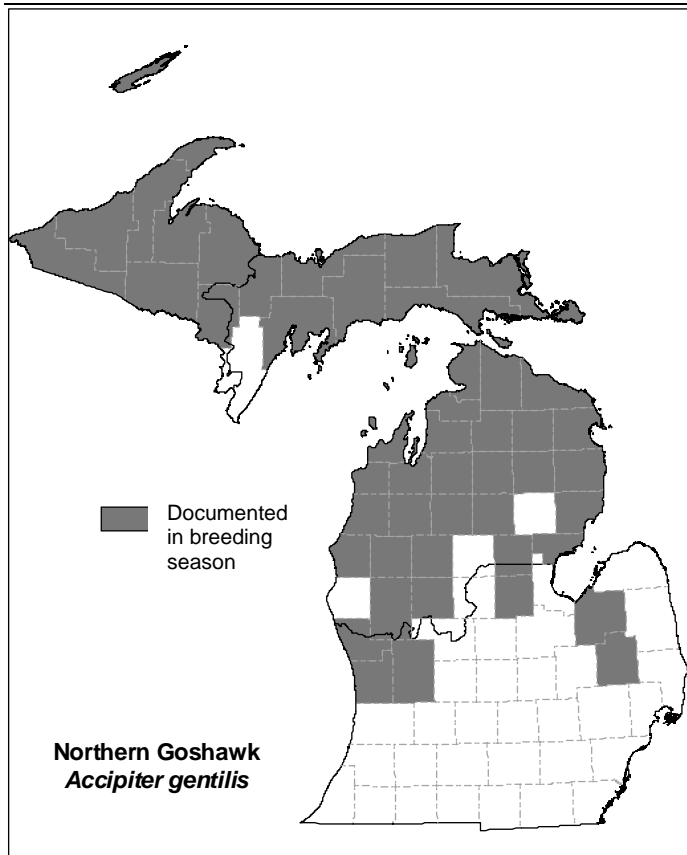


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Northern Goshawk (*Accipiter gentilis*)

DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE: Listed in Michigan as a species of special concern, the Northern Goshawk is uncommon and widely scattered across the Upper Peninsula and Northern Lower Peninsula.

ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE FEATURES: savanna; lowland hardwood; mesic hardwood; dry hardwood; lowland conifer; mesic conifer; dry conifer; forest opening; suburban/small town; large contiguous natural landscape; late successional forest

ASSOCIATED THREATS: conversion to agriculture lands; disease, pathogens, & parasites; fragmentation; forestry practices; non-consumptive recreation; other biological interactions (great horned owl predation; mammal predation); pesticides & herbicides; removal of wildlife

COMMENTS: Creation of forest openings and the fragmentation of large forested blocks due to timber harvest reduce available habitat and favor the Goshawk's competitors, such as Red-tailed Hawks (*Buteo jamaicensis*) and Great Horned Owl (*Bubo virginianus*).