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<u>Introduction</u>

The purpose of this checklist is to summarize information on the distribution and status of vascular plants in the Niagara Peninsula region of Ontario. The checklist primarily covers the Regional Municipality (R.M.) of Niagara, but includes information for each Niagara species on the status in the adjacent municipalities of Haldimand and Hamilton. Three species not known from Niagara R.M., but known from adjacent Haldimand County (Flaccid Sedge, *Carex glaucodea;* Long-beaked Oak Sedge, *Carex lucorum;* Tall Cinquefoil, *Drymocallis arguta*), are included in the checklist since they are within the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) watershed. The author (michael.oldham@ontario.ca) would welcome any comments, additions, or corrections to this checklist.

History of Botanical Exploration in Niagara

The Niagara Peninsula has a long history of botanical exploration, dating back more than two centuries. Peter Kalm visited Niagara Falls in 1750 (Kalm 1771) and his incidental reference to Basswood (*Tilia americana*) is apparently the first English language reference to a plant species from the area. Kalm's Lobelia (*Lobelia kalmii*) and Kalm's St. John's-wort (*Hypericum kalmianum*) were both named by Linnaeus to commemorate Peter Kalm and were likely discovered and collected by Kalm near Table Rock at Niagara Falls (Day 1888). Francois Andre Michaux visited the region in 1806 or 1807 and published on some of the trees including Cucumber Tree (*Magnolia acuminata*), which he observed near Niagara Falls (Michaux 1819). David Douglas visited Niagara Falls in 1823 and collected a number of rare species such as Pink Milkwort (*Polygala incarnata*), Starry Campion (*Silene stellata*), Toothed Tick-trefoil (*Desmodium cuspidatum*, and Woodland Stonecrop (*Sedum ternatum*) (Hooker 1840). In the mid and late 1800s botanists such as Joseph Dalton Hooker, George W. Clinton (1864), David F. Day (1882, 1883, 1886, 1888, 1893), John Macoun (1883-1892, 1893), Robert Cameron (1895, 1896), J. Hoyes Panton (1890), and others visited or worked in the region. Ontario's oldest herbarium specimen that has been located in a Canadian collection is the specimen of Spikenard (*Aralia racemosa*) collected by Francis Masson and deposited in the herbarium of the Canadian Museum of Nature (CAN), which was probably collected in July or August 1800 in the Niagara-on-the-Lake area (Brunton 1985). For an account of the early botanical history of the Niagara Region see Zenkert (1934).

In the early 1900's, the Botanical Section of the Buffalo Museum of Science was active on both the New York and Ontario sides of the Niagara River. Charles A. Zenkert's classic "The Flora of the Niagara Frontier Region: Ferns and Flowering Plants of Buffalo, N.Y., and Vicinity" was published in 1934 and covered all of the current Niagara Regional Municipality as well as the eastern portions of Hamilton and Haldimand. Zenkert's flora has been updated by several later publications (Zenkert and Zander 1975, Zander and Pierce 1979, Eckel 2001). In the 1940's and 1950's A.W. (Bert) Miller conducted extensive botanical studies in Niagara; his

specimens are primarily at HAM. Gus Yaki explored the Niagara Region in the 1960's and produced a checklist of Niagara plants in 1970 (Yaki 1970).

In the late 1980's, 1990's, and early 2000's a number of natural areas in the Niagara Region had detailed botanical or life science inventories conducted, primarily by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources. These inventories included including Short Hills Provincial Park (Gould 1989), Point Abino Area of Natural and Scientific Interest (ANSI) (Macdonald 1990), Wainfleet Bog ANSI (Macdonald 1992), Niagara Gorge ANSI (Varga and Kor 1993), Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI (Varga et al. 1992), Fifteen-Sixteen Mile Creek Valleys ANSI (Jalava et al. 1992), Beamsville Escarpment ANSI (Jalava et al. 1992), Jordan Valley ANSI (Schaefer et al. 1992), Marcy's Woods (Oldham 2000), Niagara Falls (Eckel 2001), and the Niagara River (Oldham 2007). The "Ecological Survey of the Niagara Escarpment Biosphere Reserve" (Riley et al. 1996) provides vascular plant lists for 16 surveyed sites on the Niagara Escarpment within Niagara R.M.

Botanical fieldwork by the author and others at the Ontario Natural Heritage Information Centre or NHIC (Wasyl Bakowsky, Sam Brinker) has been conducted in the Niagara Region in 2006, 2007, and 2008 on a variety of projects related to invasive species (Oldham and Brinker 2009b), parkland along the Niagara River (Oldham 2007), and the Niagara Natural Areas Inventory (NAI). A database of botanical records gathered during these and earlier NHIC surveys (e.g. Oldham 2000) contains about 7,500 records. The Niagara Natural Areas Inventory (NAI) database contains records gathered during NAI fieldwork (about 60,000 vascular plant records) and records compiled from other sources (an additional 30,000 vascular plant records). In total more than 100,000 georeferenced and databased vascular plant records were used to compile this checklist. Niagara R.M. specimens were examined at several Ontario (CAN, DAO, HAM, NFO, NHIC, OAC, TRT, TRTE; herbarium acronyms follow Index Herbariorum http://sciweb.nybg.org/science2/IndexHerbariorum.asp) and New York (BUF) herbaria and databased Niagara specimen records were provided from HAM and TRT. Not all specimens cited in the checklist have been examined by the author.

<u>Taxonomy and Nomenclature (SCIENTIFIC NAME, COMMON NAME)</u>

Scientific names and family names used in this checklist largely follow the Flora of North America (FNA) for volumes published to date (FNA 1993, 1997, 2000, 2002a, 2002b, 2003a, 2003b, 2003c, 2005, 2006a, 2006b, 2006c, 2007, 2009). For families which have not yet been covered by FNA a variety of sources have been used, primarily Morton and Venn (1990), Newmaster et al. (1998), and Kartesz (1999). Fern families follow Smith et al. (2006). Family level nomenclature primarily follows the Angiosperm Phylogeny Website (http://www.mobot.org/MOBOT/research/APweb/welcome.html; Stevens 2001). Commonly used synonyms are provided at the end of the Niagara Notes column; for additional synonymy see Morton and Venn (1990), Newmaster et al. (1998), and Kartesz (1999). Common names follow various sources, frequently Newmaster et al. (1998). Species are listed alphabetically by scientific name.

Status in Niagara Regional Municipality (NIAG)

Although Zenkert's (1934) Niagara Frontier Region flora contains information on the frequency of species in the area (e.g. very rare, infrequent, common, etc.), these remarks pertain to the entire area covered, much of which is in New York State. John Riley's (1989) "Distribution and Status of the Vascular Plants of Central Region" listed plants known from Niagara-Haldimand (combined) but did not provide a status, except for provincially rare species. Riley et al. (1996) provide an indication of local rarity in the Regional Municipality of Niagara based on a species being considered locally rare in Niagara if known from six or fewer sites in the Regional Municipality.

This checklist indicates status in Niagara Regional Municipality using the following codes and definitions:

R = Rare; known from 10 or fewer recently verified (post 1980) locations in Niagara R.M. Native plants considered rare in Niagara or rare in Ontario appear in boldface in the checklist.

RH = Rare Historic; known from Niagara R.M. but no known records since 1980.

U = Uncommon; known from 11 to 20 recently verified (post 1980) locations in Niagara R.M.

C = Common; known from more than 20 recently verified (post 1980) locations in Niagara R.M.

DD = Data Deficient; native and reliably known from Niagara R.M., but local status unknown usually due to confusion with similar species. Further work is needed to determine status in the region.

I = Introduced; a plant established outside cultivation in Niagara R.M. but not native to the region (i.e. deliberately or accidentally introduced to the area). "I" is followed by one of the above codes to indicate the regional status of introduced plants.

hyb = Hybrid; no Niagara status assigned.

In addition to status in Niagara R.M., this checklist also indicates the status in adjacent City of Hamilton, based on Goodban (2003), and Haldimand-Norfolk Regional Municipality (now Norfolk and Haldimand Counties), based on Sutherland (1987). Vascular plants occurring in adjacent Hamilton and Haldimand are included only if they occur in the portion of these municipalities which is in the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority watershed or if they also occur in Niagara Regional Municipality.

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Niagara Comments (NIAGARA NOTES)

Brief notes on the status and distribution of many plants in Niagara are provided. Comments particularly focus on species rare or uncommon in Niagara. Literature references and specimens preserved in herbaria are cited where possible. When specimens are cited only the primary collector's name is provided, to save space. Frequently used scientific names synonyms and other names used for the taxon in the recent Niagara floristic literature are provided.

The following abbreviations and acronyms are used in the NIAGARA NOTES column:

ANSI = Area of Natural and Scientific Interest

ARVPO = Atlas of the Rare Vascular Plants of Ontario (Argus et al. 1982-1987) database

BUF = Buffalo Museum of Science herbarium

CAN = Canadian Museum of Nature, Gatineau, herbarium

DAO = Agriculture Canada, Ottawa, herbarium

det. = determined or verified by (pertaining to a specimen)

et al. = et alii or "and others"

FNA = Flora of North America project (see bibliography)

GH = Gray Herbarium, Harvard University, Boston

HAM = Royal Botanical Gardens, Hamilton, herbarium

MICH = University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, herbarium

MTMG = McGill University herbarium, Montreal

NAI = Niagara Natural Areas inventory project and database

NFO = Niagara Parks Commission, Niagara Falls, herbarium

NHIC = Natural Heritage Information Centre, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, Peterborough, herbarium

NPCA = Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority

OAC = University of Guelph (formerly Ontario Agricultural College) herbarium

R.M. = Regional Municipality

sensu stricto = in the strict sense (i.e. excluding closely related species)

ssp. = botanical subspecies, a subdivision of a species

TRT = Royal Ontario Museum (University of Toronto) herbarium

TRTE = Erindale Campus, University of Toronto, herbarium

Twp. = Township

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var. = botanical variety, a subdivision of a species

WAT = University of Waterloo herbarium

WLU = Wilfred Laurier University, Waterloo, herbarium

X = between a genus and species name indicates a hybrid

= followed by a number indicates a plant collection number (unique identifier assigned by a botanist).

Status in Hamilton (HAMI)

Status in the City of Hamilton is indicated using the following codes and definitions (Goodban 2003):

R = Rare; known 1 to 5 sites in Hamilton, number of sites indicated (= H of Goodban 2003).

