











# Species Modeling Report

## South Mountain Gray-cheeked Salamander

Plethodon meridianus

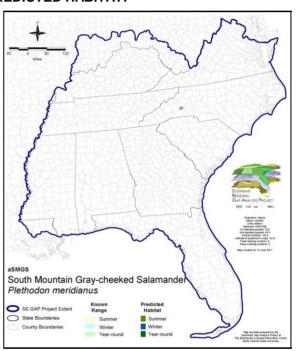
Taxa: Amphibian SE-GAP Spp Code: aSMGS Order: Caudata ITIS Species Code: ---

Family: Plethodontidae NatureServe Element Code: AAAAD12460

### **KNOWN RANGE:**

# South Mountain Gray-cheeked Salamande Plethodon meridianus

### PREDICTED HABITAT:



Range Map Link: <a href="http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/maps/SE\_Range\_aSMGS.pdf">http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/maps/SE\_Range\_aSMGS.pdf</a> Predicted Habitat Map Link: http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/maps/SE\_Dist\_aSMGS.pdf GAP Online Tool Link: http://www.gapserve.ncsu.edu/segap/segap/index2.php?species=aSMGS http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/region/vert/aSMGS\_se00.zip Data Download:

### **PROTECTION STATUS:**

Reported on March 14, 2011

Federal Status: ---State Status: NC (SR) NS Global Rank: G1G2 NS State Rank: NC (S1S2)

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### SUMMARY OF PREDICTED HABITAT BY MANAGMENT AND GAP PROTECTION STATUS:

	L	JS FWS	US Forest Service		Tenn. Valley Author.		US DOD/ACOE	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 3	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Total	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
1	US Dept. of Energy		US Nat. Park Service		NOAA		Other Federal Lands	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 3	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Total	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
	Native Am. F	Reserv.	State Park/His	t. 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	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 3	0.0	0	4,873.1	46	3,386.3	32	0.0	0
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Total	0.0	0	4,873.1	46	3,386.3	32	0.0	0
1	State Coastal Reserve		ST Nat.Area/Preserve		Other State Lands		Private Cons. Easemt.	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 3	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Total	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
1	Private Land - N	Private Land - No Res.		Water			Overa	ıll Total
	ha	%	ha	%			ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0			0.0	0
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0			0.0	0
Status 3	0.0	0	0.0	0			8,259.5	77
Status 4	2,429.1	23	0.0	0			2,429.1	23
Total	2,429.1	23	0.0	0			10,688.6	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.

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### PREDICTED HABITAT MODEL(S):

### Year-round Model:

Habitat Description: The South Mountain gray-cheeked salamander is found in the South Mountains of North Carolina. They

are found at elevations greater than 543 m (Highton and Peabody 2000). They may be found in moist woodland habitats, taking refuge by day under rotting logs, burrows, leaf litter or rocks, and prowling the forest floor by night. They also inhabit crevices in shaded rock outcrops. Stacy Smith, 19April05

Elevation Mask: > 543m and < 2500m

Functional Group	Map Unit Name			
Forest/Woodland	Appalachian Hemlock-Hardwood Forest			
Forest/Woodland	Central and Southern Appalachian Montane Oak Forest			
Forest/Woodland	Central and Southern Appalachian Northern Hardwood Forest			
Forest/Woodland	Central and Southern Appalachian Spruce-Fir Forest			
Forest/Woodland	Southern and Central Appalachian Cove Forest			
Forest/Woodland	Southern and Central Appalachian Oak Forest			
Forest/Woodland	Southern and Central Appalachian Oak Forest - Xeric			
Forest/Woodland	Southern Appalachian Montane Pine Forest and Woodland			
Forest/Woodland	Southern Piedmont Dry Oak-(Pine) Forest - Hardwood Modifier			
Forest/Woodland	Southern Piedmont Dry Oak-(Pine) Forest - Mixed Modifier			
Forest/Woodland	Southern Piedmont Dry Oak-Heath Forest - Hardwood Modifier			
Forest/Woodland	Southern Piedmont Dry Oak-Heath Forest - Mixed Modifier			
Forest/Woodland	Southern Piedmont Mesic Forest			
Rock Outcrop	Southern Appalachian Montane Cliff			
Rock Outcrop	Southern Appalachian Rocky Summit			
Rock Outcrop	Southern Piedmont Cliff			

**CITATIONS:** 

Highton, R. and R.B. Peabody. 2000. Geographic protein variation and speciation in salamanders of the Plethodon jordani and Plethodon glutinosus complexes in the Southern Appalachian mountains with the description of four new species. Pages 31-94 in Br

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