



COSEWIC Assessment Summary

Assessment Summary – May 2005

Common name

Shortnose Cisco

Scientific name

Coregonus reighardi

Status

Endangered

Reason for designation

Endemic to three of the Great Lakes, this species was last recorded in Lake Michigan in 1982, in Lake Huron in 1985, and in Lake Ontario in 1964. Although it has probably disappeared throughout its range, searches for this species have not been extensive enough to declare this species extinct. The species' apparent demise is suspected to be the result of commercial overfishing and possibly competition or predation from introduced species

Occurrence

Ontario

Status history

Designated Threatened in April 1987. Status re-examined and designated Endangered in May 2005. Last assessment based on an update status report.