U = Uncommon; known from 6 to 10 sites in Hamilton (= h of Goodban 2003).

C = Common; present in Hamilton, but not rare, uncommon, or introduced (i.e. listed in Goodban 2003 with no status indicated).

I = Introduced; not native to Hamilton (Goodban 2003).

I/N = Both Introduced and Native populations occur in Hamilton; no status provided in Goodban (2003).

hyb = Hybrid; occurring in Hamilton, no status assigned (Goodban 2003).

? = Status uncertain, usually due to differing taxonomic concepts.

-- = Not present in Hamilton, according to Goodban (2003).

Status in Haldimand-Norfolk (HANO)

Status in Haldimand-Norfolk Regional Municipality (now Norfolk and Haldimand Counties) is based on Sutherland (1987) using the following codes and definitions:

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- **R** = Rare; known from 1 to 5 sites in Haldimand-Norfolk, number of sites indicated.
- **VU** = Very Uncommon; known from 6 to 8 sites in Haldimand-Norfolk.
- **U** = Uncommon; known from 9 to 15 sites in Haldimand-Norfolk.
- **C** = Common; known from more than 15 sites in Haldimand-Norfolk.
- **I** = Introduced; not native to Haldimand-Norfolk.
- **X** = Present in Haldimand-Norfolk; no status assigned in Sutherland (1987).
- ? = Status uncertain, usually due to differing taxonomic concepts.
- -- = Not present in Hamilton, according to Sutherland (1997).

Canada Status (COSEWIC)

Species at risk (SAR) status assigned by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC), following the most recent COSEWIC (2009) list. Most species listed as at risk by COSEWIC are legally protected under the federal Species At Risk Act (SARA); see http://www.sararegistry.gc.ca/. Currently 25 vascular plants known from Niagara R.M. have been assigned to a formal national at risk category by COSEWIC, although Niagara populations of two of these species (Dense Blazing-star, Kentucky Coffee-tree) are thought to be introduced.

- **END = Endangered**. A wildlife species facing imminent extirpation or extinction. [12 native to Niagara taxa]
- **THR = Threatened**. A wildlife species that is likely to become endangered if nothing is done to reverse the factors leading to its extirpation or extinction. [7 native to Niagara taxa]
- **SC = Special Concern**. A wildlife species that may become threatened or endangered because of a combination of biological characteristics and identified threats. [4 native to Niagara taxa]

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Ontario Status (MNR)

Legal provincial species at risk (SAR) status assigned by the Committee on the Status of Species at Risk in Ontario (COSSARO), following the most recent Species At Risk in Ontario (SARO) list (Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources 2009). Endangered (END), Threatened (THR), and Extirpated (EXP) species are legally protected under the province's Endangered Species Act (ESA), 2007. Currently 26 vascular plants known from Niagara R.M. have been assigned to a formal provincial at risk category by COSSARO, although Niagara populations of two of these species (Dense Blazing-star, Kentucky Coffee-tree) are thought to be introduced.

END = Endangered. A species facing imminent extinction or extirpation in Ontario. [13 native to Niagara taxa]

THR = Threatened. A species that is at risk of becoming endangered in Ontario if limiting factors are not reversed. [7 native to Niagara taxa]

SC = Special Concern. A species with characteristics that make it sensitive to human activities or natural events. [4 native to Niagara taxa]

Ontario Rank (SRANK)

Provincial (or subnational) conservation status ranks (S-ranks) are used by the Ontario Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) to set conservation priorities for rare species and natural communities. These ranks are not legal statuses, unlike COSEWIC (SARA) and MNR (ESA 2007) designations. The most important factors considered in assigning provincial ranks are the total number of known, extant sites in Ontario, and the degree to which they are potentially or actively threatened with destruction. Other criteria include the number of known populations considered to be securely protected, the size and population trends of provincial occurrences, and the ability of the taxon to persist at its known sites. Ontario ranks follow Oldham and Brinker (2009a) for native species of provincial conservation concern and the NHIC database for other species. See the NHIC web page (http://nhic.mnr.gov.on.ca/) for updated ranks.

S1 = Critically Imperilled—Critically imperilled in Ontario because of extreme rarity (often 5 or fewer occurrences) or because of some factor(s) such as very steep declines making it especially vulnerable to extirpation from the province. [43 taxa, including S1? and S1S2]

- **S2 = Imperilled**—Imperilled in Ontario because of rarity due to very restricted range, very few populations (often 20 or fewer), steep declines, or other factors making it very vulnerable to extirpation from the province. [78 taxa, including S2?, S2S3, and S1S3]
- **S3 = Vulnerable**—Vulnerable in Ontario due to a restricted range, relatively few populations (often 80 or fewer), recent and widespread declines, or other factors making it vulnerable to extirpation. [70 taxa, including S3? and S3S4]
- **S4 = Apparently Secure**—Uncommon but not rare; some cause for long-term concern due to declines or other factors. [329 taxa, including S4? and S4S5]
- **S5 = Secure**—Common, widespread, and abundant in Ontario. [612 taxa, including S5?]
- **SH = Possibly Extirpated (Historical)**—Species occurred historically in Ontario, and there is some possibility that it may be rediscovered. Its presence in the province has not have been verified in the past 20 or more years. [4 taxa]
- **SX = Presumed Extirpated**—Species is believed to be extirpated from Ontario. Not located despite intensive searches of historical sites and other appropriate habitat, and virtually no likelihood that it will be rediscovered. [6 taxa]
- **SE = Exotic**—Species is believed to be exotic or non-native to Ontario, but occurs (or formerly occurred) and spreads outside of cultivation without direct human assistance. A number following SE indicates roughly how common the species is in Ontario: SE1 = 1-5 sites; SE2 = 6-20 sites; SE3 = 21-80 sites; SE4 = > 80 sites; SE5 = >> 80 sites; SEH = no records in at least 20 years; SEX = extirpated. [552 taxa]
- **SU = Unrankable**—Currently unrankable due to lack of information or due to substantially conflicting information about status or trends. [4 taxa]
- ? = Inexact or Uncertain—Denotes inexact or uncertain numeric rank.

Rank ranges, e.g. S2S3, indicate that the Ontario rank is either S2 or S3, but that the information currently available is insufficient to determine which rank applies. Rank ranges (e.g. S2S3) are sometimes used to indicate known rank based on number of occurrences (e.g. S2) and predicted rank with additional field surveys (e.g. S3).

Synopsis

This checklist includes 1,696 vascular plant taxa (species, subspecies, varieties, and hybrids) reliably reported from Niagara Regional Municipality. Of these, 65% are native to Niagara and 35% introduced. The table below provides a breakdown by Niagara status.

NIAG	definition	number	notes
С	common (native)	279	16% (26% of native taxa)
U	uncommon (native)	190	11% (17% of native taxa)
R	rare (native)	439	26% (41% of native taxa)
RH	rare historic (native)	179	11% (16% of native taxa)
	native (total)	1100	65%
IC	introduced (common)	107	6% (19% of introduced taxa)
IU	introduced (uncommon)	78	5% (14% of introduced taxa)
IR	introduced (rare)	313	18% (54% of introduced taxa)
IH	introduced (historic)	80	5% (14% of introduced taxa)
	introduced (total)	587	35%
	data deficient (status		
DD	undetermined)	13	1% (all native)
hyb	hybrid	18	1% (9 native, 9 introduced)
	provincial conservation concern		
	(S1, S2, S3, SH, SX) and native	172	10% (16% of native taxa)
	Species At Risk (SAR) and		
	native	24	1% (2% of native taxa)
total		1696	

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The table below compares Niagara totals with those of adjacent and nearby jurisdictions. Information sources used are Sutherland (1987), Varga et al. (2000), and Goodban (2003).

	Niaga	Haldiman	Hamilto	Halto		Toron		Durha	
	ra	d-Norfolk	n	n	Peel	to	York	m	GTA
Total taxa	1696	1398	1410	1301	1346	1403	1132	1250	1870
Introduced	587	307	474	433	504	569	311	428	720
Native	1100	1091	936	868	877	880	821	855	1150
Rare in									
jurisdiction	440	209	369	334	441	393	406	408	628
Historic									
(native)	179								
Uncommon	190	389	107	183	63	89	114	124	125
Provincial									
conservatio									
n concern	172	158	83	57	36	72	24	32	126

The Niagara flora is diverse and nationally significant. The reason for this diversity is its southern location and varied habitats including the Niagara Escarpment, the Niagara Gorge, sandy and rocky shorelines and dunes of Lakes Erie and Ontario, the formerly rich aquatic flora of the Niagara and Welland Rivers, sand plains and clay plains, alvars, and peatlands.

The long history of botanical exploration in the Niagara area, particularly near Niagara Falls and along the Niagara River (see above), has resulted in relatively good documentation of the historical flora of the area, allowing for comparisons with the current condition. Unfortunately the Niagara flora has not fared well over the last century or two in the face of extensive human modification of the landscape. About 15% of the native flora (179 taxa) is known only from historical records (> 30 years old) and most of these species are likely extirpated from the region. Particularly hard hit groups of plants in Niagara are aquatics, orchids, and prairie/savannah species. Many rare native plants will follow the same fate without strong conservation actions to preserve them and their habitats. It is quite likely that the Niagara Region has lost a greater proportion of its native flora than any other county or regional municipality in Ontario.

Excluded Species

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A list of 191 excluded taxa was compiled while researching the Niagara checklist. This list appears at the end of the checklist. These species have been reported from Niagara R.M., but without persuasive documentation. Some of the records may be valid but require further confirmation before they can be included in the checklist.

