

INSECTS



black lordithon rove beetle

(*Lordithon niger*)

DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE: State listed as special concern. This species is probably extirpated from Michigan. It was once thought to be globally extinct, but was discovered in Rhode Island in 1994. It is considered critically imperiled globally.

ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE FEATURES: lowland hardwood; mesic hardwood; dry hardwood; other (species in this genus occur on fleshy fungi); late successional forest

ASSOCIATED THREATS: incompatible natural resource mgmt; lack of scientific knowledge; forestry practices; removal of non-timber flora

COMMENTS: Need surveys to determine presence in the State and, if present, assess abundance and distribution. Late successional forest hardwood or mixed conifer/hardwood forests with very old trees appears to be critical to this species.