

The Eastern Graphic, July 31st issue showed a picture of Nelson Hurry of the P.E.I. Fish and Wildlife Division holding a Peregrine Falcon while the bird's finder, Mr. Harry Harris looked on. Mr. Harris, the former keeper of the East Point Lighthouse, found the bird on Sunday, July 28th when it was pointed out near the lighthouse by tourists. The bird was in poor shape and Mr. Harris moved the bird to his basement, fed it, and reported its presence.

The bird was Peregrine Falcon "HK" which was hatched in the Canadian Wildlife Service's Peregrine Falcon Breeding Facility in Wainwright, Alberta. It was placed in a hack box on July 4th along with 4 other peregrines at the Five Islands Provincial Park (approximately 25 kilometers east of Parrsboro, Nova Scotia) as part of the Peregrine Falcon Recovery Plan. This endangered species recovery plan includes an artificial breeding and mass release program for the Bay of Fundy. The goal of the plan is the removal of the Peregrine Falcon from the Canadian endangered species list (COSEWIC list). The mass hacking release program is funded in part by World Wildlife Fund Canada.

HK was released from the hack box on July 15th and was driven off by an adult Peregrine Falcon "6N2", a rogue falcon released from the Cape d'Or, N.S. in 1983. After being discovered at East Point and fed by Mr. Harris, Nelson Hurry returned the bird on July 30th to the CWS Sackville office where it was placed in the model hack box for rest and feeding. On August 5th, HK was removed from the hack box and taken to the Kew's Raptor Rehabilitation Centre in St. Margaret's Bay, N.S. It is hoped that the HK will be released in late August in Minas Basin.

In 1991, five pairs of peregrines nested successfully in New Brunswick. They fledged a minimum of 10 young.

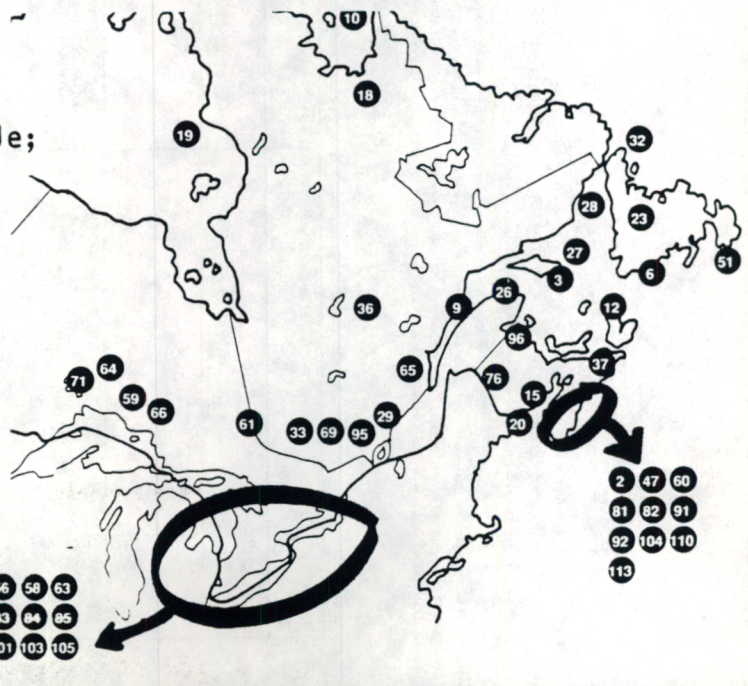
1991 CANADIAN ENDANGERED SPECIES LIST

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The Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada has produced the latest list of Canadian endangered species. The list now includes 211 species of mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish, and plants. Since the list was first compiled, two species have been downlisted and one species has been delisted. This past year the grizzly bear (plains population) and the Illinois tick trefoil were designated as extirpated (a native species of plant or animal no longer known to exist in Canada but known to exist elsewhere). In 1991, six species were added to the endangered list, 2 to the threatened list, and 6 to the vulnerable list.

Extinct, Extirpated, Endangered & Threatened Species in Eastern Canada

- 2 Sea Mink; 3 Atlantic Walrus; 6 Gray Whale;
- 9, 10 Beluga Whale; 12 Eastern Cougar;
- 15 Right Whale; 18 Wolverine (E. pop.)
- 20 Harbour Porpoise; 23 Pine Martin (Nfld); 26 Woodland Caribou (Mar. pop.)
- 27 Great Auk; 28 Labrador Duck; 32 Harlequin Duck; 37 Piping Plover; 47 Roseate Tern; 51 Leatherback Turtle; 60 Acadian Whitefish; 65 Copper Redhorse; 76 Furbish's Lousewort; 81 Mountain Avens (E. pop.); 82 Pink Coreopsis; 91 Thread-leaved Sundew; 92 Water-pennywort; 96 Anticosti Aster; 104 Golden Crest; 110 Plymouth Gentian; 113 Sweet Pepperbush



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