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Abies balsamea (L.) Miller	Balsam Fir	IR	Reported from Point Abino (Yaki 1970), where considered introduced by Macdonald (1990).	С				S5	PINACEAE
Abutilon theophrasti Medikus	Velvet-leaf	IU	Uncommon weed, often in agricultural areas.	I	I			SE5	MALVACEAE
Acalypha rhomboidea Raf.	Three-seeded Mercury	С	Common. = Acalypha virginica var. rhomboidea.	С	С			S5	EUPHORBIACEAE
Acer campestre L.	Hedge Maple	IR	Rare escape from cultivation (M.J. Oldham #34045, DAO, from Dufferin Islands in 2007). Not listed for Niagara by Zenkert (1934) or Riley (1989).		I			SE1	SAPINIDACEAE
Acer negundo L.	Manitoba Maple	С	Common, particularly in floodplains and disturbed areas. A weedy species which is commonly cultivated; some or all regional populations may be non-native.	С	С			S5	SAPINIDACEAE
Acer platanoides L.	Norway Maple	IC	Locally common, but undoubtedly overlooked, in disturbed woods (M.J. Oldham #32404, MICH, in 2006). A commonly planted species.	I	I			SE5	SAPINIDACEAE
Acer pseudoplatanus L.	Sycamore Maple	IR	Rare escape from cultivation (M.J. Oldham #32431, DAO, in 2006).	I				SE1	SAPINIDACEAE
Acer rubrum L.	Red Maple	С	Common in floodplains and wooded swamps. Hybridizes with Silver Maple to form <i>Acer x freemanii</i> .	С	С			S5	SAPINIDACEAE
Acer saccharinum L.	Silver Maple	С	Common in wet areas. Often a dominant in wooded swamps. Commonly planted.	С	С			S5	SAPINIDACEAE
Acer saccharum Marshall ssp. nigrum (Michaux f.) Desmarais	Black Maple	U	Widespread but rather local, particularly in floodplain forests. = $Acer nigrum$.	С	U			S4?	SAPINIDACEAE
Acer saccharum Marshall ssp. saccharum	Sugar Maple	С	Common and widespread in upland woods.	С	С			S5	SAPINIDACEAE
Acer spicatum Lam.	Mountain Maple	U		С	U			S5	SAPINIDACEAE
Acer x freemanii E. Murray	(A. rubrum X A. saccharinum)	hyb	Common in wooded swamps; probably much overlooked.	С	X			S5?	SAPINIDACEAE

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Achillea millefolium L.	Yarrow	С	A common species of open, disturbed areas. The species is probably both native (ssp. <i>lanulosa</i> (Nutt.) Piper) and introduced (ssp. <i>millefolium</i>) in Niagara, but the relative proportion of each is not well known.	I/N	I			S 5	ASTERACEAE
Acorus americanus (Raf.) Raf.	Sweet-flag	R	Most reports of A. calamus (a rare introduced European species) are actually this species, though A. calamus, the sterile European triploid, may also occur. The two are very difficult to distinguish (Packer and Ringius 1984).	R2	VU			S4	ACORACEAE
Actaea pachypoda Elliott	White Baneberry	С	Common in woodlands.	С	С			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Actaea racemosa L.	Black Cohosh	R	Recent records from two sites and several additional historically documented locations. M.J. Oldham #34128 (NHIC) from Four Mile Creek near Niagara-on-the-Lake in 2007. = Cimicifuga racemosa.	I	R3			S2	RANUNCULACEAE
Actaea rubra (Aiton) Willd.	Red Baneberry	С	Common in woodlands.	С	U			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Actaea x ludovici B. Boivin	(A. pachypoda X A. rubra)	hyb	An uncommon hybrid between two native species.	hyb				SE1	RANUNCULACEAE
Adiantum pedatum L.	Northern Maidenhair	U	Uncommon in rich woods.	С	С			S5	PTERIDACEAE
Adlumia fungosa (Aiton) E. Greene ex Britton	Climbing Fumitory	RH	A pre-1975 report from St. Johns Conservation Area (Niagara Falls Nature Club 1975) is the only regional report.	R1	RH			S4	PAPAVERACEAE
Aegilops cylindrica Host	Jointed Goat-grass	IR	Rare weed, first documented from Ontario near Port Colborne in 2006 (M.J. Oldham #32597, DAO, MICH, TRTE).					SE1	POACEAE
Aegopodium podagraria L.	Goutweed	IR	Rare escape from cultivation (B. Larson #91-199, TRT, from Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI in 1991).	I	I			SE4	APIACEAE
Aesculus glabra Willd. var. glabra	Ohio Buckeye	IR	Rare escape from cultivation (M.J. Oldham #32641, DAO, NHIC, from woods at Paradise Grove in 2006). Probably native in Canada only on Walpole Island (Darbyshire and Oldham 1985).	I				S1	SAPINIDACEAE

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Aesculus hippocastanum L.	Horse-chestnut	IU	An uncommon escape from cultivation.	I				SE2	SAPINIDACEAE
Agalinis paupercula (A. Gray) Britton	Small-flowered Agalinis	R	Moist Lake Erie shorelines; also known historically from along the Niagara River (W. Scott, TRT, in 1896).		VU			S4S5	OROBANCHACEAE
Agalinis tenuifolia (M. Vahl) Raf.	Slender-leaved Agalinis	R	Moist shorelines (M.J. Oldham #34966, DAO, from Fort Erie in 2007).	R1	C			S4S5	OROBANCHACEAE
Agastache nepetoides (L.) Kuntze	Yellow Giant Hyssop	R	Rare in rich woods. J. Jalava #91-187 (TRT) from 15 Mile-16 Mile Creek ANSI Connector in 1991.	R3	R2			S4	LAMIACEAE
Agastache scrophulariifolia (Willd.) Kuntze	Purple Giant Hyssop	RH	Recorded by John Macoun from both Niagara Glen and Queenston Heights. Macoun (CAN) in 1877.					S1	LAMIACEAE
Ageratina altissima (L.) King & Robinson	White Snakeroot	С	Common in upland woods. = Eupatorium rugosum.	C	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Agrimonia gryposepala Wallr.	Agrimony	С	Common in woods and scrub.	С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Agrimonia parviflora Aiton	Small-flowered Agrimony	R	Shrubby old fields, open woods, and edges, particularly in the Fort Erie area where collected as early as 1899 (M. Wilkes, TRT) and seen recently at several sites (e.g. M.J. Oldham #22228, MICH, from Marcy's Woods in 1999). Formerly considered rare in Ontario (Argus et al. 1982-1987).	R1				S4	ROSACEAE
Agrimonia pubescens Wallr.	Hairy Agrimony	R	B. Larson #91-611 (TRT) from Beamsville Escarpment ANSI in 1991. A few other records, though similar to A. gryposepala and perhaps somewhat overlooked.	U7	U			S4	ROSACEAE
AGROPYRON	see		ELYMUS, PASCOPYRUM, THINOPYRUM						POACEAE
Agrostemma githago L.	Corn-cockle	IH	Formerly more common in Ontario and Niagara (e.g. " often encountered in the fields and cultivated ground of the Parks", Hamilton 1943); no recent records.		I			SE3	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Agrostis gigantea Roth	Redtop	IC	Common and widespread. = Agrostis stolonifera var. major.	I	С			SE5	POACEAE

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Agrostis hyemalis (Walt.) B.S.P.	Winter Bent Grass	R	Found on Navy Island 2007 (M.J. Oldham #34717, DAO, MICH, NHIC); 2nd Ontario record (see Oldham et al. 1995). Very similar to A. scabra, which may be the basis for other regional reports (e.g. Jonsson-Ninniss and Middleton 1991).	1				S 1	POACEAE
Agrostis perennans (Walter) Tuckerman	Autumn Bent Grass	U	Moist or dry woods, frequently on sandy soil. Uncommon to rare in southwestern Ontario.	С	U			S5	POACEAE
Agrostis scabra Willd.	Rough Hair Grass	R	Widespread in southern Ontario in open, usually dry (at least periodically), sites, though much more local in southwestern Ontario, including Niagara.	R4	U			S 5	POACEAE
Agrostis stolonifera L.	Creeping Bent Grass	С	Common and widespread, generally in moist, disturbed places. Apparently both native and introduced in S Ontario (see Dore & McNeill 1980). = Agrostos alba, A. palustris.	С	U			S5	POACEAE
Ailanthus altissima (Miller) Swingle	Tree-of-Heaven	IR	Occasional weed, particularly in urban areas.	I				SE5	SIMAROUBACEAE
Ajuga reptans L.	Carpet Bugle	IR	Spreading from a lawn edge into adjacent woods at Dufferin Islands (M.J. Oldham #34286, DAO, MICH, NHIC, in 2007). Not listed for Niagara by Zenkert (1934) or Riley (1989).	1				SE2	LAMIACEAE
Alcea rosea L.	Hollyhock	IR	Rare escape from cultivation and occasionally persisting around abandoned habitations (Eckel 2001). Reported as early as 1888 (Day 1888, Panton 1890, Hamilton 1943; TRT). = Althaea rosea.	I	I			SE4	MALVACEAE

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Alisma gramineum Lej.	Narrow-leaved Water-plantain	R	Known from several sites along the Niagara River, where first collected by P.M. Eckel and R.H. Zander in 1987 (BUF). Also known from Point Abino (M.J. Oldham #8774, DAO, MICH, NHIC, in 1988). Formerly considered rare in Ontario (Argus et al. 1982-1987), though currently appears to be increasing in several parts of the province (Oldham and Brinker 2009).					S4	ALISMATACEAE
Alisma subcordatum Raf.	Southern Water- plantain	DD	Both A. subcordatum and A. triviale are known from Niagara, but the relative abundance of each is poorly known. These two species were formerly included in A. plantago-aquatica, which is reported from many Niagara sites (e.g. 383 records from 162 tracts in NAI database). = Alisma plantago-aquatica, in part, of regional reports.	?	?			S4?	ALISMATACEAE
Alisma triviale Pursh	Large-flowered Water-plantain	DD	Both <i>A. subcordatum</i> and <i>A. triviale</i> are known from Niagara, but the relative abundance of each is poorly known. These two species were formerly included in <i>A. plantago-aquatica</i> , which is reported from many Niagara sites (e.g. 383 records from 162 tracts in NAI database). = <i>Alisma plantago-aquatica</i> , in part, of regional reports.	?	?			S 5	ALISMATACEAE
Alliaria petiolata (M. Bieb.) Cavara & Grande	Garlic Mustard	IC	A widespread and common aggressive European weed of disturbed woodlands. Has greatly increased in abundance in recent decades; considered rare in the Niagara Frontier Region by Zenkert (1934). = Alliaria officinalis.	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Allium canadense L.	Wild Garlic	U	Local in moist wood, thickets, and meadows, particularly on floodplains.	С	С			S5	ALLIACEAE
Allium sativum L.	Garlic	IU	Uncommon escape from cultivation (M.J. Oldham #35259, MICH, NHIC, TRTE, from Port Colborne in 2008).	I	I			SE2	ALLIACEAE

