested areas with rock outcrops, esp. woodland, bluff prairie	Northeast, southeast, and Madison County
24	Prairie Rattlesnake	Crotalus viridis	Prairie	Plymouth County
25	Eastern Massasauga	Sistrurus catenatus	Prairie wetland close to rivers and adjacent upland prairie	Wapsipinicon and Iowa Rivers in east
26	Prairie (Western) Massasauga	Sistrurus turgeminus	Prairie wetland close to rivers and adjacent upland prairie	Mills County
27	North American Snapping Turtle	Chelydra serpentina	All aquatic habitat types, wetlands	Statewide
28	Blanding's Turtle	Emydoidea blandingii	Shallow, well-vegetated permanent wetlands & marshes	Statewide
29	Wood Turtle	Glyptemys insculpta	Floodplain forest, rivers, riparian savanna	North-central (only found in Eastern IA Drift Plains ecoregion)
30	Northern Map Turtle	Graptemys geographica	Rivers and streams	Eastern border
31	Ouachita Map Turtle	Graptemys ouachitensis	Mississippi River and associated oxbows	Mississippi River
32	False Map Turtle	Graptemys pseudogeographica	Slow portions of large rivers	Mississippi and Missouri Rivers (occasionally move west from Mississippi)
33	Ornate Box Turtle	Terrapene ornata	Sand/loess prairie, savanna	Records from 36 counties in East and southwest
34	Yellow Mud Turtle	Kinosternon flavescens	Shallow, ephemeral pools/herbaceous wetlands near sand soils	Southeast
35	Eastern Musk Turtle	Sternotherus odoratus	Herbaceous wetlands, backwaters, and spring fed ponds adjacent to sandy uplands	East
36	Smooth Softshell	Apalone mutica	Boundary rivers, large rivers in south	South

Appendix Table 18-3. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Breeding Birds

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution
1	American Wigeon	Mareca americana	Wetland	Statewide
2	American Black Duck	Anas rubripes	Wetlands, shallow lakes	
3	Northern Pintail	Anas acuta	Wetland, grassland	Northern half
4	Canvasback	Aythya valisineria	Wetland	Northwest and north- central
5	Lesser Scaup	Aythya affinis	Wetland, grassland	Statewide
6	Northern Bobwhite	Colinus virginianus	Grassland, shrubland	Southern 3/4
7	Ruffed Grouse	Bonasa umbellus	Open woodland, dense forest	Northeast, southeast, and south-central
8	Greater Prairie-Chicken	Tympanuchus cupido	Large, landscape-scale grassland	Southwest, south-central
9	Red-necked Grebe	Podiceps grisegena	Wetland, hemi-marsh	Scattered statewide except southwest
10	Western Grebe	Aechmophorus occidentalis	Large lakes & wetlands	
11	Black-billed Cuckoo	Coccyzus erythropthalmus	Forest, shrubland, open riparian woodland	Statewide
12	Common Nighthawk	Chordeiles minor	Grassland, savanna, bluffland with flat rock outcrops, nests primarily on flat pea-gravel roof-tops in larger towns and cities with rivers	Statewide
13	Chuck-will's-widow	Antrostomus carolinensis	Open woodland, savanna	Southern Iowa
14	Eastern Whip-poor-will	Antrostomus vociferus	Deciduous forest, open woodland with grass component	Statewide
15	Chimney Swift	Chaetura pelagica	Older growth forests, woodlands, savanna, towns	Statewide
16	King Rail	Rallus elegans	Sedge meadow, wetland	East and Prairie Pothole Region
17	Black-necked Stilt	Himantopus mexicanus	Shallow wetlands, mudflats	
18	Piping Plover	Charadrius melodus	Rivers, sandbars	Missouri River
19	Wilson's Snipe	Gallinago delicata	Hemi-marsh, rivers	Statewide
20	Wilson's Phalarope	Phalaropus tricolor	Wetland, grassland	Northern half
21	Franklin's Gull	Leucophaeus pipixcan	Wetland	Prairie Pothole Region
22	Least Tern	Sterna antillarum	Wetland, rivers with sandbars	Missouri River
23	Black Tern	Chlidonias niger	Wetland	Statewide
24	Forster's Tern	Sterna forsteri	Permanent wetland, hemi- marsh	Prairie Pothole Region & Missouri River floodplain
25	American White Pelican	Pelecanus erythrorhynchos	Wetlands and lakes, riparian areas	Statewide
26	American Bittern	Botaurus lentiginosus	Wetland, grassland	Northern 2/3
27	Yellow-crowned Night Heron	Nyctanassa violacea	Wooded riparian wetlands	Scattered, along major rivers
28	Black-crowned Night Heron	Nycticorax nycticorax	Wetland, wet shrubland	Statewide, esp. in Prairie Pothole Region
29	White-faced Ibis	Plegadis chihi	Marsh	Prairie Pothole Region and Fremont County
30	Swainson's Hawk	Buteo swainsoni	Grassland, savannah, ag	Statewide except SE

