



**Rockingham Planning Commission Standard Map Set**

# Wildlife Action Plan Map Sandown

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## Wildlife Action Plan - Highest Ranked Habitat (2015)

### Ranking

- Tier 1 - Highest Ranked Habitat in NH
- Tier 2 - Highest Ranked Habitat in Biological Region
- Tier 3 - Supporting Landscapes

### Wildlife Action Plan 2015

The highest ranking habitats by ecological condition in the state are shown in pink. These areas represent the top 10-15% of wildlife habitat in the state, and are the ones that are likely to maintain biological integrity over the long term.

The green areas shows habitats of highest ranking condition as compared to all habitats in the same biological region. Since New Hampshire is so diverse in habitats, and the pressures from development are so much stronger in the southern part of the state, this comparison within biological region ensures that all our biodiversity is preserved.

The "supporting landscapes," shown in orange, are areas that are important to the highest ranking habitat because of their interactions with those habitats. Loss of these supporting habitats could easily reduce the quality of the high ranking condition habitats

**Base Features** (transportation, political and hydrographic) were automated from the USGS Digital Line Graph data, 1:24,000, as archived in the GRANIT database at Complex Systems Research Center, Institute for the Study of Earth, Oceans and Space, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH; 1992-2012. The roads within the Rockingham Planning Region have been updated by NH Department of Transportation through local input by the RPC where available.

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| RPC Towns 2013 | Shoreline; Stream           | State Road        |
| Water Feature  | Apparent Wetland Limit      | Local Road        |
| Tidal Feature  | Intermittent Stream         | Unmaintained Road |
|                | Other Surface Water Feature | Private Road      |

