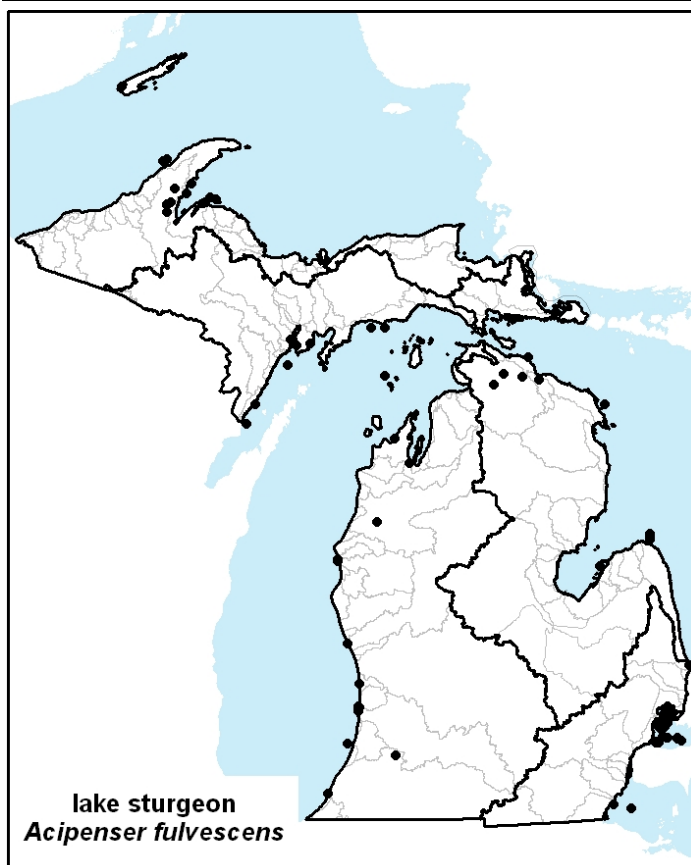


FISH



lake sturgeon

(*Acipenser fulvescens*)

DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE: State listed as threatened. Common in Lake St. Clair; unknown abundance in other Great Lakes areas; declining populations in inland lakes except for Otsego Lake which is a put-grow-take fishery.

ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE FEATURES: shoreline; nearshore; large lakes; wave-washed shore; trophic status: mesotrophic; trophic status: oligotrophic; cold medium rivers; cool medium rivers; warm medium rivers; cold large rivers; cool large rivers; warm large rivers; cold very large rivers; cool very large rivers; warm very large rivers; gradient: slow; gradient: moderate; gradient: fast; banks: rock; banks: rock; rock substrates; soft substrates; clay substrates; vegetation; clear water

ASSOCIATED THREATS: altered hydrologic regimes; altered sediment loads; dredging & channelization; fragmentation; other biological interactions (loss of mussels and gastropods for food); removal of wildlife; urban, municipal, and industrial pollution

COMMENTS: Management of species addressed in MDNR, FD, Lake Sturgeon Rehabilitation Strategy and fisheries objective of GLFC Technical committees.