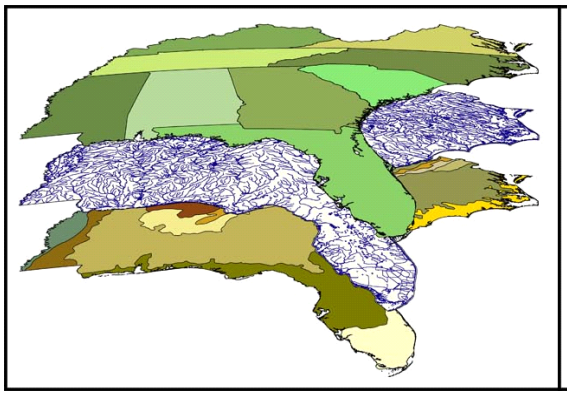


SOUTHEAST GAP ANALYSIS PROJECT

Species Modeling Report

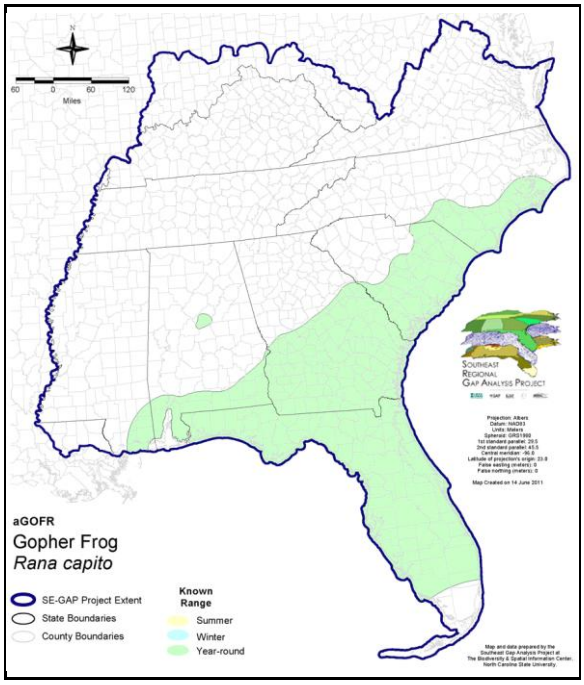
Gopher Frog

Rana capito

Taxa: Amphibian
Order: Anura
Family: Ranidae

SE-GAP Spp Code: **aGOFR**
ITIS Species Code: 207016
NatureServe Element Code: AAABH01270

KNOWN RANGE:



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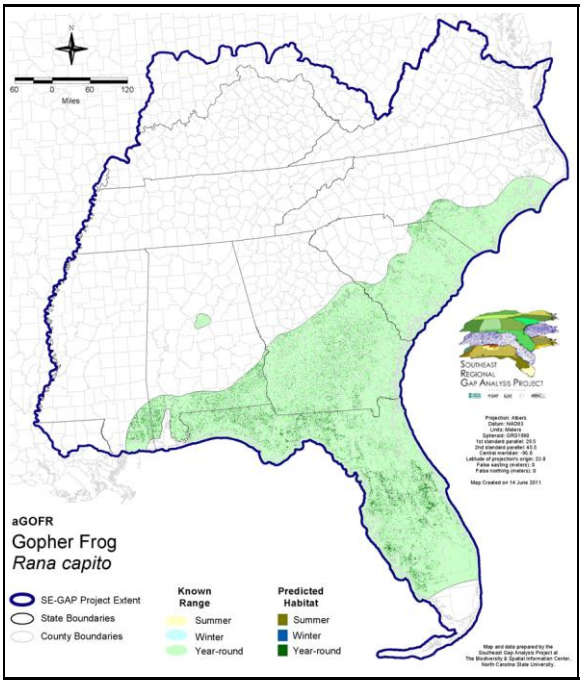

Range Map Link: http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/maps/SE_Range_aGOFR.pdf
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GAP Online Tool Link: http://www.gapserve.ncsu.edu/segap/segap/index2.php?species=aGOFR
Data Download: http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/region/vert/aGOFR_se00.zip

PROTECTION STATUS:

Reported on March 14, 2011

Federal Status: ---
State Status: FL (SSC), GA (R), NC (T), SC (SE-Endangered)
NS Global Rank: G3
NS State Rank: AL (S2), FL (S3), GA (S3), NC (S2), SC (S1), TN (S1)

SUMMARY OF PREDICTED HABITAT BY MANAGMENT AND GAP PROTECTION STATUS:

	US FWS		US Forest Service		Tenn. Valley Author.		US DOD/ACOE	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	4,203.2	< 1	26.6	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 2	7,034.4	< 1	5,783.1	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 3	1.6	< 1	61,174.2	2	0.0	0	40,343.2	2
Status 4	1.0	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Total	11,240.2	< 1	66,983.9	3	0.0	0	40,343.2	2

	US Dept. of Energy		US Nat. Park Service		NOAA		Other Federal Lands	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	5.9	< 1	0.0	0	345.7	< 1
Status 2	0.0	0	595.6	< 1	123.6	< 1	0.0	0
Status 3	4,505.9	< 1	5,179.4	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Total	4,505.9	< 1	5,781.0	< 1	123.6	< 1	345.7	< 1

	Native Am. Reserv.		State Park/Hist. Park		State WMA/Gameland		State Forest	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 2	0.0	0	36.6	< 1	45,583.1	2	0.0	0
Status 3	5.8	< 1	84,552.7	3	4,897.3	< 1	48,218.0	2
Status 4	0.0	0	< 0.1	< 1	1,695.9	< 1	6.2	< 1
Total	5.8	< 1	84,589.4	3	52,176.2	2	48,224.3	2

