

Have Your Say on NWT Species at Risk

YELLOWKNIFE (July 6, 2023) – The public is invited to comment on two proposed listings and a proposed recovery strategy under the *Species at Risk (NWT) Act*.

The Act provides a process to assess which wild species are at risk of disappearing from the Northwest Territories (NWT), identify threats facing those species, and identify actions to help them recover.

LISTING PROPOSALS

[Dolphin and Union caribou](#) are proposed for up-listing on the NWT List of Species at Risk. They are currently listed as a species of Special Concern. Dolphin and Union caribou were reassessed as **Endangered** in April 2023, which means they could be gone within our lifetime.

[American white pelican](#) is identified for listing on the NWT List of Species at Risk. This species was assessed in April 2023 as a species of **Special Concern**, which means they are at risk of becoming Threatened or Endangered.

RECOVERY STRATEGY

[Peary caribou](#) is listed as a **Threatened** species in the NWT. The federal [Recovery Strategy for the Peary Caribou in Canada](#) will be adopted to guide the long-term conservation and recovery of the species in the NWT.

An addition has been drafted that provides further context for NWT recovery and points to the most current information for Peary caribou in the NWT. You can read the recovery strategy and addition [here](#).

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How can I share my comments?

All NWT residents are invited to submit comments on the listing proposals and draft recovery strategy by **August 31, 2023**.

- **Take our surveys**
 - [Dolphin and Union caribou listing](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R6NSC6T): www.surveymonkey.com/r/R6NSC6T
 - [American white pelican listing](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7TY6DJP): www.surveymonkey.com/r/7TY6DJP
 - [Peary caribou recovery strategy](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RGJ9M53): www.surveymonkey.com/r/RGJ9M53
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Additional species information and supporting documents, including status reports, assessments and the proposed recovery strategy, are available at www.nwt-species-at-risk.ca.

You can also reach the Conference of Management Authorities by contacting:

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Quick facts

- The listing proposals and draft recovery strategy were developed by the [Conference of Management Authorities](#) (CMA).
- The CMA is the group of wildlife co-management boards and governments that share responsibility for the conservation and recovery of species at risk in the NWT.
- The NWT [Species at Risk Committee](#) (SARC) makes recommendations to the CMA on the listing of species at risk. Assessments are based on species status reports that include the best available Indigenous, community and scientific knowledge.

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- The [proposed recovery strategy](#) builds on the work already underway to conserve and recover Peary caribou in the NWT. It is made up of two parts: the federal recovery strategy for Peary caribou and an NWT addition with information on positive influences and best available knowledge on Peary caribou in the NWT.
- The federal [Recovery Strategy for the Peary Caribou in Canada](#), released in 2022, was developed collaboratively by the federal and territorial governments and Inuvialuit and Inuit organizations. It is informed equally by Inuit Qaujimagatuqangit/Indigenous knowledge, local knowledge, and scientific knowledge.

Links

- **Fact sheets:**
 - [Up-listing Dolphin and Union caribou](#)
 - [Listing American white pelican](#)
 - [Peary caribou – Proposed Recovery Strategy](#)
- [Status Report and Reassessment of Dolphin and Union Caribou in the NWT \(2023\)](#)
- [Status Report and Assessment of American White Pelican in the NWT \(2023\)](#)
- [Proposed Recovery Strategy for Peary Caribou in the NWT](#)
- [Status Report and Assessment of Peary Caribou in the NWT \(2022\)](#)
- [NWT Species at Risk website](#)