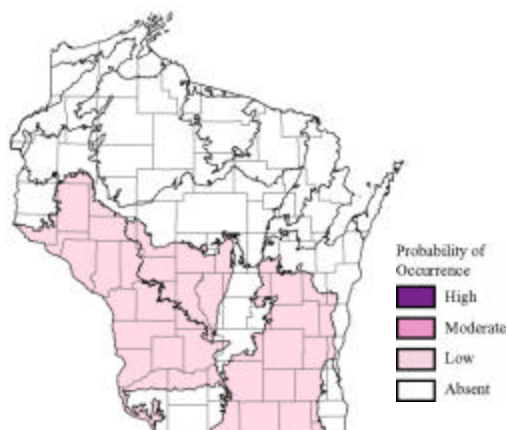


Western Ribbon Snake (*Thamnophis proximus*)

Species Assessment Scores*

State rarity:	5
State threats:	5
State population trend:	3
Global abundance:	2
Global distribution:	3
Global threats:	3
Global population trend:	3
Mean Risk Score:	3.4
Area of importance:	1

* Please see the [Description of Vertebrate Species Summaries \(Section 3.1.1\)](#) for definitions of criteria and scores.



Ecological Landscape Associations

Please note that this is not a range map. Shading does not imply that the species is present throughout the Landscape, but represents the probability that the species occurs somewhere in the Landscape.

Landscape-community Combinations of Highest Ecological Priority

Ecological Landscape	Community
Central Sand Plains	Oak barrens
Central Sand Plains	Shrub-carr
Central Sand Plains	Southern sedge meadow
Southeast Glacial Plains	Dry-mesic prairie
Southeast Glacial Plains	Emergent marsh
Southeast Glacial Plains	Mesic prairie
Southeast Glacial Plains	Shrub-carr
Southeast Glacial Plains	Southern sedge meadow
Southeast Glacial Plains	Wet-mesic prairie
Western Coulee and Ridges	Bedrock glade
Western Coulee and Ridges	Dry-mesic prairie
Western Coulee and Ridges	Emergent marsh
Western Coulee and Ridges	Oak barrens
Western Coulee and Ridges	Shrub-carr
Western Coulee and Ridges	Southern sedge meadow

Threats and Issues

- Rarity itself is a threat to this species.
- A lack of information on status and distribution of this species hinders conservation efforts.

Priority Conservation Actions

- Permanent protection of occupied sites should be pursued if sites are found.
- Basic inventory work is needed to follow up existing reports and determine if breeding populations exist anywhere in the state. If so, status and trend should be determined and threats identified.