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Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

Observer(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**Key:**

I = Introduced to Fort Collins; non-native

U = Unusual occurrence

ST = State Threatened

SC = State Species of Concern

Local biologists and Natural Areas Program staff have contributed their observations to this checklist since 1974.

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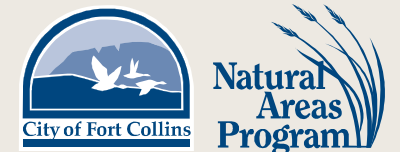
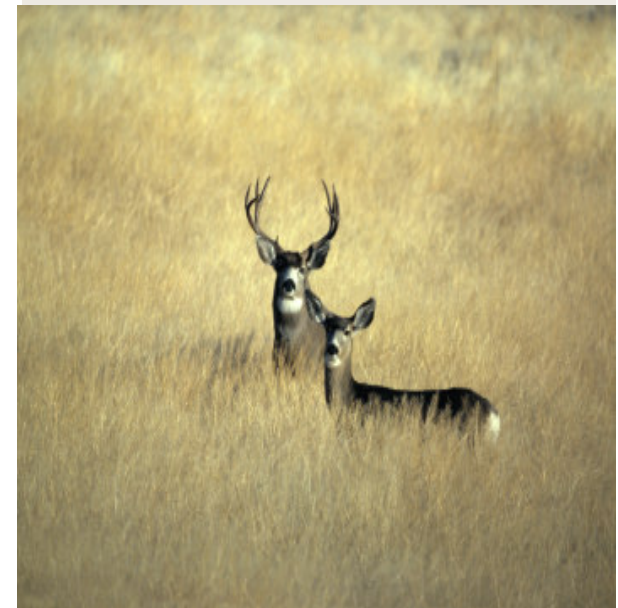
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**CITY OF FORT COLLINS**

**CHECKLIST OF  
LOCAL MAMMALS,  
AMPHIBIANS,  
REPTILES AND  
FISHES**



## MAMMALS

### MARSUPIALS

Virginia opossum (*Didelphis virginiana*) U

### INSECTIVORES

Masked shrew (*Sorex cinereus*) U

Merriam's shrew (*Sorex merriami*)

Least shrew (*Cryptotis parva*) U

### BATS

Western small-footed myotis (*Myotis ciliolabrum*) U

Long-eared myotis (*Myotis evotis*) U

Fringed myotis (*Myotis thysanodes*) U

Long-legged myotis (*Myotis volans*) U

Little brown bat (*Myotis lucifugus*)

Red bat (*Lasiurus borealis*) U

Hoary bat (*Lasiurus cinereus*)

Silver-haired bat (*Lasionycteris noctivagans*)

Big brown bat (*Eptesicus fuscus*)

Townsend's big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus townsendii*)  
U (SC)

### RABBITS

Desert cottontail (*Sylvilagus audubonii*)

Eastern cottontail (*Sylvilagus floridanus*)

Black-tailed jackrabbit (*Lepus californicus*)

### RODENTS

Yellow-bellied marmot (*Marmota flaviventris*) U

Thirteen-lined ground squirrel (*Spermophilus  
tridecemlineatus*) U

Rock squirrel (*Spermophilus variegatus*) U

Black-tailed prairie dog (*Cynomys ludovicianus*)  
(SC)

Tassel-eared or Abert's squirrel (*Sciurus aberti*) U

Fox squirrel (*Sciurus niger*)

Northern pocket gopher (*Thomomys talpoides*) U

Plains pocket gopher (*Geomys bursarius*)

Hispid pocket mouse (*Chaetodipus hispidus*) U

Ord's kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys ordii*) U

Beaver (*Castor canadensis*)

Western harvest mouse (*Reithrodontomys  
megalotis*) U

Plains harvest mouse (*Reithrodontomys  
montanus*) U

Deer mouse (*Peromyscus maniculatus*)

Northern grasshopper mouse (*Onychomys  
leucogaster*)

Mexican woodrat (*Neotoma mexicana*)

Prairie vole (*Microtus ochrogaster*)

Meadow vole (*Microtus pennsylvanicus*)

Muskrat (*Ondatra zibethicus*)

Norway rat (*Rattus norvegicus*) I

House mouse (*Mus musculus*) I

Meadow jumping mouse (*Zapus hudsonius*)

Porcupine (*Erethizon dorsatum*) U

### CARNIVORES

Coyote (*Canis latrans*)

Red fox (*Vulpes vulpes*)

