







# Species Modeling Report

# White-breasted Nuthatch

Sitta carolinensis

Taxa: Avian

Order: Passeriformes

Family: Sittidae

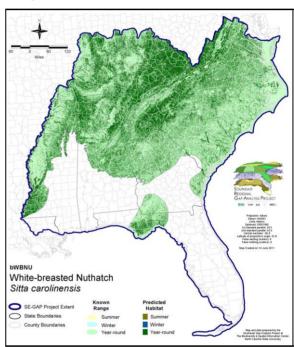
SE-GAP Spp Code: **bWBNU** ITIS Species Code: 178775

NatureServe Element Code: ABPAZ01020

### **KNOWN RANGE:**

# White-breasted Nuthatch Sitta carolinensis

### PREDICTED HABITAT:



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

Predicted Habitat Map Link: http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/maps/SE\_Dist\_bWBNU.pdf GAP Online Tool Link: http://www.gapserve.ncsu.edu/segap/segap/index2.php?species=bWBNU

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

### **PROTECTION STATUS:**

Reported on March 14, 2011

Federal Status: ---

State Status: ID (P), KY (N), NJ (S/S), NV (YES), NY (PB), RI (Not Listed), UT (None), WA (C-Part), BC (4 (2005)), QC (Non

suivie)

NS Global Rank: G5

NS State Rank: AL (S5), AR (S4), AZ (S5), CA (S5), CO (S5B,S4N), CT (S5), DC (S3B,S3N), DE (S3), FL (S2), GA (S4S5), IA (S5B), ID (S4), IL (S5), IN (S4), KS (S4), KY (S5), LA (S2), MA (S5), MD (S5), ME (S5), MI (S5), MN (SNR), MO (SNR), MS (S4B), MT (S4), NC (S5B,S5N), ND (SNR), NE (S5), NH (S5), NJ (S4B,S4N), NM (S5B,S5N), NV (S5), NY (S5), OH (S5), OK (S5), OR (S4), PA (S5), RI (S5B), SC (SNR), SD (S5B,S5N), TN (S5), TX (S3B), UT (S3S4), VA (S5), VT (S5B,S5N), WA (S4), WI (S5B), WI (S5B), WV (S5B,S5N), WY (S5B,S5N), AB (S4), BC (S4), MB (S5), NB (S5), NS (S4), ON (S5), PE (S4), QC (S5B), SK (S5B,S5N)

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## 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	56,310.5	< 1	33,593.1	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 2	106,190.6	< 1	358,946.1	1	0.0	0	4,332.5	< 1
Status 3	3,141.6	< 1	1,946,527.4	6	46,496.7	< 1	232,660.3	< 1
Status 4	57.6	< 1	< 0.1	< 1	0.0	0	9.6	< 1
Total	165,700.3	< 1	2,339,066.7	7	46,496.7	< 1	237,002.4	< 1
	US Dept. of Energy		US Nat. Park Service		NOAA		Other Federal Lands	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	273,138.7	< 1	8.6	< 1	0.0	0
Status 2	0.0	0	10,988.9	< 1	2,256.4	< 1	40.1	< 1
Status 3	18,467.0	< 1	95,017.9	< 1	0.0	0	167.2	< 1
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Total	18,467.0	< 1	379,145.4	1	2,265.0	< 1	207.4	< 1
İ	Native Am. Reserv.		State Park/Hist. Park		State WMA/Gameland		State Forest	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	1,087.0	< 1	72.0	< 1	0.0	0
Status 2	0.0	0	17,222.0	< 1	440,063.9	1	1,407.6	< 1
Status 3	16,737.2	< 1	137,527.7	< 1	134,851.0	< 1	77,751.5	< 1
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	51,567.1	< 1	0.0	0
Total	16,737.2	< 1	155,836.7	< 1	626,554.0	2	79,159.1	< 1
1	State Coastal Reserve		ST Nat.Area/Preserve		Other State Lands		Private Cons. Easemt.	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	11,212.7	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 2	5,583.6	< 1	71,936.2	< 1	5.0	< 1	1,154.9	< 1
Status 3	0.0	0	2,306.8	< 1	3,021.0	< 1	17,819.6	< 1
Status 4	0.0	0	2.1	< 1	1,888.0	< 1	0.0	0
Total	5,583.6	< 1	85,457.7	< 1	4,914.0	< 1	18,974.5	< 1
	Private Land - No Res.		Water				Overa	ıll Total
	ha	%	ha	%			ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0			375,422.6	1
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0			1,020,127.8	3
Status 3	403.8	< 1	1.0	< 1			2,732,897.6	14
Status 4	26,868,101.4	81	22,315.1	< 1			26,995,450.5	82
Total	26,868,505.2	81	22,316.0	< 1			31,123,898.5	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:

