On the marginal value of swimming in woodland caribou

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| Habitat type | Description | Common species and groups of species |
| Lichen | A non-forested shrub-dominated habitat found on hummocky terrain and may have thin soils with exposed bedrock, ericaceous shrubs dominate having relatively high percent cover. Tree species are always stunted and rarely grow above the shrub layer. The herb layer is species-rich, is nearly always dominated by ground lichen. | Caribou lichen (Cladonia sp.) Sheep laurel (Kalmia sp.) Dwarf willow (Salix herbacea) |
| Wetland | Characterized by open or ponded water. Dominated by aquatic and submergent vegetation such as yellow pond lily and rushes. | Sedges (Carex sp.) Rushes (Juncus sp.) Mosses |
| Conifer forest | Dominant tree species are typically balsam fir or black spruce with lesser amount of larch, ericaceous shrubs are found in this habitat and sheep laurel. | White spruce (Picea glauca) Black spruce (Picea mariana) Balsam fir (Abies balsamea) Larch (Larix laricina) |
| Rocky barrens | Windswept with thin layer that is comprised of bedrock, exposed soil, stone, and boulders. The shrub layer is composed mainly of ericaceous shrubs. Ground cover consists of grasses, lichens, mosses, and smaller berry plants. | Alder (Alnus sp.) Sheep laurel (Kalmia sp.) Crowberry (Empetrum nigrum) Vaccinium sp. |