Webinar April 20, 2018 9:00 am EDT to 11:00 EDT

Planning for Collaboration between Fish and Wildlife Service and USGS on Science to Support Species Status Assessments to inform Listing Recommendations

This webinar is intended to provide an overview of the Fish and Wildlife Service listing process and Species Status Assessments.

Listing and SSA Background (1 hour 40 minutes)

1. Overview of the ESA Process and the Challenge: review of listing process, binning process, listing work plan, recovery plan outline, delisting and downlisting work plan (under development).

15 minutes

Krishna Gifford ESA Listing Coordinator

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2. Species Status Assessment – review of the species status assessment process

20 minutes

Dave Smith

USGS - Leetown Science Center

3. Decision process – Overview of process used by decision makers to determine recommendation following the SSA

15 minutes

Angela Romito Biologist & Decision Analyst FWS Southeast Region

4. Examples of SSAs

20 minutes

Brian Evans - Barrens Topminnow (10 minutes)

Drew Becker – Nashville crayfish (10 minutes)

5. Conservation efforts for at-risk species: relevant policy decision points and science needs 15 minutes

Anthony Tur At-Risk Species Coordinator FWS Northeast Region

6. Review of Listing timeline

5 minutes

Tim Merritt Chief, Division of Conservation and Classification FWS Southeast Region