

Opportunities for SARA involvement

Six species on or near PEI have been recently listed under the Species At Risk Act and Recovery Strategies and Management Plans are currently being prepared:

- Fin Whale (Atlantic Population) – **Special Concern**
- North Atlantic Right Whale - **Endangered**
- Sowerby's Beaked Whale – **Special Concern**
- Barrow's Goldeneye (Eastern Population) – **Special Concern**
- Piping Plover (*melodus* subspecies) – **Endangered**
- Monarch Butterfly – **Special Concern**

Eight species on or near PEI are currently being assessed for protection under the Species At Risk Act. Governments are conducting consultations and Socio-Economic Impact Analyses:

- American Eel – **Special Concern**
- White Shark (Atlantic Population) – **Endangered**
- Shortfin Mako (Atlantic Population) – **Threatened**
- Blue Shark (Atlantic Population) – **Special Concern**
- Atlantic Walrus – **Special Concern**
- Stripped Bass (Southern Gulf of St. Lawrence Population) – **Threatened**
- Rusty Blackbird – **Special Concern**
- Ghost Antler Lichen – **Special Concern**

Two species in the Maritimes will be assessed by COSEWIC this year (both are currently open to anyone to write the status reports):

- Sable Island borer – Sable Island, NS – contract worth \$7,500
- Felt Lichen – New Brunswick and Nova Scotia – contract worth \$7,500