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***Gopherus agassizii* pop. 2**

Desert Tortoise - Sonoran Population

Other Related Name(s): *Gopherus agassizii* (Sonoran Population)

Unique Identifier: ELEMENT_GLOBAL.2.102195

Element Code: ARAAF01013

Informal Taxonomy: Animals, Vertebrates - Turtles

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Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family	Genus
Animalia	Craniata	Chelonia	Cryptodeira	Testudinidae	Gopherus

Genus Size: B - Very small genus (2-5 species)

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Concept Reference ?

Concept Reference: The Desert Tortoise Habitat Conservation Plan: A Status Report to the National Board of Governors. The Nature Conservancy, Great Basin Field Office. 1990.

Concept Reference Code: U90ANO01EHUS

Name Used in Concept Reference: *Gopherus agassizii* pop. 2

Conservation Status ?

NatureServe Status

Global Status: G4T4

Global Status Last Reviewed: 23Jan2003

Global Status Last Changed: 23Jan2003

Rounded Global Status: T4 - Apparently Secure

Nation: United States

National Status: NNR

U.S. & Canada State/Province Status	
United States	Arizona (S4)

Other Statuses

U.S. Endangered Species Act: C: Candidate (14Dec2010)

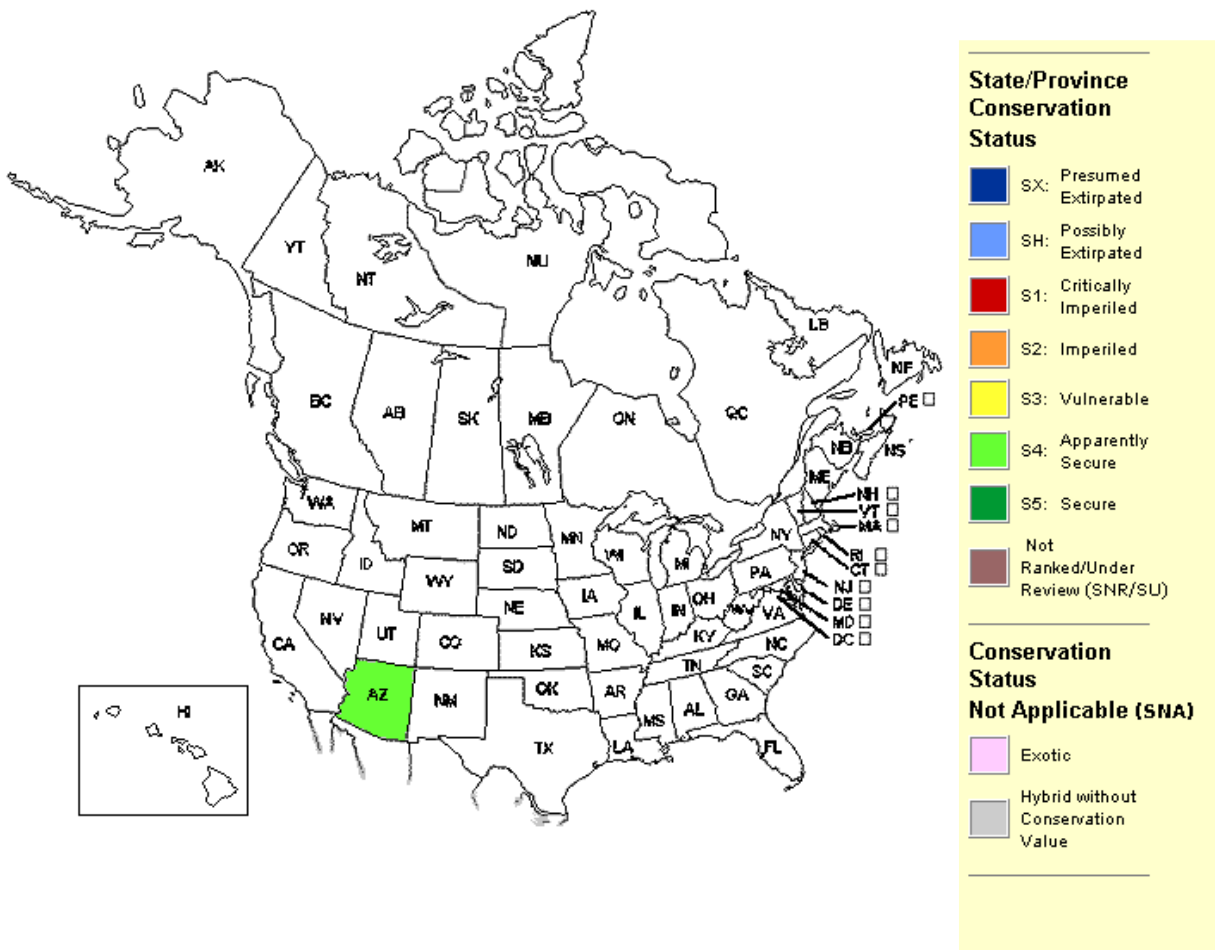
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Lead Region: R2 - Southwest