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution
31	American Barn Owl	Tyto furcata	Savanna, prairie-grassland with trees	Statewide, primarily southern lowa
32	Eastern Screech-owl	Megascops asio	Riparian forest/ woodland, savanna, suburban areas	Statewide
33	Burrowing Owl	Athene cunicularia	Grassland	Statewide
34	Long-eared Owl	Asio otus	Open woodland, savanna, coniferous & deciduous forest	Statewide
35	Short-eared Owl	Asio flammeus	Very large grassland	Scattered statewide
36	American Kestrel	Falco calumbarius	Savanna, open woodland	Statewide
37	Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	Tyrannus forficatus	Savanna, open areas with patchy trees/shrubs	Scattered statewide
38	Say's Phoebe	Sayornis saya	Grassland	Nested in Sioux and Plymouth counties
39	Loggerhead Shrike	Lanius Iudovicianus	Grassland-shrub, savannas	Scattered statewide
40	Bank Swallow	Riparia riparia	Rivers and streams with cutbanks	Statewide
41	Purple Martin	Progne subis	Towns, parks, ponds	Statewide
42	Bewick's Wren	Thryomanes bewickii	Savanna, open woodland, shrubland	Southern Iowa, esp. Southeast
43	Veery	Catharus fuscescens	Shrubby riparian forest	Scattered statewide (less common in southwest)
44	Grasshopper Sparrow	Ammodramus savannarum	Short grassland	Statewide
45	Bobolink	Dolichonyx oryzivorus	Medium height grassland	Statewide
46	Western Meadowlark	Sturnella neglecta	Grassland	Statewide (most abundant in west)
47	Blue-winged Warbler	Vermivora cyanoptera	Open woodland, shrubland, thicket	
48	Cerulean Warbler	Setophaga cerulea	Large older-growth deciduous forest	Primarily in eastern IA and along Des Moines River in central IA

Appendix Table 18-4. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Non-Breeding Birds (habitat preferences listed are for migratory or wintering periods in Iowa rather than breeding ground habitat associations)

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution
1	Greater scaup	Aythya marila	Lakes, rivers, wetlands	Scattered statewide
2	Horned Grebe	Podiceps auritus	Lakes, ponds, rivers	
3	Yellow Rail	Coturnicops noveboracensis	Wetland, grassland	Scattered statewide
4	Black Rail	Laterallus jamaicensis	Marsh	East central, central, and northwest
5	Whooping Crane	Grus americana	Wetland, grassland	Northeast/north-central, southwest, and Polk County
6	Black-bellied Plover	Pluvialis squatarola	Wet prairie, shorelines, flooded fields	Scattered statewide
7	American Golden-Plover	Pluvialis dominica	Grasslands, mudflats, shorelines	Scattered statewide
8	Semipalmated Plover	Charadrius semipalmatus	Wetland	Statewide
9	Whimbrel	Numenius phaeopus	Wetland, shorelines, beaches	West, central, and three counties in east
10	Long-billed Curlew	Numenius americanus	Grassland-wetland	Western half and Jefferson County

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution	
11	Hudsonian Godwit	Limosa haemastica	Wetland, moderately vegetated marsh shorelines	Scattered statewide (less common in eastern ¼)	
12	Marbled Godwit	Limosa fedoa	Wetland, mudflats, beaches	Scattered statewide	
13	Ruddy Turnstone	Arenaria interpres	Grassland - wetland, shorelines	Scattered statewide (more common in north-central)	
14	Red Knot	Calidris canutus	Wetland, shorelines	Southern half and Kossuth and Dickinson Counties	
15	Stilt Sandpiper	Caladris himantopus	Wetland, shorelines	Scattered statewide	
16	Sanderling	Calidris alba	Wetland, shorelines	Scattered statewide	
17	Dunlin	Calidris alpina	Shallow edges of lakes, rivers and in wet, harvested fields	Scattered statewide	
18	White-rumped Sandpiper	Calidris fuscicollis	Wetland, shorelines	Scattered statewide	
19	Buff-breasted Sandpiper	Calidris subruficollis	Wetland and short grassland, shorelines	Scattered statewide	
20	Pectoral Sandpiper	Calidris melanotos	Wetland, grassland, shorelines	Statewide	
21	Short-billed Dowitcher	Limnodromus griseus	Marsh, shorelines	Scattered statewide	
22	Long-billed Dowitcher	Limnodromus scolopaceus	Marsh, shorelines	Scattered statewide	
23	Bonaparte's Gull	Chroicocephalus philadelphia	Variety of aquatic areas		
24	Herring Gull	Larus argentatus	Variety of aquatic areas		
25	Common Tern	Sterna hirundo	Shorelines		
26	Common Loon	Gavia immer	Clear, large, open water, lakes	Scattered statewide	
27	Olive-sided Flycatcher	Contopus cooperi	Coniferous forests, openings and edges	Statewide	
28	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	Empidonax flaviventris	Deciduous forests, thickets		
29	Philadelphia Vireo	Vireo philadelphicus	Early successional, thickets, riparian areas		
30	Northern Shrike	Lanius borealis	Patchy open areas with thickets, edges		
31	Bohemian Waxwing	Bombycilla garrulus	Coniferous or mixed forest	Scattered statewide	
32	Sprague's Pipit	Anthus spragueii	Grassland	Northwest, southwest, central	
33	Redpoll	Acanthis flammea			
34	White-winged Crossbill	Loxia leucoptera	Coniferous forest Scattered statewide (common in southwest corner)		
35	Lapland Longspur	Calcarius Iapponicus	Open areas, short grass		
36	Golden-winged Warbler	Vermivora chrysoptera			
37	Connecticut Warbler	Oporornis agilis			
38	Bay-breasted Warbler	Setophaga castanea	Forest/woodland	Scattered statewide	
39	Black-throated Blue Warbler	Setophaga caerulescens			