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Allium schoenoprasum L.	WIld Chives	IR	Collected from "Niagara" by W.J. Potter (TRT) in 1908, where presumably an escape from cultivation. Recently collected from Pelham Township (A. Garofalo #5985, HAM, in 2008).	I				S4	ALLIACEAE
Allium tricoccum Aiton var. tricoccum	Wild Leek	U	Uncommon in rich woods, particularly along the Niagara Escarpment.	С	С			S5	ALLIACEAE
Allium vineale L.	Field Garlic	IU	Rare escape from cultivation (e.g. S. Varga #427-93, TRT, from Queenston Escarpment ANSI in 1993).	I	I			SE2	ALLIACEAE
Alnus glutinosa (L.) Gaertner	Black Alder	IU	An increasingly common European invasive of shorelines and other moist areas. For more information on the spread of this tree along the Niagara River see Eckel (2003).	I	I			SE4	BETULACEAE
Alnus incana (L.) Moench ssp. rugosa (Duroi) Clausen	Speckled Alder	U	Uncommon in moist areas. Alder swamp is a locally rare vegetation community in Niagara. = Alnus rugosa.	С	U			S5	BETULACEAE
Alopecurus aequalis Sobol.	Short-awned Foxtail	R	Rare and local in moist open areas.	R4	U			S4S5	POACEAE
Alopecurus geniculatus L.	Geniculate Foxtail	IR	Rare weed of moist lawns, ditches, parks, and other open, grassy areas (Oldham et al. 1995). Appears to have increased in abundance in the past few decades (M.J. Oldham #25295, DAO, in 2001).					SE3	POACEAE
Alopecurus pratensis L.	Meadow Foxtail	IR	Uncommon on roadsides, grassed parks, pastures, especially in moist areas. Perhaps somewhat overlooked due to its superficial resemblance to Timothy (<i>Phleum pratense</i>).	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
ALTHAEA	see		ALCEA						MALVACEAE
Alyssum alyssoides (L.) L.	Pale Alyssum	IR	Rare weed in dry, open ground.	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Amaranthus albus L.	Tumbling Pigweed	IR	Rare weed of disturbed open areas. W. Scott (TRT) in 1898.	I	I			SE5	AMARANTHACEAE
Amaranthus blitoides S. Watson	Prostrate Pigweed	IR	Rare weed of disturbed open areas. = Amaranthus graecizans.	I				SE4?	AMARANTHACEAE

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Amaranthus blitum L. ssp. emarginatus (Moq. ex Uline & Bray) Carretero et al.	Purple Amaranth	IR	Recently collected from disturbed ground in St. Catherines (C.J. Rothfels #2015, HAM, in 2005) and from Dufferin Islands (M.J. Oldham #35075, DAO, NHIC, WLU, in 2007), where it grew as a lawn weed. Rare introduction in Canada; this variety is not listed for Ontario by Costea and Tardiff (2003). A collection from Fort Erie (P.M. Eckel #8911158, BUF, in 1988, as <i>A. lividus</i>) may belong to ssp. <i>emarginatus</i> or ssp. <i>blitum</i> , which is also a rare introduction in Ontario.	1				SE1	AMARANTHACEAE
Amaranthus caudatus L.	Amaranth	IR	A Niagara R.M. collection (W.R. Elliss 1844, OAC, in 1940 from Stamford) cited by Costea and Tardif (2003). Not listed for Niagara by Zenkert (1934) or Riley (1989).	1				SEH	AMARANTHACEAE
Amaranthus cruentus L.	Love-lies-bleeding	IR	C. Schaefer #91-22 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991 is the only known Niagara record.					SEH	AMARANTHACEAE
Amaranthus hybridus L.	Smooth Pigweed	IR	Rare weed (H. & R. Axtell, BUF, from Fort Erie in 1967).	I				SE5?	AMARANTHACEAE
Amaranthus palmeri S. Wats.	Careless Weed	IR	Single record from Niagara Falls railway yard (M.J. Oldham #34922, WLU, in 2007). Rare weed in Ontario, with no Canadian specimens seen by Costea and Tardiff (2003).	1				SE1	AMARANTHACEAE
Amaranthus powellii S. Watson	Green Pigweed	IR	Native to western North America, but an increasingly common agricultural weed in southern Ontario, though still known from few Niagara records (M.J. Oldham #35029, WLU, from Rockway Conservation Area in 2007).	I	I			SE5	AMARANTHACEAE
Amaranthus retroflexus L.	Redroot Pigweed	IC	A common weed of agricultural land and other disturbed open areas.	I	I			SE5	AMARANTHACEAE
Amaranthus tuberculatus (Moq.) J.D. Sauer	Water-hemp	R	Rare in moist open areas. Often on moist mudflats. C. Schaefer #91-21 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991. = Acnida altissima.	R2	VU			S4	AMARANTHACEAE

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Ambrosia artemisiifolia L.	Common Ragweed	С	A common weed of agricultural areas, roadsides, and other disturbed, open areas. A native species, but always found in disturbed, usually weedy situations.	С	С			S 5	ASTERACEAE
Ambrosia trifida L.	Giant Ragweed	С	Common weedy species of disturbed open areas.	R4	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Amelanchier amabalis Wieg.	Beautiful Serviceberry	RH	A collection from Niagara Glen (J.K. Morton, WAT, in 1971) is the only known Niagara record. = A. sanguinea var. grandiflora.					S2S3	ROSACEAE
Amelanchier arborea (Michaux f.) Fern.	Downy Serviceberry	С	Common in woodlands.	С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Amelanchier humilis Wieg.	Low Serviceberry	R	Open limestone flats (alvar) above Niagara Glen (M.J. Oldham #32366, DAO, NHIC, in 2006).		R4			S4S5	ROSACEAE
Amelanchier laevis Wieg.	Smooth Juneberry	U	Uncommon in woodlands.	С	?			S5	ROSACEAE
Amelanchier sanguinea (Pursh) DC.	Juneberry	R	Rare in rocky woods; known from several sites along the Niagara Escarpment (e.g. S. Varga #91-82, TRT, from Decew Valley in 1991). Point Abino (TRTE; Macdonald 1990).	U10	VU			S5?	ROSACEAE
Amelanchier spicata (Lam.) K. Koch	Running Serviceberry	R	Rocky areas along the Escarpment and Niagara River (C. Schaefer #91- 84, TRT, from 16 Mile Creek ANSI in 1991). = Amelanchier stolonifera.	R3	U			S4?	ROSACEAE
Ammophila breviligulata Fern.	American Beach Grass	R	Found in a few sandy shoreline sites on Lake Erie (e.g. M.J. Oldham #7883, DAO, from Sherkston Beach in 1987). In the Great Lakes region restricted to sandy Great Lakes shorelines (Guire and Voss 1963).	R2	VU			S4	POACEAE
Amorpha fruticosa L.	False Indigo	IR	Collected from a roadside at Windmill Point by J.D. Ambrose in 1983 (UWO). A rare escape from cultivation in southern Ontario.	I				SE2	FABACEAE
Amphicarpaea bracteata (L.) Fern.	Hog-peanut	С	Common.	С	С			S5	FABACEAE

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Anagallis arvensis L.	Scarlet Pimpernel	IR	A rare weed of roadsides and other open disturbed areas (M.J. Oldham #18139, MICH, from Montrose Railway Yard, Niagara Falls, in 1995).	I	I			SE4	MYRSINACEAE
Anaphalis margaritacea (L.) Benth. & Hook.f. ex C.B. Clarke	Pearly Everlasting	R	Early reports from the Niagara River area (Cameron 1890, 1895); more recently reported from St. John's Valley (Riley et al. 1996).	R2	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Anchusa arvensis (L.) M. Bieb.	Blue Bugloss	IH	A rare weed known from several early reports (Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943). T.J. Ivey (TRT) from Niagara Glen in 1907. = <i>Lycopsis arvensis</i> .	I				SE3	BORAGINACEAE
Andromeda polifolia L. var. latifolia Aiton	Bog-Rosemary	RH	Several literature reports, e.g. '''a sphagnous swamp, near Black Creek, Ontario, a few miles south of Chippawa' (Day 1888); and ''reported from the [Niagara] Parks System' (Hamilton 1943). Mapped from Niagara by Soper and Heimburger (1982). = Andromeda glaucophylla, A. polifolia var. glaucophylla.	R1	R1			S5	ERICACEAE
ANDROPOGON	see also		SCHIZACHYRIUM						POACEAE
Andropogon gerardii Vitman	Big Bluestem	U	Dry, open ground such as prairies, shorelines, roadsides, and railways.	U9	С			S4	POACEAE
Andropogon virginicus L. var. virginicus	Broom-sedge	R	Dry, open disturbed ground such as old fields, roadsides and railways. First collected in Niagara by P.M. Catling and J.L. Riley (CAN, DAO, TRT) from the Fort Erie railway yard in 1976 (Catling et al. 1977).		VU			S4	POACEAE
Anemone acutiloba (DC.) Lawson	Sharp-lobed Hepatica	U	Uncommon in woods. = Hepatica acutiloba.	С	С			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Anemone americana (DC.) Hara	Round-lobed Hepatica	R	This species is much rarer than A. acutiloba in Niagara. It prefers woods on acidic sand and there are often only a few individuals at a site. = Hepatica americana.	C	C			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Anemone canadensis L.	Canada Anemone	C	Common	C	U			S5	RANUNCULACEAE