White-breasted nuthatches breed in deciduous or mixed forests, especially in mature uplands. They can also be found in bottomlands, parks and residential areas with mature trees. On the coastal plain they do breed in longleaf pine(GA citations). Hamel (1992) lists it as uncommon to fairly common in the mountains below 5,000 ft., parts of the upper piedmont, and parts of the upper coastal plain, while uncommon to rare in the lower piedmont and lower coastal plain. They are generally found in mature hardwood forests, but may also be breed in mixed deciduous and coniferous forests (Pravosudov and Grubb 1993). Kaufman (1996) states however they are 'rarely found in pure coniferous forest.' Hamel (1992) suggests it is more numerous in upland hardwood forests, but may be in bottomlands as well, so long as mature trees are present. Often favors open areas or woodland edge provided by water, roads, or clearings near nests (Kaufman 1996, Pravosudov and Grubb 1993). Residential areas, campuses, and parks may also be used if they contain mature trees (Hamel 1992).

Nests are usually built in natural cavities or old woodpecker holes from 15 to 60 feet above the ground (Kaufman 1996). Hamel (1992) and Kaufman (1996) list the White-breasted nuthatch as sometimes excavating its own cavity, however Potter et al (1980) states this happens very rarely.

Quoted form State habitat notes - K. Cook - 4-9-05

Elevation Mask: < 1524m

cted Map Units:					
Functional Group	Map Unit Name				
Forest/Woodland	Alabama Ketona Glade and Woodland				
Forest/Woodland	Allegheny-Cumberland Dry Oak Forest and Woodland				
Forest/Woodland	Allegheny-Cumberland Dry Oak Forest and Woodland - Hardwood Modifier				
Forest/Woodland	Allegheny-Cumberland Dry Oak Forest and Woodland - Pine Modifier				
Forest/Woodland	Appalachian Hemlock-Hardwood Forest				
Forest/Woodland	Appalachian Serpentine Woodland				
Forest/Woodland	Appalachian Shale Barrens				
Forest/Woodland	Atlantic Coastal Plain Dry and Dry-Mesic Oak Forest				
Forest/Woodland	Atlantic Coastal Plain Fall-line Sandhills Longleaf Pine Woodland - Offsite Hardwood Modifier				
Forest/Woodland	Atlantic Coastal Plain Mesic Hardwood and Mixed Forest				
Forest/Woodland	Atlantic Coastal Plain Northern Mixed Oak-Heath Forest				
Forest/Woodland	Central and Southern Appalachian Montane Oak Forest				
Forest/Woodland	Central and Southern Appalachian Northern Hardwood Forest				
Forest/Woodland	Central Appalachian Alkaline Glade and Woodland				
Forest/Woodland	Central Appalachian Oak and Pine Forest				
Forest/Woodland	Central Appalachian Pine-Oak Rocky 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 Interior Shortleaf Pine-Oak Forest - Hardwood Modifier				
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Interior Shortleaf Pine-Oak Forest - Mixed Modifier				
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Interior Upland Longleaf Pine Woodland - Offsite Hardwood Modifier				
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Limestone Forest				
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Northern Dry Upland Hardwood Forest				
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Northern Loess Bluff Forest				
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Northern Loess Plain Oak-Hickory Upland - Hardwood Modifier				
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Northern Mesic Hardwood Forest				
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Southern Loess Bluff Forest				
Forest/Woodland	East Gulf Coastal Plain Southern Mesic Slope Forest				
Forest/Woodland	Nashville Basin Limestone Glade				
Forest/Woodland	Northeastern Interior Dry Oak Forest - Mixed Modifier				
Forest/Woodland	Northeastern Interior Dry Oak Forest-Hardwood Modifier				