Appendix Table 18-5. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Mammals

	Appendix Table 18-5. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Mammals Common Name Scientific Name Habitat Preference Distribution							
	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution				
1	White-tailed Jackrabbit	Lepus townsendii	Short grasslands, hayfields, esp. cultivated areas	Historically nearly statewide, now in Central/north-central				
2	Franklin's Ground Squirrel	Spermophilus franklinii	Tallgrass prairie, savanna and roadsides	Statewide (all recent documentation in southern IA)				
3	Plains Pocket Gopher	Geomys bursarius	Open grassy areas with well-drained soil	Statewide				
4	Plains Pocket Mouse	Perognathus flavescens	Prairie, sand and loess	West (Loess Hills), disjunct in east				
5	Woodland Vole	Microtus pinetorum	Deciduous riparian forests with ground layer of leaf litter	Southern and eastern				
6	Southern Bog Lemming	Synaptomys cooperi	Moist grassland, sedge meadow, bog, woodland, shrubland	Probably statewide, primarily southern lowa				
7	Common Muskrat	Ondrata zibethicus	Wetland					
8	North American Least Shrew	Cryptotis parva	Woodland, savanna, grassland, riparian	Southern and eastern				
9	Prairie Shrew	Sorex haydeni	Grasslands, wetlands, riparian	West				
10	Little Brown Myotis	Myotis lucifigus	Woodland near waterways; readily rears young in buildings & bat houses	Statewide				
11	Northern Myotis (Northern Long-eared Bat)	Myotis septentrionalis	Forest, woodlands	Statewide				
12	Indiana myotis (Indiana Bat)	Myotis sodalis	Forest, upland and riparian	Southeast two-thirds				
13	Tricolored bat	Perimyotis subflavus	Woodland edge, riparian	East				
14	Plains spotted skunk	Spilogale interrupta	Oak savanna, grassland, open woodland, and farmsteads	Statewide historically (most recent documentation in Webster, Ringgold, Pole and Marion counties)				
15	Long-tailed Weasel	Mustela frenata	Generalist; found in all habitats near water	Statewide – sparse distribution				
16	Least Weasel	Mustela nivalis	Meadows, fields, shrubby areas, and open woodlands	Statewide – most common in northeast				
17	American ermine	Mustela ermine	Shrubby or woodland areas, usually near water	Northern half of state				
18	Northern gray fox	Urocyon cinereoargenteus	Mixed forests and open woodlands/savanna	Statewide, primarily in southern 1/3				

Appendix Table 18-6. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Fishes

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Substrate	Flow	Distribution
1	Chestnut Lamprey	Ichthyomyzon castaneus	Rivers	Sand, silt		Miss., Chariton
2	Lake Sturgeon	Acipenser fulvescens	Large rivers and lakes	Sand, gravel, rock		Miss.
3	Pallid Sturgeon	Scaphirhynchus albus	Large, turbid rivers	Gravel, sand	Fast	Mo.
4	Paddlefish	Polyodon spathula	Medium to large rivers, backwater, and impoundments		Slow	Miss., Mo., DM, Cedar, Iowa, Skunk