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Anemone cylindrica A. Gray	Long-fruited Thimbleweed	R	Known from several early reports and observed in the Niagara Glen and Whirlpool by S. Varga in 1989 (Varga and Kor 1993).	U9	U			S4	RANUNCULACEAE
Anemone quinquefolia L. var. quinquefolia	Wood Anemone	С	Common.	С	С			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Anemone virginiana L. var. alba (Oakes) Wood	Thimbleweed	R	Reported from a few sites (e.g. P.M. Eckel, BUF, from the Whirlpool in 1987). = Anemone riparia.					S4?	RANUNCULACEAE
Anemone virginiana L. var. virginiana	Thimbleweed	С	Common.	С	С			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
ANEMONELLA	see		THALICTRUM						RANUNCULACEAE
Angelica atropurpurea L.	Angelica	R	A few records, mainly along the Niagara River (e.g. " found in the Parks at several marshy places along the River", Hamilton 1943). C.J. Rothfels #1482 (HAM) from Navy Island in 2004.	U6	C			S5	APIACEAE
Anoda cristata (L.) Schldl.	Crested Anoda	IH	Collected near St. Catherines in 1897 (Montgomery 1957).					SE1	MALVACEAE
Antennaria howellii E. Greene	Pussytoes	R	Status poorly known, though apparently rare. Reported from several sites (e.g. " in great patches in the grasslands along the Boulevard between Niagara Falls and Paradise Grove" Hamilton 1943; P.M. Eckel, BUF, near Queenston in 1988). Perhaps somewhat overlooked due to the similarity with A. neglecta. = Antennaria neodioica.	R2	C			85	ASTERACEAE
Antennaria neglecta E. Greene	Pussytoes	С	Common in dry, open situations.	С	-			S5	ASTERACEAE
Antennaria parlinii Fern. ssp. fallax (E. Greene) R.J. Bayer & Stebb.	Plantain-leaved Everlasting	U	Uncommon in dry open ground. = <i>A</i> . <i>plantaginifolia</i> .	С	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Anthemis arvensis L.	Corn Chamomile	IR	Rare. Reported from everal sites near Niagara Falls (e.g. Gregory 2005). M.J. Oldham #34352 (TRTE) from Port Colborne in 2007.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE

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Anthemis cotula L.	Stinking Mayweed	IR	Rare weed of dry, open ground. M.J. Oldham #34904 (TRTE), from Wainfleet Wetlands Conservation Area in 2007.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Anthoxanthum odoratum L.	Sweet Vernal Grass	IR	Rare in disturbed open ground. M.J. Oldham #23277 (DAO) from Marcy's Woods in 2000.		I			SE4	POACEAE
Anthriscus cerefolium (L.) Hoffm.	Wild Chervil	IH	A rare Eurasian introduction reported from Niagara (TRT) by Scoggan (1978-1979); no subsequent records.					SE1	APIACEAE
Apera interrupta (L.) Beauv.	Dense Silky-bent	IR	Collected along a railway line in Port Colborne in 2007 (M.J. Oldham #34349, DAO). See Oldham et al. (1985).					SE2	POACEAE
Apios americana Medikus	Groundnut	U	Uncommon.	U7	С			S5	FABACEAE
Aplectrum hyemale (Muhlenb. ex Willd.) Nutt	Putty-root	RH	Collected from Foster's Flats (Niagara Glen) in 1891 (J. Macoun #2663, CAN) and from the Niagara River Whirlpool in 1898 and 1899 (W. Scott, TRT); no subsequent Niagara reports.	RH	R5			S2	ORCHIDACEAE
Apocynum androsaemifolium L. ssp. androsaemifolium	Spreading Dogbane	С	Common.	С	С			S5	APOCYNACEAE
Apocynum cannabinum L. var. cannabinum	Indian Hemp	С	Common.	С	С			S5	APOCYNACEAE
Apocynum cannabinum L. var. hypericifolium A. Gray	Clasping-leaved Dogbane	R	W. Scott (TRT) from Niagara Falls in 1898. Collected from the Pt. Abino Peninsula by Macdonald (1990). = Apocynum sibiricum.		VU			S4?	APOCYNACEAE
Aquilegia canadensis L.	Wild Columbine	U	Uncommon in woodlands.	C	U			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Aquilegia vulgaris L.	Garden Columbine	IR	Rare escape from cultivation, e.g. M.J. Oldham sight record from Niagara Glen in 2006; near St. Catherines in 1981 A.A. Reznicek in 1981 (pers. comm. 2010).	I	I			SE3	RANUNCULACEAE
Arabidopsis lyrata (L.) O'Kane & Al-Shehbaz	Lyre-leaved Rock- cress	R	Rare on sand dunes and in sandy open woodlands, also on calcareous rock along the Niagara River. M.J. Oldham #23281 (MICH) from Marcy's Woods in 2000. = Arabis lyrata.		U			S4	BRASSICACEAE

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Arabidopsis thaliana (L.) Heynh.	Mouse-ear Cress	IR	A rather rare weed, frequently of sandy sites. M.J. Oldham #23260 (TRT) from Marcy's Woods in 2000.	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
ARABIS	see also		ARABIDOPSIS, BOECHERA, TURRITIS						BRASSICACEAE
Arabis caucasica Schlecht.	Wall Rock-cress	IR	Spreading locally from gardens (P.M. Eckel #13285, BUF, near the Lewiston-Queenston International Bridge). = Arabis alpina ssp. caucasica.	I				SE2	BRASSICACEAE
Arabis pycnocarpa M. Hopkins var. adpressipilis (M. Hopkins) Al-Shehbaz	Hairy Rock-cress	RH	Heimburger (1955) reports collections of var. adpressipilis from Niagara Glen in 1902 (Wm. Scott, TRT) and 1907 (T.J. Ivey, TRT), most other regional reports do not mention which variety is involved. Var. adpresipilis is provincially rare (Oldham and Brinker 2009) and has recently been collected in Hamilton (N. Iwanycki pers. comm.). = Arabis hirsuta var. adpressipilis.	R3				S1	BRASSICACEAE
Arabis pycnocarpa M. Hopkins var. pycnocarpa	Hairy Rock-cress	R	Rare, generally in sandy open woods. M.J. Oldham #23260 (TRTE) from Marcy's Woods in 2000. = Arabis hirsuta ssp. pycnocarpa.	R1	R1			S5	BRASSICACEAE
Aralia hispida Vent.	Bristly Sarsaparilla	R	Rare in southwestern Ontario and in Niagara known only from Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992). M.J. Oldham #9267 (TRTE) in 1989.		R1			S5	ARALIACEAE
Aralia nudicaulis L.	Wild Sarsaparilla	С	Common in upland woods.	С	С			S5	ARALIACEAE
Aralia racemosa L. ssp. racemosa	Spikenard	U	Uncommon in rich wods.	С	С			S5	ARALIACEAE
Aralia spinosa L.	Hercules' Club	IH	Several early records from the Niagara Falls area (Cameron 1895; W. Scott, TRT, NIagara Falls in 1898). Hamilton (1943; as A. spinosa) reports that it " occurs at a few stations in the [Niagara Parks] System". According to Morton and Venn (1990), Ontario reports of A. spinosa are actually A. elata.					SE1	ARALIACEAE
Arctium lappa L.	Great Burdock	IU	Uncommon in open disturbed ground.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE

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Arctium minus (Hill) Bernh.	Common Burdock	IC	Common weed of open disturbed ground. Both ssp. <i>minus</i> and ssp. <i>nemorosum</i> are reported in the NAI database, with the former being more common (268 reports vs. 14 reports).	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi (L.) Sprengel	Bear-berry	RH	Many early reports from the Niagara Falls and Niagara Glen areas (e.g. Clinton 1864, Day 1882, Cameron 1895, Zenkert 1934, Hamilton 1943; T.J. Ivey, TRT, Niagara Glen in 1907), though no recent records. Also known historically from Point Abino (e.g. C.A. Zenkert, BUF, in 1931) though not seen in more recent surveys (e.g. Yaki 1970, Macdonald 1990).		R2			85	ERICACEAE
ARENARIA	see also		MOEHRINGIA						CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Arenaria serpyllifolia L. var. serpyllifolia	Thyme-leaved Sandwort	IU	Uncommon European weed of disturbed open ground.	I	I			SE5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
ARGENTINA	see		POTENTILLA						ROSACEAE
Arisaema dracontium (L.) Schott	Green Dragon	R	Rare in rich floodplain woods. M.J. Oldham #23293 (TRT) from Frenchman's Creek, Fort Erie, in 2000.	R4	VU	SC	SC	S3	ARACEAE
Arisaema triphyllum (L.) Schott ssp. triphyllum	Jack-in-the-pulpit	С	Common in woods.	С	С			S5	ARACEAE
Aristida dichotoma Michaux	Churchmouse Three-awn	IR	The first Ontario record of this species is an 1880 collection from Port Colborne (J.C. McRae, MTMG), which may have been from a native population, though no habitat data are recorded on the specimen. Refound in Ontario by Catling et al. (1977) in 1976 at a Fort Erie railway yard (P.M. Catling, CAN, DAO, TRT) where still present in 2007 (M.J. Oldham #34863, TRTE). Although this species is a rare native plant in southeastern Ontario (Brownell et al. 1996), there are currently no known native populations in the Niagara area.					S1	POACEAE

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Aristida oligantha Michaux	Prairie Three-awn	IR	A rare weed along railways (Oldham et al. 1995). Known in Ontario only from the Carolinian Zone, where first collected in 1976 by P.M. Catling and J.L. Riley (CAN, DAO, TRT) in a Fort Erie railway yard (Catling et al. 1977), and still present in 2007 (M.J. Oldham #34864, TRT).	I				SE2	POACEAE
ARMORACEA	see also		RORIPPA						BRASSICACEAE
Armoracia rusticana (Lam.) P. Gaertner, Meyer & Scherb.	Horseradish	IR	Rare weed of disturbed areas. M.J. Oldham # 35203 (HAM) in 2008. = Armoracia lapathifolia.		I			SE4	BRASSICACEAE
Aronia melanocarpa (Michaux) Elliott	Chokeberry	U	Uncommon in dry or moist woods, thickets, and openings. M.J. Oldham #23299 (MICH), Frenchman's Creek near Fort Erie, in 2000. A taxonomically difficult group, here including <i>Aronia prunifolia</i> and <i>Aronia arbutifolia</i> of regional reports. = <i>Photinia melanocarpa</i> .	C	U			\$5	ROSACEAE
Arrhenatherum elatius (L.) P. Beauv. ex J.S. & C. Presl	Tall Oat Grass	IU	Uncommon in open, disturbed ground along roadsides and railways. M.J. Oldham #7843 (DAO) from Fort Erie in 1987.	I				SE4	POACEAE
Artemisia absinthium L.	Absinth	IR	A rare weed of roadsides and other open disturbed areas.	I				SE3?	ASTERACEAE
Artemisia annua L.	Annual Wormwood	IH	An infrequent introduction which apparently does not persist in Ontario (Montgomery 1957). W. Scott (TRT) from Niagara Falls in 1906.					SE1	ASTERACEAE
Artemisia biennis Willd.	Biennial Wormwood	IU	Uncommon weed of open disturbed sites, often on shorelines. M.J. Oldham #33902 (DAO, TRTE) from Dufferin Islands in 2006.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Artemisia campestris L. ssp. caudata (Michaux) H.M. Hall & Clements	Sagewort Wormwood	R	A rare species of sandy areas along the Lake Erie shoreline. D. Goldman #2372 (HAM) from Marcy's Woods in 2002. = Artemisia caudata.		U			S4S5	ASTERACEAE
Artemisia vulgaris L.	Mugwort	IU	Uncommon weed of roadsides and other open disturbed areas.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE

