

Response Statement - Skinner's Agalinis

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Common Name: Skinner's Agalinis

Scientific Name: *Agalinis skinneriana*

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 above assessment confirms the classification of the Skinner's Agalinis which is already on Schedule 1, the *List of Wildlife Species at Risk*. This species will thus remain on the List as Endangered and activities will continue to be undertaken in a manner consistent with the purposes, and according to the timelines identified in, the *Species at Risk Act*.

Reason(s) for status designation provided by COSEWIC: A highly restricted annual species of tallgrass prairie known in Canada from only two populations in southwestern Ontario. Recent losses of subpopulations have resulted in a decline in range, habitat area and quality, and number of mature individuals.

Occurrence: Ontario

Competent Minister(s):

Minister of Environment

Conservation activities underway: A National Recovery Team has been put in place and a recovery strategy for the Skinner's Agalinis (*Agalinis skinneriana*) is under development.