Response Statement - Proud Globelet

December XX, 2015

Common Name: Proud Globelet **Scientific Name:** Patera pennsylvanica

Status assessment by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC): Endangered

How the Minister of the Environment intends to respond to the assessment: The Minister of the Environment will forward the COSEWIC assessment of the Proud Globelet to the Governor in Council as soon as possible following completion of the normal consultation period and analysis as appropriate. During the normal consultation period, the Minister of Environment will consult with the government of Ontario, Aboriginal peoples, stakeholders, and the public on whether or not the Proud Globelet should be added to the List of Wildlife Species at Risk (Schedule 1) under the Species at Risk Act as Endangered.

Once a species has been assessed by COSEWIC, further steps must be undertaken before it is added to Schedule 1 of the *Species at Risk Act*. For more information on this process, please view <u>The Species Listing Process Under SARA</u>.

Reason(s) for status designation provided by COSEWIC: This large terrestrial snail is found in the upper mid-west of North America, with Canada's single recorded occurrence in and near a wooded park in Windsor, Ontario. General snail surveys conducted throughout southern Ontario over the last century have not detected this species anywhere else. Freshly dead shells were found in 1992 and 1996 but only dead, weathered shells were found in extensive surveys in 2013. Human intrusions and disturbances from recreational activities and ecosystem modifications from invasive plants and animals, the surrounding urbanization, pollution from local and regional sources, and climate change may have contributed to the species' demise; it appears another native snail disappeared from the same area at the same time.

Occurrence: Ontario

Competent Minister(s): Minister of Environment

Province(s) and territory (territories) to be consulted:

Ontario