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Asarum canadense L.	Wild-ginger	С	Rare on the Haldimand Clay Plain, frequent only along escarpment woods or sandy ravines and valley slopes. Uncommon-common along the Niagara Escarpment and steep valley slopes of the Fonthill Delta Kame. On the clay plain, it is almost restricted to the Onondaga Escarpment and associated bedrock plains.	С	С			S 5	ARISTOLOCHIACEAE
Asclepias exaltata L.	Poke Milkweed	R	Rare in open, often sandy woods. Very localized, and often only a few plants are found at each locality. Reported from four Niagara Escarpment sites by Riley et al. (1996). G.H. Hamilton (NFO, det. M.J. Oldham in 2007) from Niagara Glen in 1943.	С	C			S4	APOCYNACEAE
Asclepias incarnata L. ssp. incarnata	Swamp Milkweed	С	Common in open wet areas.	C	C			S5	APOCYNACEAE
Asclepias quadrifolia Jacq.	Four-leaved Milkweed	RH	Known historically from several sites along the Niagara River (CAN, DAO, MICH, TRT) though no records since 1956. Formerly "very abundant in the open woods opposite the [Niagara] Glen" (Hamilton 1943). Thought to be extirpated in Canada until rediscovered in southeastern Ontario in 2006.					S1	APOCYNACEAE
Asclepias syriaca L.	Common Milkweed	С	Common in more or less open disturbed areas.	С	С			S5	APOCYNACEAE
Asclepias tuberosa L.	Butterfly-weed	R	Rare in open, dry sandy areas. Most records are in the Niagara Falls area. M.J. Oldham #32892 (DAO) from Niagara Glen in 2006.	U6	С			S4	APOCYNACEAE
Asclepias verticillata L.	Whorled Milkweed	RH	Known from Niagara Falls and the Whirlpool since the late 1800s (Zenkert 1934) and seen there as recently as 1976 (A.A. Reznicek, TRTE). Not relocated during surveys in 1989 (Varga and Kor 1993) or 2006 (Oldham 2007).		R1			S4	APOCYNACEAE

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Asclepias viridiflora Raf.	Green Milkweed	RH	No specimens have been located to substantiate literature reports from the late 1800s from Niagara Falls (Macoun 1884) and the Niagara Parks System (Cameron 1895).		R2			S2	APOCYNACEAE
Asimina triloba (L.) Dunal	Pawpaw	R	A rare woodland shrub. Although historically recorded from several sites along the Niagara River, Niagara Escarpment and elsewhere in the region (Bowden and Miller 1951), recent records are few (e.g. M.J. Oldham #33974, DAO, from Navy Island in 2006). Many populations have been eliminated from the Niagara Region (Argus et al. 1982-1987).		R1			83	ANNONACEAE
Asparagus officinalis L.	Garden Asparagus	IC	Common weed of open disturbed ground.	I	I			SE5	ASPARAGACEAE
Asplenium platyneuron (L.) Britton, Sterns & Poggenb.	Ebony Spleenwort	R	Rare and local in old fields, conifer plantations, and disturbed woods. Most common on the Niagara Escarpment. Apears to be spreading in the Great Lakes area (Wagner and Johnson 1981). C. Schaefer #91-17 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991.	U7	U			S4	ASPLENIACEAE
Asplenium rhizophyllum L.	Walking Fern	R	Limestone boulders in woods along the Niagara Escarpment. S. Varga #91-58 (TRT) from Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI in 1991. = Camptosorus rhizophyllus.	U9				S4	ASPLENIACEAE
Asplenium trichomanes L. ssp. quadrivalens D.E. Mey.	Tetraploid Maidenhair Spleenwort	R	Limestone boulders and cliffs along the Niagara Escarpment. J. Jalava #91-73 (TRT) from Fifteen Mile Creek ANSI in 1991.	R2	1			S5	ASPLENIACEAE
ASTER	see		DOELLINGERIA, EURYBIA, SOLIDAGO, SYMPHYOTRICHUM						ASTERACEAE

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Astragalus canadensis L.	Canada Milk-vetch	R	Several early reports from the Niagara Falls area (Panton 1890, Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943). A 2007 sight record (M.J. Oldham et al.) from Thunder Bay Beach on Lake Erie.	R4	R2			S4	FABACEAE
Astragalus neglectus (Torrey & A. Gray) Sheldon	Cooper's Milk-vetch	RH	Several early reports (e.g. Cameron 1895) and collections (e.g. M. Wilkes, TRT, in 1897) from the Niagara Falls, Niagara Glen, and Niagara River Whirlpool areas. No recent records. = Astragalus cooperi.		R2			S3	FABACEAE
ATHYRIUM	see also		DEPARIA, DIPLAZIUM						WOODSIACEAE
Athyrium filix-femina (L.) Roth ssp. angustum (Willd.) Clausen	Northeastern Lady Fern	С	A common woodland fern.	С	С			S5	WOODSIACEAE
Atriplex heterosperma Bunge	Russian Atriplex	IR	Locally common weed along Hwy. 401 in the Toronto to Kingston area. Probably increasing and spreading along roadways. First collected in Niagara in 2006 (M.J. Oldham #33946, DAO, Hwy. 405 at Portage Road). = Atriplex micrantha.					SE4	AMARANTHACEAE
Atriplex patula L.	Spearscale	IU	An uncommon weed of disturbed open sites. Although sometimes considered native (e.g. Morton and Venn 1990) it invariably occurs in disturbed habitats and is treated as a relatively recent introduction from Eurasia by Bassett et al. (1983) and FNA (Vol. 4, 2003). Regional records of <i>Atriplex littoralis</i> and <i>A. dioica</i> (= <i>A. subspicata</i>) require further verification of specimens and may be based on atypical plants of <i>A. patula</i> .	U6	I			SE5	AMARANTHACEAE

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Atriplex prostrata Boucher ex DC.	Halberd-leaved Atriplex	IR	A weedy halophyte of roadsides and other moist open disturbed ground. Known from several early records (e.g. Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943; W. Scott (TRT) from Niagara Falls in 1898), but no recent reports, though quite likely still present in the region. = Atriplex hastata of regional reports.	R3				S 5	AMARANTHACEAE
Atriplex rosea L.	Saltbush	IH	The only regional record is a 1911 report from Lincoln County (Montgomery 1957).	1				SE1	AMARANTHACEAE
Aureolaria flava (L.) Farw.	Yellow False Foxglove	RH	Rare in rich, sandy upland woods. Known from early records from various sites (Niagara Gorge, Niagara River Whirlpool, Queenston, Jordan Station, Niagara Falls; Cameron 1895, Zenkert 1934, Soper 1962; specimens at CAN, OAC, QK, TRT), though the only relatively recent Niagara record is from 1979 (S. Varga, TRT) at the Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI (Varga et al. 1992). = Gerardia flava.	R3	RH			S2?	OROBANCHACEAE
Aureolaria pedicularia (L.) Raf.	Fern-leaved False Foxglove	RH	Formerly "abundant in the woods at Paradise Grove" (Hamilton 1943), and collected at Niagara-on-the-Lake (perhaps at Paradise Grove) as recently as 1952 (B. Miller, HAM). Also known historically from St. Catherines (W.C. McCalla, CAN, in 1897), Queenston (W. Scott, TRT, in 1898), and Jordan Harbour (J.E. Simmon, TRT, in 1937). No regeional reports since 1952. = Gerardia pedicularia.	R1	R4			S2?	OROBANCHACEAE

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Aureolaria virginica (L.) Pennell	Downy False Foxglove	RH	Formerly "very common in the woods between the School and Brock's Monument" (Hamilton 1943). Historically known from Niagara Glen, where last collected in 1939 (NFO, det. M.J. Oldham 2006), and St. Davids where last collected in 1945 (W.J. Cody, DAO, TRT). No regional reports since 1945. = Gerardia virginica.	R2	R1			S1	OROBANCHACEAE
Avena fatua L.	Wild Oats	IR	A rare weed which does not persist for long outside cultivation in southern Ontario. Reported by Panton (1890) from Queen Victoria Park, Niagara Falls, and seen at three sites in Wainfleet Township during NAI fieldwork (NAI database).		I			SE3	POACEAE
Avena sativa L.	Cultivated Oats	IH	Rare remnant from cultivation, usually not persisting. The only regional record is a report by Hamilton (1943) " known to occur in the Parks".		С			SE3	POACEAE
Azolla caroliniana Willd.	Mosquito Fern	R	A small free-floating aquatic fern collected by C. Rothfels from Jordan Harbour (HAM) in 2002 and by A. Garofalo from Lyon's Creek in 2007 (HAM). Found in 2006 from Black Creek near the QEW in Fort Erie where the species overwintered and persisted through at least two growing seasons. Since there are no historical records from the Niagara R.M. (though there are from adjacent New York state, Eckel 2001), these records might represent recent colonizations, perhaps due to transport by waterfowl. Azolla is also common in the aquatic garden trade and recent records may be due to throwouts from ponds or aquaria.	R1				S1?	SALVINIACEAE

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Baptisia tinctoria (L.) R. Br.	Yellow Wild-indigo	RH	The only verified regional record is a J. Dearness collection (DAO) from Niagara-on-the-lake in 1891.		RH			S2	FABACEAE
Barbarea vulgaris R. Br.	Winter Cress	IC	Common weed.	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Bartonia virginica (L.) Britton, Sterns & Poggenb.	Virginia Bartonia	R	Known in Niagara only from Wainfleet Bog, where first reported by Yaki (1970) and collected (MTMG) in 1976 and 1989 by I.D. Macdonald (1992). Seen recently at Wainfleet Bog (M. Browning pers. comm. 2010).		R1			S2	GENTIANACEAE
Bellis perennis L.	English Daisy	IR	Rare lawn weed. M.J. Oldham #34036 (DAO) from the Niagara Parkway in 2007.					SE5	ASTERACEAE
Berberis aquifolium Pursh	Oregon Grape	IR	The only regional record is from Fifteen- Sixteen Mile Creek Valleys ANSI in 1991 (J.V. Jalava, TRT; Jalava et al. 1992). = Mahonia aquifolia.	I				SE1	BERBERIDACEAE
Berberis thunbergii DC.	Japanese Barberry	IC	Fairly common weed in disturbed woods.	I	I			SE5	BERBERIDACEAE
Berberis vulgaris L.	Common Barberry	IC	Fairly common weed in disturbed woods, though much less common locally than <i>B. thunbergii</i> .	I	I			SE5	BERBERIDACEAE
Berteroa incana (L.) DC.	Hoary False Madwort	IR	Rare weed of disturbed open ground. First Niagara report from Port Colborne in 2007 (M.J. Oldham #34340, DAO).	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Betula alleghaniensis Britton	Yellow Birch	С	Common forest tree, often occurring as a co-dominant with Sugar Maple. On moister sites, often with Hemlock. = Betula lutea.	С	С			S5	BETULACEAE

