

# A Conservation Tool for Rare Plant Species in New Hampshire

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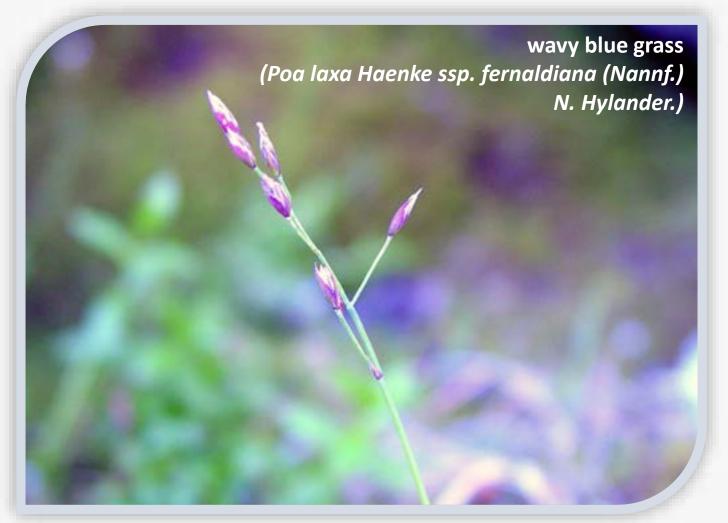
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## Rare Plants of New Hampshire









New Duplicate

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## **How Many Rare Plants Are Protected?**

3 Federally Rare + 331 State Endangered + 85 State
Threatened = 419 TOTAL PROTECTED

(NH Division of Forests and Lands 2020)

## Objective

Geographically locate rare plants utilizing outside records (Figures 1 and 2).

Identify records not in NHB state database (Figures 3 - 7).



Update NHB state database with new records (Figures 8 and 9).

## **Inventory CNH Records**



Figure 1. Download CNH Data. (Herbarium specimen data sharing portal for CNH n.d.)

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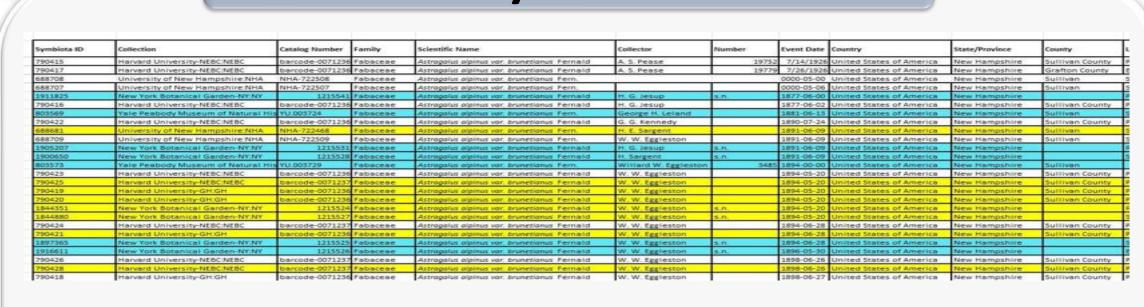
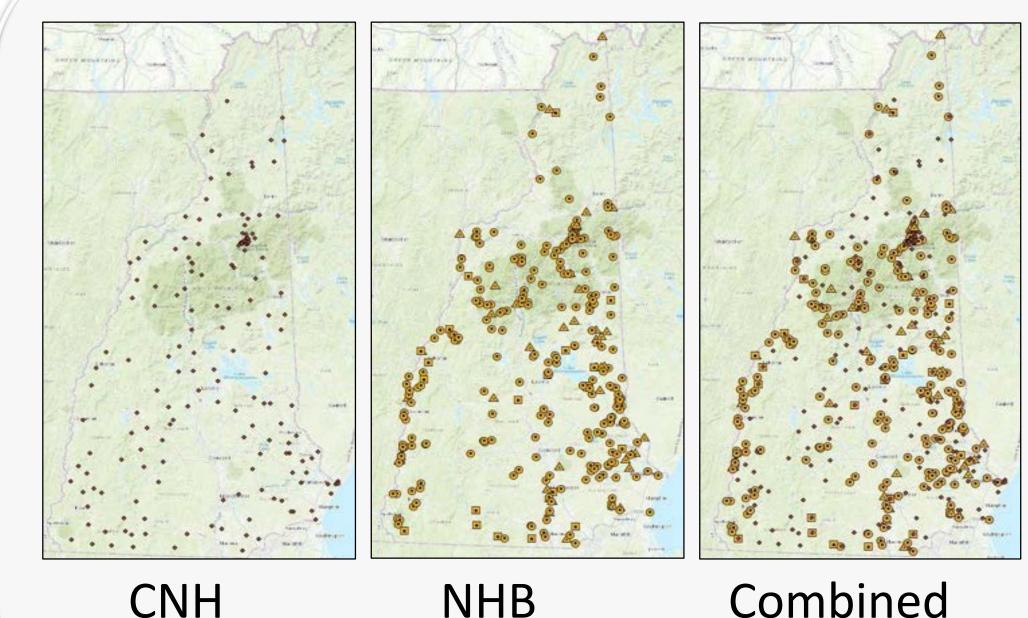


