

Fish and Game's Habitat Conservation Planning Branch's Web page at <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hcpb/species/species.shtml> contains a Sensitive Species section with links to species accounts for rare, threatened, and endangered species, "fully protected species," and Species of Special Concern.

Species of Special Concern Reports for fishes, birds, mammals, and reptiles and amphibians, and a pdf version of The Status of Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Animals and Plants of California—Annual Report for 2000 (and updates) can be found at <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hcpb/info/info.shtml>. This legislatively mandated report contains accounts for state-listed species for which new information on distribution or biology had recently become available at the time of publication.

The California Natural Diversity Database (CNDDDB) tracks occurrences of rare, threatened, and endangered plants, animals, and natural communities in the state. Information about the CNDDDB can be found at <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/whdab/html/cnddb.html>. The Animals link on the menu leads to pdf versions of the Special Animals List and the Endangered and Threatened Animals List. Vegetation Mapping and Classification and Natural Communities links lead to pages with information (and future maps) on vegetation maps for the state and a list of Natural Communities, useful for wildlife habitat information.

Rare Find is a subscription-based software product based on the California Natural Diversity Database (CNDDDB). It contains text and spatial data on animals contained on Fish and Game's Special Animals List and plants on the Special Vascular Plants, Bryophytes, and Lichens List. A description of Rare Find features and ordering instructions are available on the Wildlife and Habitat Data Analysis Branch Web page, <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/whdab/html/rarefind.html>.

Also available online is CNDDDB's Quick Viewer - a free service at http://www.dfg.ca.gov/whdab/html/quick_viewer_launch.html which presents, in table form, CNDDDB elements (both individual taxa and natural communities) by USGS 7.5' quads or by counties.

Various Fish and Game online publications concerned with fish, including freshwater species accounts, as well as individual publications on California trout species and anadromous, freshwater, and warm water fishes, are available at http://www.dfg.ca.gov/fishing/html/Publications/Publications_0.htm. Fish identification guides and a life history database can be viewed and downloaded at <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mrd/education.html>.

Fish and Game's publication *California's Living Marine Resources: A Status Report*, which contains biological accounts and population status information for marine and anadromous commercial fisheries species (including invertebrate species as well as fishes) and other resident and migrating marine species such as cetaceans and pinnipeds, is available at <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mrd/status/index.html>.

Species accounts and other information from the Fish and Game Marine Region for selected marine wildlife species can be found at <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mrd/education.html>.

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The California Wildlife Habitat Relationship (CWHR) Database is a database application that uses geographic distribution, relationships to habitat types and stages, seasonal use patterns, and presence of habitat elements to predict habitat suitability for 675 terrestrial vertebrates, including all terrestrial species in California and those subspecies included on Fish and Game's Special Animals List. It includes BIOVIEW, an application that translates habitat suitability values for wildlife species into data that can be used with a Geographic Information System. Information and downloading of the CWHR database is available at <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/whdab/html/cwhr.html>. In 1999, an expansion of the marine and estuarine habitat classification scheme used in the database was begun.

Further information on this project is available at http://www.dfgca.gov/whdab/cwhr/pdfs/Preliminary_Marine_Estuarine.pdf.

The California Wildlife Habitat Relationship System provides information and modeling capabilities for California habitat types, with links to descriptions and distribution maps for each type, and is available online at http://www.dfg.ca.gov/whdab/html/wildlife_habitats.html.

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BIOS (Biogeographic Information and Observation System) data viewer, <http://bios.dfg.ca.gov/>, is a collection of distribution maps for Fish and Game and its partners only and contains various data sets from voluntary contributors. A password is necessary to access BIOS but can be obtained by qualified researchers by following the instructions on the Web page.

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