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Substrate	Flow	Distribution
5	Emerald Bowfin	Amia ocellicauda				Miss and some interior
6	American Eel	Anguilla rostrata	Rivers, large streams and lakes	Mud		Miss., Mo., and larger tributaries
7	Skipjack Herring	Alosa chrysochloris	Medium to large rivers and large impoundments	Sand and gravel		Miss., Mo.
8	Blue Sucker	Cycleptus elongatus	Large rivers	Sand, gravel, rock	Mod to fast	Miss., Mo., and large tributaries
9	Lake Chubsucker	Erimyzon sucetta	Heavily vegetated oxbows & sloughs of large rivers, backwaters	Sand, fine gravel	Slow	
10	Black Buffalo	Ictiobus niger	Backwaters, rivers, and impoundments	Gravel	Fast	Miss. and large tributaries
11	Spotted Sucker	Minytrema melanops	Small to medium rivers	Firm	Slow	Miss.
12	Silver Redhorse	Moxostoma anisurum	Lakes & rivers	Gravel, rock, sand	Mod to fast	Miss. and some interior streams
13	River Redhorse	Moxostoma carinatum	Large creeks and river with clear water	Gravel, rock		Upper pools of Miss.
14	Black Redhorse	Moxostoma duquesnei	Creeks and small to medium rivers	Gravel, Rock	Fast	Turkey, Upper Iowa, Cedar, Wapsi, drainages
15	Golden Redhorse	Moxostoma erythrurum	Small rivers, streams	Gravel, rock	Mod	Miss.
16	Pealip Redhorse	Moxostoma pisolabrum	Rivers			One record in Southern IA
17	Greater Redhorse	Moxostoma valenciennesi	Large rivers and lakes	Sand, gravel, rubble		Cedar, Shell Rock
18	River Shiner	Alburnops blennius				
19	Weed Shiner	Alburnops texanus	Vegetated rivers	Sand	Slow	Miss, eastern
20	Laregescale Stoneroller	Campostoma oligolepis	Medium to large clear streams	Gravel		Northeast 1/3
21	Southern Redbelly Dace	Chrosomus erythrogaster	Headwaters of small streams, cool water	Gravel		Northeast & Little Sioux
22	Gravel Chub	Erimystax x-punctatus	Large streams and rivers	Gravel		Northern ½
23	Western Silvery Minnow	Hybognathus argyritis	Backwater	Sand, muck		Mo. Drainage
24	Mississippi Silvery Minnow	Hybognathus nuchalis	Large, deep rivers		Mod	Eastern Miss. drainage
25	Plains Minnow	Hybognathus placitus	Streams, rivers	Silt	Slow	Mo. drainage
26	Pallid Shiner	Hybopsis amnis	Medium to large rivers	Sand, muck		Upper. Miss.
27	Redfin Shiner	Lythrurus umbratilis	Rivers, streams, and creeks w/ veg			Northeast ⅓
28	Sturgeon Chub	Macrhybopsis gelida	Warm, turbid rivers			Eastern half and Mo.
29	Shoal Chub	Macrhybopsis hyostoma	Rivers	Sand, cobble	Mod to fast	Large interior rivers statewide

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30	Sicklefin Chub	Macrhybopsis meeki	Large, turbid rivers	Gravel, sand		Mo.
31	Northern Pearl Dace	Margariscus nachtriebi	Ponds and small lakes	Sand, gravel		Worth County
32	Pugnose Shiner	Miniellus anogenus	Clear, vegetated lakes	Silt, sand, gravel		West Okoboji Lake
33	Ozark Minnow	Miniellus nubilus	Creeks and small to medium rivers	Gravel, rock	Fast	Northeast ¼
34	Topeka Shiner	Miniellus topeka	Oxbows, creeks, streams, and rivers with clear water	Sand	Slow	DM, Boone, Raccoon, Rock drainages
35	Blacknose Shiner	Notropis heterolepis	Creeks, small rivers and lakes with clear water	Sand		Northwest
36	Pugnose Minnow	Opsopoeodus emiliae	Vegetated lakes, impoundments and streams		Slow	Miss.
37	Ghost Shiner	Paranotropis buchanani	Large creeks and small to medium rivers		Slow	Miss.
38	Mimic Shiner	Paranotropis volucellus	Clear rivers & streams	Firm, sand	Slow to Mod	Scattered
39	Suckermouth Minnow	Phenacobius mirabilis	Large creeks to small rivers	Gravel, sand, bedrock		Scattered
40	Flathead Chub	Platygobio gracilis	Turbid rivers & streams	Sand	Mod to fast	Mo. drainage
41	Longnose Dace	Rhinichthys cataractae	Clear, small to medium rivers	Gravel, rock	Fast	Northeast corner
42	Brown Bullhead	Ameiurus nebulosus	Ponds, lakes, backwaters, impoundments, and streams		Slow	Northern 1/3
43	Tadpole Madtom	Noturus gyrinus	Vegetated lakes, impoundments, backwaters, creeks, and rivers	Muck	Slow	Statewide
44	Redfin Pickerel	Esox americanus	Vegetated backwaters, ponds, and small lakes		Slow	Miss. and tributaries
45	Northern Pike	Esox lucius	Natural lakes, large rivers		Slow	Northern ½, Miss.
46	Central Mudminnow	Umbra limi	Vegetated streams and backwaters		Slow	Northern 1/3
47	Trout-perch	Percopsis omiscomaycus	Streams and rivers	Sand		Northwest ¼, Miss., Grand, Chariton
48	Brook Silverside	Labidesthes sicculus	Clear, warm backwaters and oxbows, sparsely vegetated	Sand, gravel, muck	Slow to mod	East
49	Banded Killifish	Fundulus diaphanus	Lakes, ponds, streams		Slow	Natural lakes in northwest Mo.
50	Starhead Topminnow	Fundulus dispar	Creeks and backwaters	Muck	None	Little Sioux and lowa
51	Plains Topminnow	Fundulus sciadicus	Creeks, streams, and backwaters		Mod	Rock River basin
52	Warmouth	Lepomis gulosus	Lakes & ponds, with dense aquatic veg	Silt-free	Slow to none	Eastern Iowa