Figure 2. Remove Duplicates (Yellow & Blue).

## Upload Data to ArcMap



CNH NHB Combined Figure 3. Data points on NH maps.

## Identify New/Duplicate Records

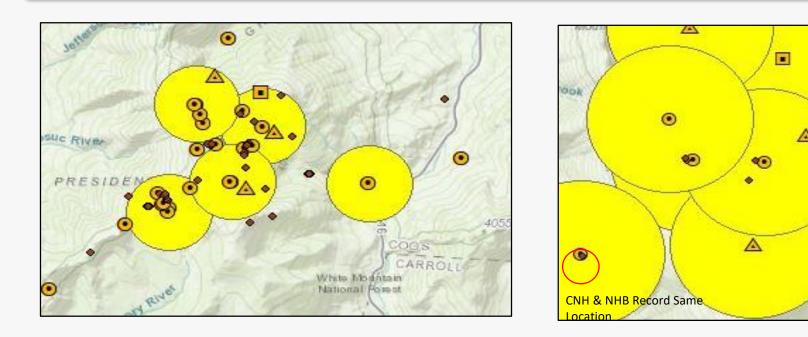


Figure 4. CNH & NHB data with 1 km NHB buffer. Potential sub-populations of species.

# Results

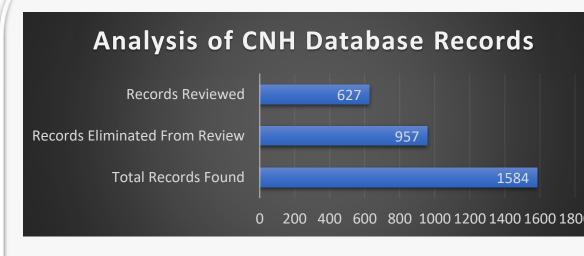


Figure 5. Total CNH records found with final number of records researched.

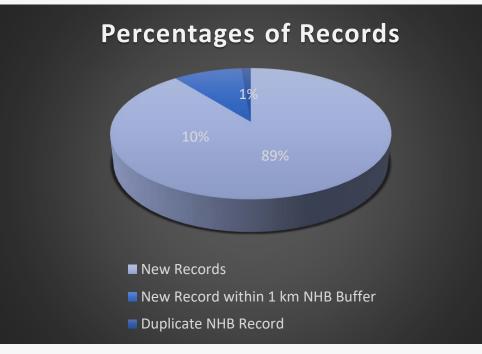


Figure 6. Record review percentages.