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Forest/Woodland Ridge and Valley Calcareous Valley Bottom Glade and Woodland

Forest/Woodland South-Central Interior Mesophytic Forest
Forest/Woodland Southern and Central Appalachian Cove Forest

Forest/Woodland Southern and Central Appalachian Mafic Glade and Barrens

Forest/Woodland Southern and Central Appalachian Oak Forest
Forest/Woodland Southern and Central Appalachian Oak Forest - Xeric
Forest/Woodland Southern Coastal Plain Dry Upland Hardwood Forest
Forest/Woodland Southern Coastal Plain Oak Dome and Hammock
Forest/Woodland Southern Interior Low Plateau Dry-Mesic Oak Forest

Forest/Woodland Southern Interior Low Plateau Dry-Mesic Oak Forest - Evergreen Modifier

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 Dry Oak-Heath Forest - Virginia/Pitch Pine Modifier

Forest/Woodland Southern Piedmont Glade and Barrens
Forest/Woodland Southern Piedmont Mafic Hardpan Woodland

Forest/Woodland Southern Piedmont Mesic Forest

Forest/Woodland Southern Piedmont Northern Triassic Basin Dry Forest
Forest/Woodland Southern Ridge and Valley Dry Calcareous Forest

Forest/Woodland Southern Ridge and Valley Dry Calcareous Forest - Hardwood Modifier Forest/Woodland Southern Ridge and Valley Dry Calcareous Forest - Pine Modifier

Wetlands Atlantic Coastal Plain Blackwater Stream Floodplain Forest - Forest Modifier

Wetlands Atlantic Coastal Plain Brownwater Stream Floodplain Forest

Wetlands Atlantic Coastal Plain Nonriverine Swamp and Wet Hardwood Forest - Taxodium/Nyssa Modifier

Wetlands Atlantic Coastal Plain Nonriverine Swamp and Wet Hardwood Forest - Oak Dominated Modifier

Wetlands Atlantic Coastal Plain Northern Basin Peat Swamp

Wetlands Atlantic Coastal Plain Small Blackwater River Floodplain Forest

Wetlands Atlantic Coastal Plain Small Brownwater River Floodplain Forest

Wetlands Atlantic Coastal Plain Xeric River Dune

Wetlands Central Appalachian Floodplain - Forest Modifier
Wetlands Central Appalachian Riparian - Forest Modifier

Wetlands Cumberland Riverscour

Wetlands East Gulf Coastal Plain Large River Floodplain Forest - Forest Modifier

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 Small Stream and River Floodplain Forest
Wetlands East Gulf Coastal Plain Southern Loblolly-Hardwood Flatwoods
Wetlands Lower Mississippi River Bottomland and Floodplain Forest
Wetlands Lower Mississippi River Bottomland Depressions - Forest Modifier

Wetlands Mississippi River Low Floodplain (Bottomland) Forest

Wetlands Mississippi River Riparian Forest

Wetlands North-Central Appalachian Acidic Swamp

Wetlands North-Central Interior and Appalachian Rich Swamp
Wetlands South-Central Interior Large Floodplain - Forest Modifier

Wetlands South-Central Interior Small Stream and Riparian

Wetlands Southern Coastal Plain Blackwater River Floodplain Forest

Wetlands Southern Coastal Plain Hydric Hammock

Wetlands Southern Coastal Plain Nonriverine Cypress Dome

Wetlands Southern Piedmont Large Floodplain Forest - Forest Modifier
Wetlands Southern Piedmont Small Floodplain and Riparian Forest

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