Gray fox (*Urocyon cinereoargenteus*) U

Black bear (*Ursus americanus*) U

Raccoon (*Procyon lotor*)

Short-tailed weasel (*Mustela erminea*) U

Long-tailed weasel (*Mustela frenata*)

Mink (*Mustela vison*) U

Badger (*Taxidea taxus*) U

Striped skunk (*Mephitis mephitis*)

Western spotted skunk (*Spilogale gracilis*) U

River otter (*Lontra canadensis*) U (ST)

Mountain lion or Cougar (*Puma concolor*) U

Bobcat (*Lynx rufus*) U

### EVEN-TOED UNGULATES

Elk or Wapiti (*Cervus elaphus*) U

Mule deer (*Odocoileus hemionus*)

White-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*)

Bighorn sheep (*Ovis canadensis*) U

## AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES

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Tiger salamander (*Ambystoma tigrinum*)

Woodhouse's toad (*Bufo woodhousei*)

Chorus frog (*Pseudacris triseriata*)

Bullfrog (*Rana catesbiana*) I

Northern leopard frog (*Rana pipiens*) U (SC)

Plains spadefoot (*Spea bombifrons*) U

### TURTLES

Snapping turtle (*Chelydra serpentina*)

Painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta*)

Ornate box turtle (*Terrapene ornata*) U

### LIZARDS

Lesser earless lizard (*Holbrookia maculata*)

Short-horned lizard (*Phrynosoma hernandesii*)

Prairie or Eastern fence lizard (*Sceloporus  
undulatus*)

Six-lined racerunner (*Cnemidophorus  
sexlineatus*) U

Many-lined skink (*Eumeces multivirgatus*) U

### SNAKES

Racer (*Coluber constrictor*)

Western hognose snake (*Heterodon nasicus*) U

Milk snake (*Lampropeltis triangulum*) U

Northern water snake (*Nerodia sipedon*) U

Bullsnake or Gopher snake (*Pituophis catenifer*)

Plains blackhead snake (*Tantilla nigriceps*) U

Western terrestrial garter snake (*Thamnophis  
elegans*)

Plains garter snake (*Thamnophis radix*)

Red-sided or Common garter snake (*Thamnophis  
sirtalis*) U (SC)

Western or Prairie rattlesnake (*Crotalus viridis*)

## FISHES

### HERRINGS

Gizzard shad (*Dorosoma cepedianum*)

### CARPS AND MINNOWS

Central stoneroller (*Campostoma anomalum*)

Grass carp (*Ctenopharyngodon idella*) I

Red shiner (*Cyprinella lutrensis*)

Common carp (*Cyprinus carpio*) I

Brassy minnow (*Hybognathus hankinsoni*) U (ST)

Common shiner (*Luxilus cornutus*) U (ST)

Golden shiner (*Notemigonus crysoleucas*) I

Emerald shiner (*Notropis atherinoides*) I

Sand shiner (*Notropis stramineus*)

Fathead minnow (*Pimephales promelas*)

Longnose dace (*Rhinichthys cataractae*)

Creek chub (*Semotilus atromaculatus*)

### SUCKERS

Longnose sucker (*Catostomus commersoni*)

White sucker (*Catostomus commersoni*)

### CATFISHES

Black bullhead (*Ameiurus melas*)

Channel catfish (*Ictalurus punctatus*)

### TROUTS

Rainbow trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) I

Mountain whitefish (*Prosopium williamsoni*) I

Brown trout (*Salmo trutta*) I

### TOPMINNOWS

Plains topminnow (*Fundulus sciadicus*)

Plains killifish (*Fundulus zebrinus*)

### LIVEBEARERS

Western mosquitofish (*Gambusia affinis*) I

### SUNFISHES

Green sunfish (*Lepomis cyanellus*)

Pumpkinseed (*Lepomis gibbosus*) I

Orangespotted sunfish (*Lepomis humilis*)

Bluegill (*Lepomis macrochirus*) I

Hybrid sunfishes (*Lepomis* x spp.) I

Smallmouth bass (*Micropterus dolomieu*) I

Largemouth bass (*Micropterus salmoides*) I

White crappie (*Pomoxis annularis*) I

Black crappie (*Pomoxis nigromaculatus*) I

### PERCHES

Iowa darter (*Etheostoma exile*) U (SC)

Johnny darter (*Etheostoma nigrum*) U

Yellow perch (*Perca flavescens*) I

Walleye (*Sander vitreus*)