

MAMMALS



northern flying squirrel (*Glaucomys sabrinus*)

DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE: Estimates of northern flying squirrel abundance range from present in favorable habitat to abundant. Populations are poorly documented due to the species' secretive and nocturnal habits. Some evidence exists that the species' range is constricting northward.

ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE FEATURES: lowland hardwood; mesic hardwood; dry hardwood; lowland conifer; mesic conifer; dry conifer; swamp; snag/cavity; down woody debris

ASSOCIATED THREATS: climate change; altered fire regime; fragmentation; incompatible natural resource mgmt; invasive plants & animals; forestry practices

COMMENTS: Northward expansion of southern flying squirrels (*Glaucomys volans*) may be causing increased competition for resources with this species. This species is susceptible to fragmentation due to weak dispersal ability. House cats (including feral cats) may pose a significant threat to this species.