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53	Northern Sunfish	Lepomis peltastes				
54	Mottled Sculpin	Cottus bairdii	Clear, cool, creeks and small rivers	Sand, gravel, rock		Lower Bear Creek
55	Slimy Sculpin	Cottus cognatus	Cold streams	Rock	Fast	Northeast corner
56	Western Sand Darter	Ammocrypta clara	Medium to large rivers	Sand	Slow to mod	Miss.
57	Crystal Darter	Crystallaria asprella	Small to medium rivers	Sand, gravel		Miss., Turkey
58	Mud Darter	Etheostoma asprigene	Backwaters and rivers	Sand, muck	Slow	Miss. and tributaries
59	Rainbow Darter	Etheostoma caeruleum	Streams & small rivers	Coarse gravel	Mod	Cedar River basin
60	Bluntnose Darter	Etheostoma chlorosoma	Small to medium rivers, creeks, and backwaters	Sand, muck	Slow	Miss.
61	Iowa Darter	Etheostoma exile	Cool creeks, ponds, and lakes	Muck, sand	None or slow	Northern ½
62	Least Darter	Etheostoma microperca	Vegetated creeks		Slow	Maquoketa, tributaries to Otter Creek
63	Orangethroat Darter	Etheostoma spectabile	Creeks and small rivers	Sand, cobble, gravel, bedrock	Modera te to fast	Southeast ¼
64	Blackside Darter	Percina maculata	Creeks, and small to medium rivers	Sand, gravel	Slow	Northern 2/3
65	River Darter	Percina shumardi	Large rivers	Gravel, rock	Fast	Miss.

Appendix Table 18-7. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Mussels

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Substrate	Flow	Distribution
1	Mucket	Actinonaias ligamentina	Medium to large rivers	Firm gravel		Cedar River
2	Elktoe	Alasmidonta marginata	Medium streams	Sand, grave	Mod	Northeast ¾
3	Slippershell	Alasmidonta viridis	Creeks, streams	Sand, muck		East
4	Three ridge	Amblema plicata	Small to large rivers and lakes	Gravel, sand, mud		Miss. and Iowa Rivers
5	Cylinder (Cylindrical papershell)	Anodontoides ferussacianus	Small creeks	Sand, muck		North-central
6	Rock pocketbook	Arcidens confragosus	Medium to large rivers	Sand, muck		Miss. River
7	Spectaclecase	Cumberlandia monodonta	Large rivers	Sand, muck	Fast	Miss. River
8	Wartyback	Cyclonaias nodulata	Large rivers	Sand, gravel		Miss. & Skunk River
9	Pimpleback	Cyclonaias pustulosa	Small streams to large rivers			Scattered
10	Purple wartyback	Cyclonaias tuberculata	Medium to large rivers	Gravel		Southeast
11	Butterfly	Ellipsaria lineolata	Large rivers	Sand, gravel		Miss. and Cedar Rivers