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Betula lenta L.	Cherry Birch	R	An endangered species known in Canada only from Port Dalhousie, where still present, and historically from the Niagara Glen (R. Dell, NFO, in 1953; T. Laviolette, NFO, in 1979; both det. M.J. Oldham 2007). Recent attempts to relocate the species at Niagara Glen have been unsucessful (Oldham 2007), however the species may still be present in woods along the Niagara River or elsewhere in the Region. See COSEWIC (2006b). Similar to Betula alleghaniensis.	ł		END	END	S1	BETULACEAE
Betula papyrifera Marshall	Paper Birch	C	Common woodland tree.	C	C			S5	BETULACEAE
Betula pendula Roth	Weeping Birch	IU	An uncommon weed of moist open areas such as abandoned gravel pits. Sometimes also in woodland edges near suburban areas. Occasionally an aggressive weed in natural areas, such as Wainfleet Bog (Jonsson-Ninniss and Middleton 1991).	I				SE4	BETULACEAE
Bidens beckii Torrey ex Sprengel	Aquatic Beggarticks	RH	Old records only: Ontario: "Niagara River above the falls. (David F. Day.) Chippewa (Maclagan.)" Macoun (1884). Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). "" reported from the Parks" Hamilton (1943). = Megalodonta beckii.	R1	R1			S 5	ASTERACEAE
Bidens cernua L.	Nodding Beggarticks	С	Common in wetlands. Local reports of <i>Bidens laevis</i> (e.g. Day 1888, Panton 1890, Cameron 1895), a species not reliably known from Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990), probably belong here.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE

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Bidens connata Muhlenb.	Connate Beggar-ticks	DD	Local status poorly known due to confusion with other <i>Bidens</i> species, particularly <i>B. tripartita</i> within which it is often included (e.g. Morton and Venn 1990). If treated as a single species (<i>Bidens tripartita</i>), this entity is common in Niagara, however if treated as two separate species (as is done in FNA Vol. 21) the relative abundance of <i>B. connata</i> and <i>B. tripartita</i> is poorly known, though both are reliably known to occur in the Region. M.J. Oldham #23153 (MICH) from Marcy's Woods in 1999.	?	?			S4?	ASTERACEAE
Bidens discoidea (Torrey & A. Gray) Britton	Small Beggarticks	R	Rare, but easily overlooked, primarily in wooded swamps. Similar to the more common <i>B. frondosus</i> . Considered rare in Ontario by Argus et al. (1982-1987), but the discovery of additional populations has resulted in its removal from the list of provincially rare plants (Oldham and Brinker 2009).	R3	U			S4	ASTERACEAE
Bidens frondosa L.	Devil's Beggarticks	С	Common in wetlands.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Bidens trichosperma (Michaux) Britton	Southern Tickseed	R	Rare in open wetlands. M.J. Oldham #8784 (DAO, TRTE) from Wainfleet Bog in 1988. = Bidens coronata.		U			S2	ASTERACEAE
Bidens tripartita L.	Beggarticks	DD	Local status poorly known due to confusion with other <i>Bidens</i> species, particularly <i>B. connata</i> with which it is often combined (e.g. Morton and Venn 1990). If treated as a single species (<i>Bidens tripartita</i>), this entity is common in Niagara, however if treated as two separate species (as is done in FNA Vol. 21) the relative abundance of <i>B. connata</i> and <i>B. tripartita</i> is poorly known, though both are reliably known to occur in the Region. M.J. Oldham #23189 (MICH) from near Port Colborne in 1999. = <i>Bidens comosa</i> .	С	С			S 5	ASTERACEAE
Bidens vulgata E. Greene	Tall Beggarticks	U	Wetlands.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE

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BILDERDYKIA	see		POLYGONUM						POLYGONACEAE
Boechera canadensis (L.) Al-Shehbaz	Sickle-pod	R	Rare in woods, particularly on the Escarpment. B. Larson #91-491 (TRT) from Beamsville Escarpment in 1991. = Arabis canadensis.	U9	VU			S4	BRASSICACEAE
Boechera grahamii (Lehmann) Windham & Al-Shehbaz	Divaricate Rock- cress	R	Rare in rocky woods. Several collections from Niagara Glen at TRT, most recently from 1950. Also known from Point Abino (Macdonald 1990). = <i>Arabis divaricarpa</i> of regional reports.	R3				S 5	BRASSICACEAE
Boechera laevigata (Muhlenb. ex Willd.) Al- Shehbaz	Smooth Rock-cress	U	Uncommon in woods. Reported from 11 of 16 Niagara Escarpment sites (Riley et al. 1996) and several sites along the Niagara River (Oldham 2007), rare elsewhere and not encountered during NAI surveys (NAI database). = Arabis laevigata.	U6	С			S 5	BRASSICACEAE
Boechera stricta (Graham) Al-Shehbaz	Drummond's Rock- cress	R	Old records from the Niagara Falls area and recent records from Point Abino (Macdonald 1990) and Macy's Woods (M.J. Oldham #23280, MICH, in 2000). = Arabis drummondii.		R1			S4	BRASSICACEAE
Boehmeria cylindrica (L.) Sw.	False-nettle	С	A fairly common species of moist shaded woods.	С	С			S5	URTICACEAE
Bolboschoenus fluviatilis (Torrey) Sojak	Bulrush	R	Marshes and shorelines, where typically uncommon or rare. Colonies are frequently entirely vegetative making it easily overlooked. M.J. Oldham #32719 (MICH) from Windmill Point in 2006. = Schoenoplectus fluviatilis, Scirpus fluviatilis.	R3	VU			S4	CYPERACEAE
Botrychium dissectum Sprengel	Dissected Grapefern	U	Both the dissected-leaved (forma dissectum) and entire-leaved (forma obliquum) forms are known from Niagara.	U9	С			S 5	OPHIOGLOSSACEAE
Botrychium lanceolatum (S. Gmelin) Angstrom ssp. angustisegmentum (Pease & Moore) Clausen	Narrow Triangle Moonwort	R	An 1893 collection from Niagara Falls (R. Cameron, CAN) and reported from Short Hills Sanctuary (Rabenda 1991).		R3			S3?	OPHIOGLOSSACEAE

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Botrychium matricariifolium (Doll) A. Braun	Daisy-leaf Moonwort	R	Locally common in woodlands in parts of southern Ontario though apparently rare in Niagara. Reported by Cameron (1895) from Queen Victoria Park, Niagara Falls, though a specimen reportedly collected by Cameron (NFO, ca. 1891; Eckel 2001) could not be located during a 2007 search of the NFO herbarium. The only known recent record is a collection by S. Brinker from woods north of Long Beach Conservation Area in 2008. Small and easily overlooked.		C			S4S5	OPHIOGLOSSACEAE
Botrychium multifidum (S. Gmelin) Rupr.	Leather Grapefern	R	Early reports from the Niagara River area (Day 1888, Cameron 1895); more recently reported from North Pelham Valley (Short Hills Wilderness Area) by Campbell (1982), based on a 1979 survey. Observed by I.D. Macdonald at Point Abino (Macdonald 1990). Reported from one site in Wainfleet Township during NAI fieldwork in 2008 (NAI database).	R3	VU			S5	OPHIOGLOSSACEAE
Botrychium oneidense (Gilbert) House	Blunt-lobe Grapefern	R	Post-1980 collection by D.A. Sutherland (#8326) from Niagara Region (pers. comm.). Known from Caistor-Canborough Slough Forest in adjacent Haldimand County (M.E. Gartshore #85-295; TRTE).	R1	U			S3?	OPHIOGLOSSACEAE
Botrychium simplex E. Hitchc.	Least Moonwort	R	Post-1980 collection by D.A. Sutherland (#8555) from Niagara Region (pers. comm.). Known from Caistor-Canborough Slough Forest in adjacent Haldimand County (D.A. Sutherland #7282; TRTE).	R1	VU			S4?	OPHIOGLOSSACEAE
Botrychium virginianum (L.) Sw.	Rattlesnake Fern	U	Scattered in woods throughout the region.	С	С			S5	OPHIOGLOSSACEAE
BRACHYACTIS	see		SYMPHYOTRICHUM						ASTERACEAE

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Brachyelytrum aristosum (Michaux) Trel.	Bearded Shorthusk	DD	Mapped from the region by Dore and McNeill (1980) and collected at Point Abino by I.D. Macdonald in 1988 (Macdonald 1990). Status in the region poorly known due to confusion with <i>B. erectum. = Brachyelytrum erectum</i> var. <i>glabratum.</i>	?	?			S4S5	POACEAE
Brachyelytrum erectum (Schreber) P. Beauv.	Bearded Shorthusk	DD	Status in the region poorly known due to confusion with <i>B. aristosum</i> , which was formerly considered a variety (var. <i>glabratum</i>) of <i>B. erectum</i> . Both taxa are mapped from the region by Dore and McNeill (1980) and a recent collection from Marcy's Woods is <i>B. erectum</i> (M.J. Oldham #22207, DAO, in 1999). If records of both species are combined there are more than 20 recent record for the region (i.e. would be common).	R4	С			S4S5	POACEAE
Brasenia schreberi J. Gmelin	Water-shield	RH	Reported from Wainfleet Bog by Auer (1930) and from the Niagara Peninsula by Heimburger (1955). No recent records.		R1			S5	CABOMBACEAE
BRASSICA	see also		SINAPIS						BRASSICACEAE
Brassica juncea (L.) Czernj.	Indian Mustard	IH	Rare weed, with several early records (e.g. W. Scott, TRT, from Queenston Heights in 1896) but no recent reports.	I				SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Brassica napus L.	Turnip	IR	Rare weed (M.J. Oldham #34058, DAO, from Port Colborne in 2008).	I				SE1	BRASSICACEAE
Brassica nigra (L.) Koch	Black Mustard	IR	Rare weed.	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Brassica rapa L.	Field Mustard	IR	Rare weed.	I				SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Briza media L.	Quaking Grass	IR	A rare introduction which does not persist; most records are old. Reported from Niagara Gorge by Riley et al. (1996).					SE1	POACEAE
Bromus ciliatus L.	Fringed Brome	R	Rare in wetlands and moist woods. C.J. Rothfels #1483 (HAM) from Navy Island in 2004.	U6	U			S5	POACEAE
Bromus commutatus Schrader	Hairy Chess	IU	Uncommon weed of open disturbed ground. M.J. Oldham #9265 (DAO) from Wainfleet Bog in 1989.	I	I			SE4	POACEAE