	State Coastal Reserve		ST Nat.Area/Preserve		Other State Lands		Private Cons. Easemt.	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	181.8	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 2	35.6	< 1	1,672.7	< 1	0.0	0	455.5	< 1
Status 3	0.0	0	4,454.4	< 1	2,098.2	< 1	19,043.6	< 1
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	139.6	< 1	0.0	0
Total	35.6	< 1	6,308.9	< 1	2,237.8	< 1	19,499.0	< 1

	Private Land - No Res.		Water			Overall Total	
	ha	%	ha	%		ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0		4,763.2	< 1
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0		61,320.3	2
Status 3	52.7	< 1	0.9	< 1		274,527.7	13
Status 4	2,239,619.9	85	2,019.1	< 1		2,245,176.6	85
Total	2,239,672.6	85	2,020.0	< 1		2,585,787.8	100

GAP Status 1: An area having permanent protection from conversion of natural land cover and a mandated management plan in operation to maintain a natural state within which disturbance events (of natural type, frequency, and intensity) are allowed to proceed without interference or are mimicked through management.

GAP Status 2: An area having permanent protection from conversion of natural land cover and a mandated management plan in operation to maintain a primarily natural state, but which may receive use or management practices that degrade the quality of existing natural communities.

GAP Status 3: An area having permanent protection from conversion of natural land cover for the majority of the area, but subject to extractive uses of either a broad, low-intensity type or localized intense type. It also confers protection to federally listed endangered and threatened species throughout the area.

GAP Status 4: Lack of irrevocable easement or mandate to prevent conversion of natural habitat types to anthropogenic habitat types. Allows for intensive use throughout the tract. Also includes those tracts for which the existence of such restrictions or sufficient information to establish a higher status is unknown.

PREDICTED HABITAT MODEL(S):

Year-round Model:

Habitat Description: Rana capito inhabits xeric upland pine communities of the southeastern coastal plain (Palis & Fisher 1997). This frog is highly terrestrial and commonly associated with sandy pine flatwoods and turkey oak-pine (longleaf) sandhills, usually in the vicinity of gum or cypress ponds (Wilson 1995). This species is also known to occur in mesic longleaf pine flatwoods, sand pine scrub, xeric oak hammocks, and rudereal successional stages of these habitats (NatureServe2005). In general gopher frogs are very secrative in nature, taking cover by day in the burrows of gopher tortoises, crayfish, or small mammals, under logs, and in other hidden places that provide shelter (GA-GAP 2003). Breeding occurs in ephemeral to semi-permanent graminoid-dominated wetlands that lack large predatory fish (Palis & Fisher 1997). Egg masses are laid in water, typically attached to vertical stems of emergent herbaceous, reedy or woody vegetation and can contain up to 6000 eggs but on average masses probably contain approximately 1200-2500 eggs (NatureServe 2005). Amy Silvano 12apr05

Ecosystem Classifiers: Evergreen & Mixed Forests, Flatwoods, Domes/Hammock, Lakes/River/Pondshore. Amy Silvano 21apr05

Hydrography Mask:

Freshwater Only

Utilizes open water features with buffer of 500m from selected water features.

Selected Map Units:

Functional Group	Map Unit Name
Forest/Woodland	Atlantic Coastal Plain Fall-Line Sandhills Longleaf Pine Woodland - Loblolly Modifier
Forest/Woodland	Atlantic Coastal Plain Fall-line Sandhills Longleaf Pine Woodland - Open Understory Modifier
Forest/Woodland	Atlantic Coastal Plain Fall-line Sandhills Longleaf Pine Woodland - Scrub/Shrub Understory Modifier
Forest/Woodland	Atlantic Coastal Plain Upland Longleaf Pine Woodland
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Interior Shortleaf Pine-Oak Forest - Pine Modifier
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Interior Upland Longleaf Pine Woodland - Loblolly Modifier
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Interior Upland Longleaf Pine Woodland - Open Understory Modifier
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Interior Upland Longleaf Pine Woodland - Scrub/Shrub Modifier
Forest/Woodland	Florida Longleaf Pine Sandhill - Open Understory Modifier
Forest/Woodland	Southern Ridge and Valley Dry Calcareous Forest - Pine Modifier
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Depression Pondshore
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Large Natural Lakeshore
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Northern Pondshore
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Northern Wet Longleaf Pine Savanna and Flatwoods
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Southern Wet Pine Savanna and Flatwoods
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Xeric River Dune
Wetlands	Central Florida Herbaceous Pondshore
Wetlands	Central Florida Pine Flatwoods
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Near-Coast Pine Flatwoods - Offsite Hardwood Modifier
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Near-Coast Pine Flatwoods - Open Understory Modifier
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Near-Coast Pine Flatwoods - Scrub/Shrub Understory Modifier
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Northern Depression Pondshore
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Southern Depression Pondshore
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Southern Loblolly-Hardwood Flatwoods
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Treeless Savanna and Wet Prairie
Wetlands	South Florida Cypress Dome
Wetlands	South Florida Pine Flatwoods
Wetlands	South Florida Pond-Apple/Popash Slough
Wetlands	Southern Coastal Plain Hydric Hammock
Wetlands	Southern Coastal Plain Nonriverine Cypress Dome

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