

Draft Regulation

An Act respecting threatened or vulnerable species
(R.S.Q., c. E-12.01)

Threatened or vulnerable species and their habitats — Amendments

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting threatened or vulnerable species and their habitats, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation designates the following species as vulnerable : golden eagle, caribou (woodland ecotype), rainbow smelt (population in the area south of the St. Lawrence estuary), channel darter, common map turtle and wood turtle in accordance with the list of threatened or vulnerable vertebrate wildlife species which may be so designated, published in 1993 and updated in March 2003 in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*. The draft Regulation also designates the habitat of the peregrine falcon, a territory as demarcated on a chart to be prepared by the Minister.

The designation of the six wildlife species as vulnerable and of the habitat of the peregrine falcon will have no impact on businesses, in particular small and medium-sized businesses.

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Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting threatened or vulnerable species and their habitats*

An Act respecting threatened or vulnerable species
(R.S.Q., c. E-12.01, s. 10)

1. The Regulation respecting threatened or vulnerable species and their habitats is amended by replacing section 2 by the following :

“2. The following are designated as vulnerable wildlife species :

- (1) the golden eagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*);
- (2) the American shad (*Alosa sapidissima*);
- (3) the caribou, woodland ecotype (*Rangifer tarandus*);
- (4) the caribou, Gaspésie population (*Rangifer tarandus*); the habitat of the caribou, Gaspésie population, corresponds to “a territory consisting of alpine and subalpine environments where caribou calve, breed, feed and migrate, as demarcated on a chart prepared by the Minister”;
- (5) the rainbow smelt, population in the area south of the St. Lawrence estuary (*Osmerus mordax*);
- (6) the peregrine falcon (*Falco peregrinus anatum*); the habitat of the peregrine falcon corresponds to “a nesting territory consisting of rock faces and cliffs, perches, hunting and feeding areas, and the area for the raising of the young, as demarcated on a chart prepared by the Minister”;
- (7) the channel darter (*Percina copelandi*);
- (8) the bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*);
- (9) the western chorus frog (*Pseudacris triseriata*);
- (10) the wood turtle (*Clemmys insculpta*);
- (11) the common map turtle (*Graptemys geographica*).”.

* The Regulation respecting threatened or vulnerable species and their habitats, made by Order in Council 950-2001 dated 23 August 2001 (2001, *G.O.* 2, 4851), was amended only once by the regulation made by Order in Council 902-2003 dated 27 August 2003 (2003, *G.O.* 2, 2787).

2. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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