



STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF
INLAND FISHERIES & WILDLIFE
353 WATER STREET
41 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA ME 04333-0041



Municipal Natural Resources Inventory

West Gardiner

*Oct 2025

**If this inventory is over 1 year old, please request an update: beginningwithhabitat.org/request*

Critical Natural Resources

Rare Animals*	State Rank ^b	State Status ^a	In or Near ^c
Great Blue Heron	S4B	Special Concern	In
Least Bittern	S2B	Endangered	In

Significant Wildlife Habitats*

[Deer Wintering Area](#)

[Inland Waterfowl and Wading Bird](#)

[Significant Vernal Pools](#)

Rare Plants*	State Rank ^b	State Status ^a
Columbian Watermeal	S2	SC
Water Stargrass	S3	SC

Rare & Exemplary Natural Communities*	State Rank ^b
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Please review Map 1 for additional fisheries, including wild brook trout and Atlantic salmon.

Important Natural Resources

Focus Areas of Statewide Ecological Significance	In or Near ^c
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Exemplary Common Natural Communities (S4/S5)*

*Web information link or fact sheet included in Fact Sheet packet folder

^a. **State Status** - all species with E, T, or SC Status are listed as Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN) in the State Wildlife Action Plan.

E (Endangered) = rare and may be lost from the state in the foreseeable future or federally listed as Endangered.

T (Threatened) = rare and, with further decline, could become endangered; or federally listed as Threatened.

SC (Special Concern) = a species that does not meet the criteria for E or T, but is particularly vulnerable and could easily become a Threatened, Endangered, or Extirpated species.

^b. **State / Global Rarity Rank**

B = breeding.

N = nesting.

Q = taxonomy questions.

S1/G1 = Critically Imperiled.

S2/G2 = Imperiled.

S3/G3 = Vulnerable.

S4/G4 = Apparently Secure.

S5/G5 = Secure.

T = infraspecific taxonomy.

? = inexact rank.

^c. **In or Near** – Features located “in” the town boundaries or “near”, within 0.2 miles of the town boundary.