## The Results

Species	Records	Records
Arnica lanceolata Nutt. ssp. lanceolata	19	0
Astragalus alpinus L. var. brunetianus Fern.	11	0
Carex polymorpha Muhl.	1	1
Chenopodium foggii H.A. Wahl	6	0
*Crataegus fluviatilis Sarg.	7	0
*Crataegus ideae Sarg.	1	0
<i>Digitaria filiformis</i> (L.) Koel. var <i>. laeviglumis</i> (Fern.) Wippf	3	0
Eleocharis diandra C. Wright	5	2
Geum peckii Pursh	67	0
Isotria medeoloides (Pursh) Raf.	12	0
Liatris novae-angliae (Lunell) Shinners var. novae- angliae	21	5
Nabalus boottii DC	26	0
Panax quinquefolius L.	16	0
<i>Poa laxa</i> Haenke ssp. <i>fernaldiana</i> (Nannf.) N. Hylander	18	0
Potamogeton gemmiparus (J.W. Robbins) J.W. Robbins ex Morong	4	0
Potentilla robbinsiana Oakes ex Rydb.	13	0
Pseudognaphalium micradenium (Weatherby) Nesom	0	1
Pycnanthemum torrei Benth.	1	0
*Robinia viscosa Vent. var. viscosa	21	0
*Rubus aculiferus Fern.	11	0
*Rubus alter Bailey	50	0
*Rubus severus Brainerd	82	0
Sagittaria teres S. Wats	1	0
Scirpus longii Fern.	1	0
*Sium carsonii Dur. ex Gray	133	0
Solidago leiocarpa DC.	72	0
*Solidago simplex Kunth. var. racemosa (Greene) Cronq.	12	0
*Thermopsis mollis (Michx.) M.A. Curtis ex Gray	2	0
*Thermopsis villosa (Walt.) Fern. & Schub.	2	0
* No Records for this species in NHB Database.		U

Figure 7. Species and number of records not in NHB state database.

# Analysis

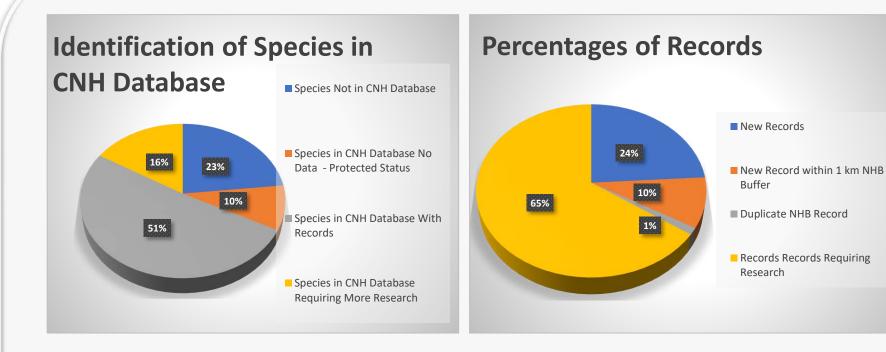


Figure 8. Adjusted results of species identified.

Figure 9. Adjusted percentages of records.

### Why is Record Review Important?

- Conservation and protection of plant species is underrepresented globally and underfunded (Di Marco et al., 2017).
   Horbarium records used as a conservation tool afford an inexpensive way.
- Herbarium records used as a conservation tool afford an inexpensive way research and identify plant species.
- Identification of unknown locations of rare plants leads to protection.

## **Species Identified Using CNH Data**

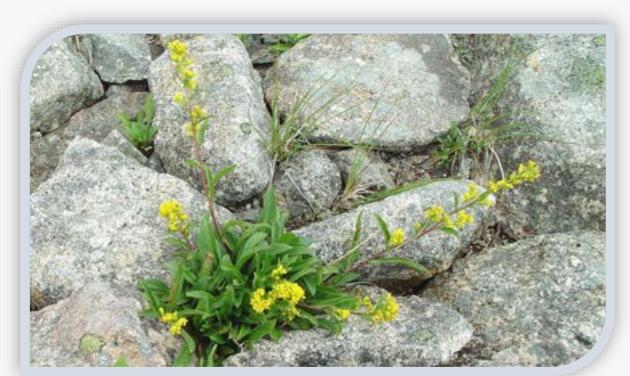
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river hawthorn (Crataegus fluviatilis Sarg.)



Ide's hawthorn
(*Crataegus ideae* Sarg)
\*Considered to be
extinct in the State.



Rand's goldenrod (*Solidago simplex* Kunth. var. *racemosa* (Greene) Cronq.)

Three rare plant species identified as not having records in the NHB state database.

#### **Next Steps**

- > Results turned over to NHB for further analysis.
- > Field verification by NHB for records found.
- > Field identified species will be included in the NHB Database.
- Field verification could result in identification of additional species for inclusion in the NHB state database.