



- Bear Mast and Wetland Feeding Area
- State Endangered, Threatened or Area of Special Concern
- Natural Community of State Importance (Rank S1 or S2)
- Other Natural Community (Rank S3-S5)
- Deer Wintering
- Wetlands (VSWI)
- Interstate
- US and VT Highway; and Class 1 Town Highway
- All other roads and ROW
- Major River
- Major Lakes and Ponds
- Town

Note: The 2009 Regional Plan version of this map included different data about bear habitat that was published in the late 1980s. The data included in this 2014 map is the most current statewide available data which concerns bears.

As described in "Forest Stewardship Spatial Analysis Project (SAP) Vermont Methodology" (Sept 2007) (available at www.fs.fed.us/na/sap/products/VT/VT-Methodology.pdf):

The bear wetlands layer identifies locations of wetland feeding areas critical to black bear in Vermont as published in 2001. This layer indicates sites of heavy bear use and grazing, mostly located on or adjacent to state-owned lands, as observed and recorded by Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife wardens and biologists. The data are presented as points which roughly identify the center of the wetland and were originally collected in various years using different methods.

The bear mast layer identifies locations of mast stands critical to black bear as published in 2001.

Natural Communities are ranked according to state significance S1 through S5. This rank characterizes the relative rarity (abundance) or endangerment of a native species within Vermont. The ranks are as follows:

- S1 - Very rare (critically imperiled) - At very high risk of extinction or extirpation due to extreme rarity, very steep declines, or other factors.
- S2 - Rare (imperiled) - At high risk of extinction or extirpation due to very restricted range, very few populations, steep declines, or other factors.
- S3 - Uncommon (Vulnerable) - At moderate risk of extinction or extirpation due to restricted range, relatively few populations or occurrences, recent and widespread declines, or other factors.
- S4 - Common to uncommon (apparently secure) - Locally common or widely scattered to uncommon, but not rare: some cause for long-term concern due to declines or other factors; or stable over many decades and not threatened but of restricted distribution or other factors.
- S5 - Common (secure) - widespread and abundant.

Data sources: State Endangered, Threatened or Area of Special Concern (ANR 2010), Natural Community (From Threatened and Endangered Data from ANR 2010), Deer Wintering Area (ANR 2011), Bear Mast Area (ANR 2001), Bear Wetland Feeding Area (ANR 2001), Wetlands (Vermont Significant Wetlands Inventory (ANR 2010), Roads (VTrans 2013), Town Boundaries (VCGI 2012).



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