

# Conservation Progress in the Southeast

## Federal Listing Actions

**61 candidates - 17 listed - 1 removed = 43**

**2011**

Multi-district litigation settlement agreements signed

**2012**

Listed:  
Alabama pearlshell  
Choctaw bean  
fuzzy pigtoe  
Miami blue butterfly  
narrow pigtoe  
round ebonyshell  
southern kidneyshell  
southern sandshell  
tapered pigtoe

**2013**

Removed: Yadkin River goldenrod

Listed:  
Aboriginal prickly-apple  
Cape Sable thoroughwort  
Florida bonneted bat  
Florida semaphore cactus  
fluted kidneyshell  
Neosho mucket  
rabbitsfoot  
slabside pearlymussel

**404 petitioned - 30 not warranted - 2 withdrawn = 372**

**2010**

Mega-petition for aquatic and wetland species received

**2011**

90-day Finding reduced petition by 30

**2013**

Petitioner withdrew 2 species due to better information:  
Lower Florida Keys striped mud turtle and seepage salamander

## Conservation Milestones

**Delistings, Downlistings\*, Agreements & Strategies**

**2005**

Eggert's sunflower delisted in AL, KY, TN

**2007**

Bald eagle delisted in lower 48 states

**2009**

Brown pelican delisted in AL, FL, LA and MS

**2011**

Okaloosa darter downlisted in Florida

Tennessee purple coneflower delisted

Tulotoma snail downlisted in Alabama

**2012**

First CCAA\*\* for the spring pygmy sunfish signed with a landowner

NRCS created Working Lands for Wildlife, an innovative partnership that provided \$22 million for cost-share funds to landowners managing for gopher tortoises

**2013**

Gopher Tortoise Conservation Strategy developed by USFWS and 6 States

Louisiana Pine Snake CCA\*\*\* revised

Magazine Mountain shagreen delisted

2 additional CCAs signed for spring pygmy sunfish

Yadkin River goldenrod CCA signed

\* Status changed from endangered to threatened

\*\* Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances

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