Comments on official statuses: On December 14, 2010, USFWS published a 12-month on the Sonoran population. In that finding, they determined that the Sonoran population of the desert tortoise warrants addition to the Lists of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants. However, listing is precluded by higher priority actions and it has been added to the candidate species list.

NatureServe Conservation Status Factors

Distribution ?

U.S. States and Canadian Provinces



U.S. & Canada State/Province Distribution	
United States	AZ

Range Map

No map available.

Natural heritage records exist for the following U.S. counties ?	
State	County Name (FIPS Code)
AZ	Cochise (04003), Gila (04007), Graham (04009), La Paz (04012), Maricopa (04013), Mohave (04015), Pima (04019), Pinal (04021), Santa Cruz (04023), Yavapai (04025), Yuma (04027)

* Extirpated/possibly extirpated

U.S. Distribution by Watershed (based on available natural heritage records) ?	
Watershed Region ?	Watershed Name (Watershed Code)
15	Lake Mead (15010005)+, Hualapai Wash (15010007)+, Detrital Wash (15010014)+, Havasu-Mohave Lakes (15030101)+, Sacramento Wash (15030103)+, Imperial Reservoir (15030104)+, Bouse Wash (15030105)+, Tyson Wash (15030106)+, Lower Colorado (15030107)+, Big Sandy (15030201)+, Burro (15030202)+, Santa Maria (15030203)+, Bill Williams (15030204)+, San Simon (15040006)+, San Carlos (15040007)+, Middle Gila (15050100)+, Willcox Playa (15050201)+, Upper San Pedro (15050202)+, Lower San Pedro (15050203)+, Upper Santa Cruz (15050301)+, Rillito (15050302)+, Lower Santa Cruz (15050303)+, Brawley Wash (15050304)+, Aguirre Valley (15050305)+, Santa Rosa Wash (15050306)+, Upper Salt (15060103)+, Tonto (15060105)+, Lower Salt (15060106)+, Lower Verde (15060203)+, Lower Gila-Painted Rock Reservoir (15070101)+, Agua Fria (15070102)+, Hassayampa (15070103)+, Centennial Wash (15070104)+, Lower Gila (15070201)+, Tenmile Wash (15070202)+, San Cristobal Wash (15070203)+, San Simon Wash (15080101)+, Rio Sonoyta (15080102)+, Tule Desert (15080103)+, Rio De La Concepcion (15080200)+

+ Natural heritage record(s) exist for this watershed

* Extirpated/possibly extirpated

Ecology & Life History

Economic Attributes

Management Summary

Population/Occurrence Delineation

Population/Occurrence Viability

Justification: [Use the Generic Element Occurrence Rank Specifications \(2008\).](#)
[Key for Ranking Species Element Occurrences Using the Generic Approach \(2008\).](#)

U.S. Invasive Species Impact Rank (I-Rank)

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