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Substrate	Flow	Distribution
12	Elephant ear	Elliptio crassidens	Large rivers	Mud, sand, gravel		Upper Cedar and Miss. Rivers
13	Snuffbox	Epioblasma triquetra	Medium to large rivers	Gravel		
14	Spike	Eurynia dilatata	Streams and lakes	Firm, sand, gravel		Northeast ¾
15	Wabash pigtoe	Fusconaia flava	Creeks to large rivers	Gravel, sand		Scattered statewide
16	Higgins' eye pearlymussel	Lampsilis higginsi	Large rivers	Gravel, sand		Miss. River
17	Canary kingshell	Lampsilis sietmani				
18	Fatmucket	Lampsilis siliquoidea	Small streams to large rivers, lakes, reservoirs			Miss., Cedar, Shell Rock, & D.M. Rivers
19	Yellow sandshell	Lampsilis teres anondontoides	Medium to large rivers	Sand, gravel		Northeast 2/3
20	White heelsplitter	Lasmigona camplanata	Medium to large rivers	Mud, mud- gravel		
21	Creek heelsplitter	Lasmigona compressa	Creeks, streams	Sand, gravel		Northeast 2/3
22	Flutedshell	Lasmigona costata	Medium to large rivers	Sand, gravel, muck		Northeast ¾
23	Black sandshell	Ligumia recta	Medium to large rivers	Gravel, firm sand		
24	Washboard	Megalonaias nervosa	Large rivers	Gravel, gravel- mud	Fast	Miss. River
25	Threehorn wartyback	Obliquaria reflexa	Medium to large rivers	Gravel		Skunk, Iowa, DM River
26	Hickorynut	Obovaria olivaria	Large rivers	Sand, gravel		Miss. & Iowa Rivers
27	Sheepnose	Plethobasus cyphyus	Medium to large rivers	Sand, gravel		Miss. and DM Rivers
28	Round pigtoe	Pleurobema sintoxia	Streams and rivers	Firm, sand, gravel		Northeast ¾
29	Pink heelsplitter	Potamilus alatus	Medium to large rivers			Cedar, Iowa Rivers
30	Fat pocketbook	Potamilus capax				
31	Scaleshell	Potamilus leptodon				
32	Lake floater	Pyganodon lacustris				
33	Winged mapleleaf	Quadrula fragosa				
34	Mapleleaf	Quadrula quadrula	Medium to large rivers	Gravel, sand		
35	Ebonyshell	Reginaia ebena				
36	Pondmussel	Saggitunio subrostratus				
37	Salamander mussel	Simpsonaias ambigua				
38	Monkeyface	Theliderma metanevra	Medium to large rivers	Gravel		Eastern 2/3
39	Gulf mapleleaf	Tritogonia nobilis				

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40	Pistolgrip	Tritogonia verrucosa	Medium to large rivers	Sand, gravel, muck		Miss., Iowa, and DM Rivers
41	Fawnsfoot	Truncilla donaciformis	Medium to large rivers	Sand, gravel		East
42	Deertoe	Truncilla truncata	Medium streams to large rivers	Mud, gravel, sand		Skunk, Wapsi, Little Sioux
43	Pondhorn	Uniomerus tetralasmus	Ponds, creeks, streams, rivers	Muck, sand		South-central
44	Flat floater	Utterbackiana suborbiculata				
45	Ellipse	Venustaconcha ellipsiformis	Small to medium streams	Sand, gravel		Eastern 2/3

Appendix Table 18-8. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Terrestrial Snails

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat	Distribution
1	Midwest Pleistocene Vertigo	Vertigo arthuri	Forest, algific slopes	NE
2	Bluff Vertigo	Vertigo meramecensis	Mesic, shaded cliffs	NE & possibly other areas
3	Iowa Pleistocene Snail	Discus macclintocki	Forested algific slopes	NE

Appendix Table 18-9. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Bumble Bees

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution
1	Rusty Patched Bumble Bee	Bombus affinis	Close to or within woodland, urban parks and gardens	NE & Central Iowa
2	Black and Gold Bumble Bee	Bombus auricomus	Open farmlands and fields	WC and far NE, and scattered NE, EC, & SE
3	Ashton's Cuckoo Bumble Bee	Bombus bohemicus	Close to or within woodland, urban parks and gardens	Isolated C & NE
4	Northern Amber Bumble Bee	Bombus borealis	Close to or within wooded areas	Far NE Iowa
5	Lemon Cuckoo Bumble Bee	Bombus citrinus	Close to or within wooded areas	Far NE and Scattered C & NW
6	Yellow Bumble Bee	Bombus fervidus	Open grassland, farmland, urban parks and gardens	NE, scattered EC, and isolated C
7	Southern Plains Bumble Bee	Bombus fraternus	Grasslands, urban gardens	W and scattered SC & EC
8	American Bumble Bee	Bombus pensylvanicus	Open farmlands and fields	Statewide
9	Red-belted Bumble Bee	Bombus rufocinctus	Close to or within wooded areas, urban parks and gardens	Far NE and isolated EC
10	Tri-colored Bumble Bee	Bombus ternarius	Close to or within woodland, wetlands	Far NE
11	Half-black Bumble Bee	Bombus vagans	Wide variety, incl. forests, wetlands, urban parks and gardens	Far NE and scattered NE, NW, WC, C & SE
12	Variable Cuckoo Bumble Bee	Bombus variabilis	Relies on <i>B. pensylvanicus</i>	Scattered historic records

Appendix Table 18-10. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Butterflies

