

ESPB 2014 Illinois List review and revision

Our timeline and schedule to date and planned (as of June 2014):

January 2012

- ESPB staff made request to IDNR ORC to submit to the Database any outstanding Element Occurrence (EO) status and distribution information and to submit to ESPB staff recommendations supported by evidence for status changes for currently listed species and for addition of new species.
- ESPB staff made request to over 50 research and resource management institutions to submit to the Database any EO status and distribution information.

February/March 2012

The Board and staff vetted 42 ESPB Technical Expert Consultants (ESPB TECs) to advise the Board in the List review and ESPB staff made request to the ESPB TECs to submit to the Database any EO status and distribution information and to submit to ESPB staff recommendations supported by evidence for status changes for currently listed species and addition of new species.

April 2012

ESPB staff began reviewing by taxonomic group, currently listed species against Database information, ESPB TEC and IDNR recommendations and evidence, and preparing 1st cut lists of recommended changes to the list of endangered and threatened species.

May 16, 2012 Special Board meeting

The Board reviewed the bird list and made preliminary approval of proposed changes ([Board meetings agendas and minutes page to access Special meeting minutes that includes Board discussion and species reviews](#)).

August 10, 2012 155th Board meeting

The Board reviewed the mammal list and made preliminary approval of proposed changes ([Board meetings agendas and minutes page to access 155th meeting minutes that includes Board discussion and species reviews](#)).

November 9, 2012 156th Board meeting

The Board reviewed the amphibian and reptile lists and made preliminary approval of proposed changes ([Board meetings agendas and minutes page to access 156th meeting minutes that includes Board discussion and species reviews](#)).

February 8, 2013 157th Board meeting

The Board reviewed the fish and mussel lists and made preliminary approval of proposed changes ([Board meetings agendas and minutes page to access 157th meeting minutes that includes Board discussion and species reviews](#)).



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Our process and schedule to date and planned, continued:

May 17, 2013 158th Board meeting

The Board reviewed other invertebrates and Part 1 of the plant lists and made preliminary approval of proposed changes ([Board meetings agendas and minutes page to access 158th meeting minutes that includes Board discussion and species reviews](#)).

August 16, 2013 159th Board meeting

The Board reviewed Part 2 of the plant list review and made preliminary approval of proposed changes ([Board meetings agendas and minutes page to access 159th meeting minutes that includes Board discussion and species reviews](#)).

November 15, 160th 2013 Board meeting

The Board reviewed Part 3 of the plant list review ([Board meetings agendas and minutes page to access 160th meeting minutes that includes Board discussion and species reviews](#)).

February 21, 2014, 161st Board meeting

The Board reviewed outstanding taxonomic group list issues and confirmed preliminary approval of proposed changes to the IL List of E&T Species (List) ([Board meetings agendas and minutes page to access 161st meeting minutes that includes Board discussion and confirmed preliminary approvals](#)).

May 16, 2014, 162nd Board meeting

The Board approved minutes from the February meeting and reviewed that staff was still working on materials necessary to hold the public hearing for proposed changes to the List and that it may be held prior to the August Board meeting.

June 26 – July 11, 2014

Planned - the Board holds a public hearing on June 26, 2014 and a two-week written comment period for proposed changes to the List (notice of the public hearing period is posted to the Board's website).

July - August 2014

Planned – the Board and staff review and consider comments and evidence received during the public hearing and two-week comment period.

Beginning with the August 15, 2014, 163rd Board meeting (a schedule of 2015 Board meetings will be posted to the Board's website by the end of 2014)

Planned – at a Board meeting open to the public, the Board reviews its determinations regarding public hearing evidence and either makes final approval to proposed List changes or revises proposed changes and schedules another public hearing for the new changes.

- if another public hearing is held, the Board repeats the cycle for considering evidence and reviewing determinations until it approves as final its proposed changes to the List.
- once proposed changes to the List have been approved as final by the Board, staff will work with IDNR to propose amendments to respective Administrative Rules. The Ad Rule amendment process may take 6-9 months.