

# SOUTHEAST GAP ANALYSIS PROJECT

## Species Modeling Report

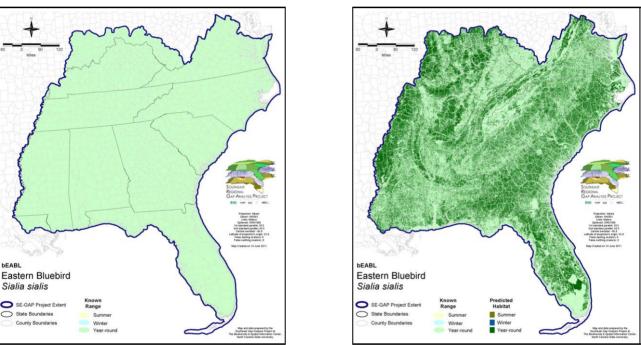
PREDICTED HABITAT:

### **Eastern Bluebird**

Sialia sialis

Taxa: Avian Order: Passeriformes Family: Turdidae SE-GAP Spp Code: **bEABL** ITIS Species Code: 179801 NatureServe Element Code: ABPBJ15010

#### **KNOWN RANGE:**



 Range Map Link:
 http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/maps/SE\_Range\_bEABL.pdf

 Predicted Habitat Map Link:
 http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/maps/SE\_Dist\_bEABL.pdf

 GAP Online Tool Link:
 http://www.gapserve.ncsu.edu/segap/segap/index2.php?species=bEABL

 Data Download:
 http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/region/vert/bEABL\_se00.zip

#### **PROTECTION STATUS:**

Reported on March 14, 2011

Federal Status: ---

State Status: KY (N), NJ (S/S), NY (PB), RI (Not Listed), UT (None), ON (NAR), QC (Non suivie)

NS Global Rank: G5

NS State Rank: AL (S5), AR (S4), AZ (S4), CO (S2B), CO (S2B), CT (S4), DC (S4N), DE (S5), FL (SNR), GA (S4S5), IA (S4B,S5N), IL (S5), IN (S4B), IN (S4B), KS (S5), KY (S5B,S5N), LA (S5), MA (S3B,S4N), MD (S5B,S4N), ME (S4B), MI (S5), MN (SNRB), MO (SNR), MS (S5B,S5N), MT (S2B), NC (S5B,S5N), ND (SU), NE (S3S4), NH (S4B), NJ (S4B,S4N), NM (S1B,S5N), NY (S5), OH (S5), OK (S5), PA (S5B,S5N), RI (S3B), SC (SNR), SD (S4B), SD (S4B), TN (S5), TX (S5B), UT (SNA), VA (S5), VT (S4B,S4N), WI (S4B), WI (S4B), WV (S4B,S4N), WY (S2), WY (S2), AB (SNA), AB (SNA), MB (S4B), MB (S4B), NB (S3B), NF (SNA), NS (S2S3B), ON (S5B), PE (S1B), QC (S5B), SK (S4B), SK (S4B)

#### 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	11,343.2	< 1	975.2	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	(
Status 2	57,402.6	< 1	16,141.8	< 1	0.0	0	755.2	< 2
Status 3	467.7	< 1	270,325.0	< 1	29,560.1	< 1	357,209.2	< 1
Status 4	27.2	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	0	202.5	< 1
Total	69,240.8	< 1	287,442.0	< 1	29,560.1	< 1	358,166.9	< :
	US Dept. of Energy		US Nat. Park Service		NOAA		Other Federal Land	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	11,089.8	< 1	13.3	< 1	1,272.8	< 2
Status 2	0.0	0	2,942.9	< 1	4,082.4	< 1	21.2	< 2
Status 3	14,435.0	< 1	30,456.4	< 1	0.0	0	4,349.3	< 1
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	(
Total	14,435.0	< 1	44,489.1	< 1	4,095.7	< 1	5,643.4	< 1
	Native Am. Reserv.		State Park/Hist. Park		State WMA/Gameland		State Fores	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	9
Status 1	0.0	0	178.5	< 1	10.5	< 1	0.0	(
Status 2	0.0	0	1,148.9	< 1	158,614.8	< 1	58.2	< 2
Status 3	4,356.5	< 1	207,768.1	< 1	43,937.6	< 1	129,287.7	< 2
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	24,405.8	< 1	16.7	<
Total	4,356.5	< 1	209,095.4	< 1	226,968.8	< 1	129,362.6	<
	State Coastal Reserve		ST Nat.Area/Preserve		Other State Lands		Private Cons. Easemt	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	9
Status 1	0.0	0	1,355.2	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	(
Status 2	1,899.7	< 1	11,831.1	< 1	2.1	< 1	1,295.6	<
Status 3	0.0	0	7,476.8	< 1	20,208.6	< 1	73,436.5	<
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	2,644.7	< 1	< 0.1	< 2
Total	1,899.7	< 1	20,663.2	< 1	22,855.4	< 1	74,732.1	< 2
	Private Land - I	No Res.		Water			Overa	all Tota
	ha	%	ha	%			ha	9
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0			26,238.6	<
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0			256,196.5	<
Status 3	331.2	< 1	< 0.1	< 1			1,193,605.8	
Status 4	43,494,862.1	96	22,249.5	< 1			43,568,787.3	9
Total	43,495,193.3	96	22,249.6	< 1			45,044,828.3	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:

n: Bluebirds forage in short sparse vegetation (Nicholson 1997), and nest in cavities located in fairly isolated trees (Alsop 1991). These requirements can be found in a variety of semi-open habitats with scattered trees, such as farms, roadsides, burned areas, forest clearings, open pine woods, suburbs (Kaufman 1996), swamps (Harrison 1975), lawns, and golf courses (Nicholson 1997). Blue-birds are absent on the barrier islands (Fussell and Lyons 1990).

They Require a nesting cavity located away from other overhanging trees (Alsop 1991). Cavities may include old woodpecker holes, birdhouses (Harrison 1975), mailboxes, or holes in fence posts (Potter et al. 1980).

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#### Elevation Mask: < 1219m

Functional Group	Map Unit Name				
Anthropogenic	Developed Open Space				
Anthropogenic	Low Intensity Developed				
Anthropogenic	Pasture/Hay				
Anthropogenic	Row Crop				
Anthropogenic	Successional Grassland/Herbaceous				
Anthropogenic	Successional Grassland/Herbaceous (Other)				
Anthropogenic	Successional Grassland/Herbaceous (Utility Swath)				
Anthropogenic	Successional Shrub/Scrub (Clear Cut)				
Anthropogenic	Successional Shrub/Scrub (Other)				
Anthropogenic	Successional Shrub/Scrub (Utility Swath)				
Forest/Woodland	Alabama Ketona Glade and Woodland				
Forest/Woodland	Appalachian Shale Barrens				
Forest/Woodland	Atlantic Coastal Plain Fall-line Sandhills Longleaf Pine Woodland - Open Understory Modifier				
Forest/Woodland	Atlantic Coastal Plain Upland Longleaf Pine Woodland				
Forest/Woodland	Central Appalachian Alkaline Glade and Woodland				
Forest/Woodland	Central Interior Highlands Calcareous Glade and Barrens				
Forest/Woodland	Central Interior Highlands Dry Acidic Glade and Barrens				
Forest/Woodland	Cumberland Sandstone Glade and Barrens				
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Black Belt Calcareous Prairie and Woodland - Woodland Modifier				
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Interior Upland Longleaf Pine Woodland - Open Understory Modifier				
Forest/Woodland	Florida Longleaf Pine Sandhill - Open Understory Modifier				
Forest/Woodland	Nashville Basin Limestone Glade				
Forest/Woodland	Ridge and Valley Calcareous Valley Bottom Glade and Woodland				
Forest/Woodland	Southeastern Interior Longleaf Pine Woodland				
Forest/Woodland	Southern and Central Appalachian Mafic Glade and Barrens				
Forest/Woodland	Southern Piedmont Glade and Barrens				
Prairie	Bluegrass Basin Savanna and Woodland				
Prairie	East Gulf Coastal Plain Black Belt Calcareous Prairie and Woodland				
Prairie	East Gulf Coastal Plain Black Belt Calcareous Prairie and Woodland - Herbaceous Modifier				
Prairie	East Gulf Coastal Plain Jackson Plain Prairie and Barrens				
Prairie	East Gulf Coastal Plain Jackson Prairie and Woodland				
Prairie	Eastern Highland Rim Prairie and Barrens				
Prairie	Eastern Highland Rim Prairie and Barrens - Dry Modifier				
Prairie	Florida Dry Prairie				
Prairie	Panhandle Florida Limestone Glade				
Prairie	Pennyroyal Karst Plain Prairie and Barrens				
Prairie	Southern Ridge and Valley Patch Prairie				

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