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution
1	Southern Cloudywing	Cecropterus bathyllus	Xeric prairie	Scattered statewide except far north and north-central
2	Hayhurst's Scallopwing	Staphylus hayhurstii	Floodplain and Loess Hills forests	Scattered within southern half
3	Dreamy Duskywing	Erynnis icelus	Woodland or edge	Allamakee County
4	Mottled Duskywing	Gesta martialis	Xeric prairie	Scattered (more common in west)
5	Columbine Duskywing	Gesta lucilius	Rocky, wooded ravines	Eastern ¼
6	Dion Skipper	Euphyes dion	Sedge wetlands	Statewide
7	Two-spotted Skipper	Euphyes bimacula	Sedge meadows and marshes	Scattered
8	Arogos Skipper	Atrytone arogos	Prairies and grasslands	Western half
9	Byssus Skipper	Atrytone byssus	Tallgrass prairie	Southern half
10	Crossline Skipper	Limochores origenes	Xeric prairie	Scattered
11a	Leonard's Skipper	Hesperia leonardus leonardus	Xeric prairie	Southern Loess Hills and Driftless Area
11b	Leonard's Pawnee Skipper	Hesperia leonardus pawnee	Xeric prairie	Loess Hills
12	Ottoe Skipper	Hesperia ottoe	Xeric prairie	Loess Hills and northeast
13	Dakota Skipper (extirpated)	Hesperia dacotae	Prairie	Historically in Dickinson County
14	Mulberry Wing	Poanes massasoit	Wetlands, fens	Northwest ¼
15	Broad-winged Skipper	Poanes viator	Wetlands, fens	North-central
16	Dusted Skipper	Atrytonopsis hianna	Bluestem grasslands and oldfields	Loess Hills, Dickinson, Palo Alto, Allamakee, and Jackson
17	Pepper and Salt Skipper	Amblyscirtes hegon	Woodland edge and grass waterways	Northeast and Southeast corners
18	Swarthy skipper	Nastra lherminier		Southern Iowa, Stray
19	Poweshiek Skipper (extirpated)	Oarisma poweshiek	High quality tallgrass prairie	Northern ¼
20	Olympia Marble	Euchloe Olympia	Open woodland, river bluffs, areas of poor soil, and grasslands	Western 1/3 and far eastern
21	Edward's Hairstreak	Satyrium edwardsii	Woodlands, clearings, and areas of poor soil	Scattered statewide except north-central
22	Acadian Hairstreak	Satyrium acadica	Riparian areas, woodlands, prairies	Scattered
23	Silvery Blue	Glaucopsyche lygdamus	Prairie, open fields, and woodland openings	Northern half and Lee County
24	Monarch	Danaus plexippus	Open habitat and disturbed areas	Statewide
25	Silver-bordered Fritillary	Boloria myrina	Fens, wet prairie, and meadows	Northeast ¼ and northwest corner
26	Regal Fritillary	Argynnis idalia	Prairie and open grassland	Statewide
27	Aphrodite Fritillary	Argynnis aphrodite	High quality prairie, wetlands, and fens	Scattered (more common in northern half)
28	Milbert's Tortoiseshell	Aglais milberti	Wet areas, woodland edges	Northeast Iowa
29	Compton Tortoiseshell	Nymphalis l-album	Large tracts of forest	Eastern half and Pocahontas County
30a	Baltimore Checkerspot	Euphydryas phaeton	Wetlands, fens, and bogs	Eastern half

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30b	Baltimore Checkerspot 'Ozark'	Euphydryas phaeton ozarkae	Dry woodlands	Lee and Henry Counties
31	Eyed Brown	Lethe eurydice	Fens, wet prairies, and marshes	Northern 2/3

