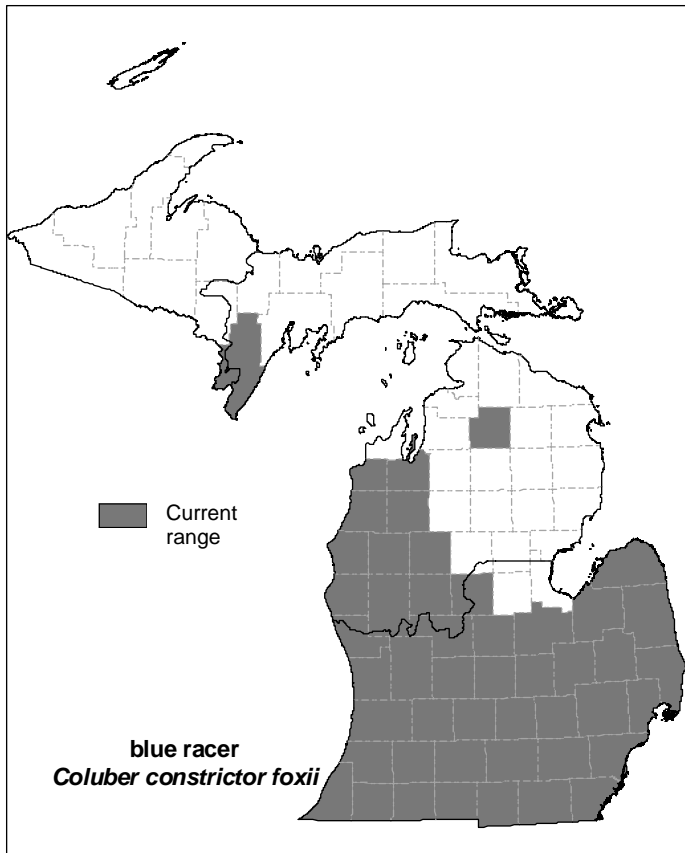


REPTILES



blue racer

(*Coluber constrictor foxii*)

DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE: Unknown. Population appears to be declining.

ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE FEATURES: prairie; prairie; idle/old field; hayland; pasture; right-of-way; fence row; savanna; orchard; lowland shrub; upland shrub; forest opening; bog; inland emergent wetland; fen; ephemeral wetland; inland lake; edge; inland rock/cliff/ledge; large contiguous natural landscape; down woody debris

ASSOCIATED THREATS: conversion to agriculture lands; fragmentation; grazing & mowing patterns; industrial/residential/recreational development; pesticides & herbicides; social attitudes

COMMENTS: Distribution and population status need to be determined. Hibernate in only a few favored winter dens. Very vulnerable to agricultural and urban/suburban development and human persecution. This species may also be known by the name *Coluber constrictor flaviventris*.