



# **Parrot Taxon Advisory Group SSP Designation Addendum for Existing Regional Collection Plans 2022-2027**

The following document serves as an addendum to existing Regional Collection Plans (RCPs; published in 2022 and earlier) to update the status of the Taxon Advisory Group's (TAG) Species Survival Plan (SSP) programs after completing the SSP Assessment process and moving programs into the new SSP Framework as of January 2023. The SSP designations outlined here supersede any previous designations and remain valid until the TAG publishes their next RCP, between the years of 2023 and 2027.

The TAG used the standardized AZA SSP Assessment process to identify appropriate SSP designations for the species under its purview. This process is presented and described at [AZA SSP Reimagination Resources](#).

## Program Management Update

The table below lists all of the SSPs approved in the current RCP, the new designation (Signature SSP, Provisional SSP, TAG-Monitored, Other), the previous designation (Red/Yellow/Green SSP), and contact information for the SSP Coordinator or Species Monitor assigned to that population, if relevant. If a population is no longer going to be actively monitored, they will be designated as 'unmonitored' in the last column.

**Table 1: Animal Program Management Update Table**

<b>Common Name (Scientific Name)</b>	<b>New 2022 SSP Program Designation</b>	<b>Previous SSP Program Designation</b>	<b>Contact (Name, Email)</b>
Blue-throated Macaw ( <i>Ara glaucogularis</i> )	Signature SSP	Yellow SSP	Gen Anderson ganderson@alligatorfarm.com
Hyacinth Macaw ( <i>Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus</i> )	Provisional SSP	Yellow SSP	Emily Insalaco einsalaco@denverzoo.org
Red-fronted Macaw ( <i>Ara rubrogenys</i> )	Provisional SSP	Yellow SSP	Holly Ray hray@okczoo.org
Kea ( <i>Nestor notabilis</i> )	AZA Studbook	Red SSP	Jessica Meehan jmeehan@denverzoo.org
Palm Cockatoo ( <i>Probosciger aterrimus</i> )	AZA Studbook	Yellow SSP	Jessica Theule jtheule@sdzwa.org
Golden Conure ( <i>Guaruba guarouba</i> )	AZA Studbook	Yellow SSP	Tara Sprankle tsprankle@phoenixzoo.org
Thick-billed Parrot ( <i>Rhynchopsitta pachyrhyncha</i> )	AZA Studbook	Yellow SSP	Melissa McCartney mmccartney@saczoo.org
Hawk-headed Parrot ( <i>Deropterus accipitrinus</i> )	AZA Studbook	Red SSP	Kathy Russell Kathy.russell@sfcollge.edu

## SSP Assessment Results

Below are the outcomes of the SSP Assessments across the genetic, demographic, space & interest, and husbandry criteria for current SSPs within the TAG. The scores shown for each species have been agreed upon by the TAG and the APMC liaison, and reviewed by the full APMC.

**Table 2: SSP Assessment Results Summary Table**

Species	Genetics	Demography	Space & Interest	Husbandry	Designation
Blue-throated Macaw	Neutral	+	+	+	Signature
Hyacinth Macaw	+	-	+	Neutral	Provisional
Red-fronted Macaw	+	+	-	Neutral	Provisional
Kea	-	-	-	Neutral	AZA Studbook
Palm Cockatoo	Neutral	-	-	Neutral	AZA Studbook
Golden Conure	Neutral	-	Neutral	-	AZA Studbook
Thick-billed Parrot	Neutral	-	Neutral	+	AZA Studbook
Hawk-headed Parrot	-	-	-	-	AZA Studbook

**Further resources outlining the overall SSP Assessment Process can be found at [AZA SSP Reimagination Resources](#) and in the following documents:**

**[AZA SSP Assessment Criteria Flowchart](#)**

**[AZA SSP Assessment Form](#) and [How to fill out the AZA SSP Assessment](#)**

**[AZA TAG Evaluation of the SSP Assessments](#)**