Appendix Table 18-11. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Moths

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution
1	Eastern buckmoth	Hemileuca maia	Loess Hills Prairie	WC in Loess Hills, Monona Co
2	A grass miner moth	Agonopterix lythrella	Unknown, Hostplant St. John's Wort?	EC, Linn Co
3	Early leadplant leaf-twirler moth	Anacampsis wikeri	Prairie	Allamakee County
4	Marbleseed leafminer	Acrocercops pnosmodiella	Prairie	NE (Allamakee)
5	Abbreviated underwing	Catocala abbreviatella	Prairie	WC (Woodbury Co), NE (Allamakee)
6	Whitney's underwing	Catocala whitneyi	Prairie	WC (Woodbury & Pottawattamie Co), NC (Kossuth Co), NE (Howard Co)
7	A noctuid moth	Bagisara gulnare	Floodplain forest, native gardens	C (Story Co)
8	Grote's black-tipped quaker	Dichagyris grotei	Xeric/Sand Prairie	Statewide Scattered
9	Red sedge borer moth	Globia laeta	Wetland	NC (Kossuth Co)
10	The starry campion moth	Hadena ectypa	Where native or introduced Starry Campion found	Statewide Scattered
11	Fingered lemmeria moth	Lemmeria digitalis	Prairie; Where Sedges occur	Statewide Scattered
12	Franclemont's lithophane	Lithophane franclemonti	Driftless Area dry oak woodland and prairie	NE (Allamakee Co)
13	Newman's brocade	Meropleon ambifusca	Fens, Marshes, Prairie, Woodland Openings	Statewide Scattered
14	Blazing star stem borer	Papaipema beeriana	Prairie	NW
15	Golden borer moth	Papaipema cerina	Woodland	Eastern
16	Rattlesnake-master borer moth	Papaipema eryngii	Prairie	No listed records
17	Eupatorium borer moth	Papaipema eupatorii	Wet prairie or riparian areas	NW
18	Ash tip borer moth	Papaipema furcata	Associated with ash (host plant)	Statewide
19	Turtle head borer moth	Papaipema nepheleptena	Wetland/Fen (host turtle head)	Eastern Half Scattered
20	Culvers root borer moth	Papaipema sciata	Wet-mesic Prairie (host culver's root)	Eastern Half Scattered
21	Silphium borer moth	Papaipema silphii	Prairie	Eastern Half Scattered
22	None	Plagiomimicus heitzmani	Prairie	Eastern Half, Scattered
23	Bina flower moth	Schinia bina	Prairie	C (Polk & Jasper Co)
24	Leadplant flower moth	Schinia lucens	Prairie	Northern
25	Bleeding flower moth	Schinia sanguinea	Prairie (host <i>Liatris</i>)	Possibly Statewide Scattered
26	Northern flower moth	Schinia septentrionalis	Prairie (host Asters)	Statewide, Scattered
27	Marked noctuid	Tricholita notata	Prairie (host Solidago)	Statewide Scattered

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28	A prairie sedge moth	Neodactria murellus	Unknown	C, EC
29	Sand dune panic grass moth	Coenochroa bipunctella	Sand Prairie	EC (Linn Co)
30	An aethes moth	Aethes patricia	Prairie	NE (Winneshiek Co)
31	A tortricid moth	Ancylis semiovana	Prairie	Statewide Scattered
32	Two-lined eucosma	Eucosma bilineana	Prairie	Statewide Scattered

Appendix Table 18-12. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Dragonflies and Damselflies

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution
1	Sweetflag Spreadwing	Lestes forcipatus	Ponds and lakes with emergent vegetation	Scattered localities across northern, eastern, and southern, lowa
2	Eastern Red Damsel	Amphiagrion saucium		
3	Paiute Dancer	Argia alberta	Small streams, marshy springs	Western 1/3 and Polk County
4	Prairie Bluet	Coenagrion angulatum	Prairie lakes, ponds, sloughs, and slow streams with much vegetation	Northwest 1/4 into central
5	Taiga Bluet	Coenagrion resolutum	Ponds and wetlands	Northern 2/3
6	Boreal Bluet	Enallagma boreale	Fishless ponds, lakes, and slow flow streams	Northeast of line from Dickinson to Muscatine Counties
7	Alkali Bluet	Enallagma clausum	Ponds and lakes	Western side of northern border and Dallas County
8	Western Forktail	Ischnura perparva	Heavily vegetated ponds, lakes, and slow flow streams with mud substrate	Sac County
9	Skillet Clubtail	Gomphurus ventricosus		
10	Sioux Snaketail	Ophiogomphus smithi	Sand bottomed streams with gravel beds	Northeast ¼
11	Westfall's Snaketail	Ophiogomphus westfalli	Clear forest streams with strong riffles and cobble substrate	Hamilton County
12	Rapids Clubtail	Phanogomphus quadricolor	Rocky creeks and rivers with mud for nymphs	Fayette and Winneshiek Counties
13	Brimstone Clubtail	Stylurus intricatus	Strong-flowing, open streams and rivers	Audubon, Page, and Woodbury County
14	Arrow Clubtail	Stylurus spiniceps	Rivers with sandy substrate	Bremer and Clayton Counties
15	Racket-tailed Emerald	Dorocordulia libera		
16	Stygian Shadowdragon	Neurocordulia yamaskanensis	Mississippi River	Allamakee and Clayton Counties
17	Plains Emerald	Somatochlora ensigera	Prairie Streams	Northwest ¼ and Winneshiek and Delaware Counties
18	Mocha Emerald	Somatochlora linearis		
19	Carolina Saddlebags	Tramea carolina	Marsh	Mahaska county

Appendix Table 18-13. Habitat Preferences of SGCN Crayfish

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Preference	Distribution
1	Golden Crayfish	Faxonius luteus	Rivers, streams, creeks	
2	Northern Clearwater Crayfish	Faxonius propinquus	Cool water streams	
3	Great Plains Mudbug	Lacunicambarus nebrascensis	Streams, creeks	
4	Prairie Crayfish	Procambarus gracilis	Grasslands	