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Bromus erectus Hudson	Upright Brome	IH	A report from Beamer Conservation Area (Putnam 1975) is the only regional record.					SE1	POACEAE
Bromus hordeaceus L. ssp. hordeaceus	Soft Chess	IR	Rare weed of disturbed open areas. Some or all records may be be of ssp. pseudothominii or Bromus x pseudothominei (see Oldham et al. 1995). M.J. Oldham #34338 (DAO) from Port Colborne in 2007.	I	I			SE2?	POACEAE
Bromus hordeaceus L. ssp. pseudothominei P.M. Smith ex H. Scholz	Soft Chess	IR	Rare in disturbed ground (Oldham et al. 1995). M.J. Oldham #8181 (DAO) from Queenston in 1988. Considered to be a hybrid between <i>B. hordeaceus</i> and <i>B. lepidus</i> by some authors. = <i>Bromus</i> x pseudothominii.	hyb				SE2	POACEAE
Bromus inermis Leysser	Smooth Brome	IC	Abundant and widespread weed of open areas.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Bromus japonicus Thunb. ex Murray	Japanese Brome	IR	Rare weed of open disturbed ground. M.J. Oldham #3556 (DAO, TRTE) from Niagara Falls in 1983.	I	I			SE4	POACEAE
Bromus kalmii A. Gray	Kalm's Brome	RH	Several early reports from the Niagara Gorge (Day 1888, Zenkert 1934, Hamilton 1943) and mapped from the area by Dore and McNeill (1980). No recent records. G. Hamilton (NFO) from near Niagara Falls in 1941 (Eckel 2001).	R3	R1			S4	POACEAE
Bromus latiglumis (Shear) A.S. Hitchc.	Tall Brome	R	Rare, usually in floodplain woods. C. Schaefer #91-36 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991.	R5	U			S4	POACEAE
Bromus nottowayanus Fern.	Nottoway Brome	RH	A single old specimen (F.W. Johnson, NY, from Niagara Glen in 1922; cited in Wagnon 1952) is the only confirmed Niagara record.					S1S2	POACEAE
Bromus pubescens Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Canada Brome	U	Uncommon in rich open woods.	U7	U			S4	POACEAE
Bromus secalinus L. ssp. secalinus	Cheat	IR	Rare weed.	I	I			SE4	POACEAE
Bromus sterilis L.	Barren Chess	IR	Collected in 1990 from Wainfleet Bog by I.D. Macdonald (Macdonald 1990).					SE1	POACEAE

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Bromus tectorum L.	Downy Chess	IU	Uncommon weed of dry, often sandy open ground.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Buglossoides arvensis (L.) I.M. Johnston	Corn Gromwell	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #34348 (DAO) from Port Colborne in 2007. = Lithospermum arvense.	I	I			SE5	BORAGINACEAE
Bulbostylis capillaris (L.) Kunth ex C.B. Clarke	Hair-like Bulbostylis	IR	First found in Niagara in 2007 where observed growing in railway cinders in a Fort Erie railway yard by M.J. Oldham and S. Brinker.					S4	CYPERACEAE
Butomus umbellatus L.	Flowering-rush	IU	Uncommon wetland weed.	I	I			SE5	BUTOMACEAE
Cakile edentula (Bigelow) Hook. var. lacustris Fern.	Sea Rocket	R	A rare species of sandy Great Lakes shores (Guire and Voss 1963), with var. lacustris being a Great Lakes endemic. In Niagara known from both the Lake Erie and Lake Ontario shores. M.J. Oldham #18121 (TRTE) from Niagara-on-the-Lake in 1995.	R2	U			S4	BRASSICACEAE
Calamagrostis canadensis (Michaux) P. Beauv	Canada Blue-joint	С	An abundant and widespread plant of open wetlands.	С	С			S5	POACEAE
CALAMINTHA	see		CLINOPODIUM						LAMIACEAE
Calla palustris L.	Wild Calla	R	Rare in swamps.	С	U			S5	ARACEAE
Callitriche heterophylla Pursh ssp. hetererophylla	Water-starwort	RH	A Macoun collection from "Niagara" in 1901 (GH) is cited by Fassett (1951). No other reports.		R2			S2?	PLANTAGINACEAE
Callitriche verna L.	Common Water- starwort	RH	Several early records from the Niagara River (e.g. W. Scott (TRT) from Niagara Falls in 1897) and listed for North Pelham Valley (Short Hills Wilderness Area) by Campbell (1982) based on a 1979 survey; no recent reports. = Callitriche palustris.	U8				S5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Calopogon tuberosus (L.) Britton, Sterns & Poggenb.	Grass-pink	RH	Collected by A. Chamot (BUF) at Point Abino in 1880 or 1888 (Macdonald 1990). No other reports. = Calopogon pulchellus.	R1	R1			S4S5	ORCHIDACEAE
Caltha palustris L.	Marsh-marigold	U	Uncommon in wetlands.	C	C			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Calystegia sepium (L.) R. Br.	Hedge Bindweed	С	Common. Subspecific identity of Niagara plants is uncertain. = Convolvulus sepium.	С	С			S5	CONVOLVULACEAE

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Calystegia spithamaea (L.) R. Br. ssp. spithamaea	Low Bindweed	RH	Several early records from along the Niagara River (Day 1888, Cameron 1895, Zenkert 1934). No recent reports. = Convolvulus spithamaeus.	R1	U			S4	CONVOLVULACEAE
Camelina microcarpa Andrz. ex DC.	Small-seeded False Flax	IR	Rare weed. Reported by McIntosh and Catling (1979). M.J. Oldham #34143 (DAO) from Niagara Falls in 2007.	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Camelina sativa (L.) Crantz	False Flax	IR	A rare weed known in Ontario primarily from historic records. Reported from the Niagara Parks System by Cameron (1895).	I				SE3	BRASSICACEAE
Campanula americana L.	Tall Bellflower	R	Rare in rich woods. Noted as "abundant at the lower end of the Oxtrail, in the [Niagara] Glen" by Hamilton (1943), though not seen in recent surveys (Varga and Kor 1993, Oldham 2007). W. Scott (TRT) from Queenston in 1898.	U9	R1			S4	CAMPANULACEAE
Campanula aparinoides Pursh	Marsh Bellflower	R	Rare. Reported by Panton (1890), Cameron (1895), Zenkert (1934), Hamilton (1943), Macdonald (1990), Jonsson-Ninniss and Middleton (1991), and others, though few recent records. A.C. Garofalo #08-1038 (HAM) from Lyon's Creek in 2008. = Campanula uliginosa.	R5	U			S 5	CAMPANULACEAE
Campanula rapunculoides L.	Creeping Bellflower	IR	A rare escape from cultivation, primarily along roadsides.	I	I			SE5	CAMPANULACEAE
Campanula rotundifolia L.	Harebell	R	Several early reports from the Niagara River (Cameron 1895, Zenkert 1934, Hamilton 1943, Yaki 1970). Reported from the Niagara Glen as recently as 1989 (Varga and Kor 1993), though not seen there more recently (Oldham 2007) and no other regional reports. C.A. Zenkert (BUF) from Niagara River Whirlpool in 1931.	U6	U			85	CAMPANULACEAE

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Campsis radicans (L.) Seemann ex Bureau	Trumpet Creeper	IR	Probably not native in Niagara (e.g. not mapped from Niagara by Argus et al. 1982-1987). Reported from Short Hills Provincial Park by Riley et al. (1996). Niagara Falls railway yard where undoubtedly not native (M.J. Oldham #34940, DAO, in 2007).		1			S2?	BIGNONIACEAE
CAMPTOSORUS	see		ASPLENIUM						ASPLENIACEAE
Cannabis sativa L.	Marijuana	IR	A rare weed, seldom persisting from cultivation. Most records are based on recent plantings in natural areas. A.C. Garofalo #08-1138 (HAM) from Short Hills in 2008.		I			SE1	CANNABACEAE
Capsella bursa-pastoris (L.) Medik.	Shepherd's-purse	IC	Abundant European weed.	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Caragana arborescens Lam.	Siberian Peashrub	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. Single NAI database report from Niagara-on-the-Lake in 2004.					SE2	FABACEAE
Cardamine bulbosa (Schreber ex Muhl.) Britton, Sterns & Pogg.	Spring Cress	R	Rare in moist woods. B. Larson #91-10 (TRT) from 16 Mile Creek ANSI in 1991.	С	U			S4	BRASSICACEAE
Cardamine concatenata (Michaux) Schwein.	Cut-leaved Toothwort	U	Uncommon in woods; most common on the Niagara Escarpment. = Dentaria laciniata.	С	U			S5	BRASSICACEAE
Cardamine diphylla (Michaux) Wood	Two-leaved Toothwort	U	Uncommon in woods; most common on the Niagara Escarpment. = Dentaria diphylla.	С	С			S5	BRASSICACEAE
Cardamine douglassii (Torrey) Britton	Purple Spring Cress	R	Uncommon in moist woods.	C	U			S4	BRASSICACEAE
Cardamine hirsuta L.	Hairy Bitter-cress	IU	An uncommon weed of open disturbed areas. Small and early flowering, therefore easily overlooked. M.J. Oldham #32347 (TRT) from Niagara Parkway south of Niagara-on-the-Lake in 2006	I	I			SE3	BRASSICACEAE
Cardamine maxima (Nutt.) Alph. Wood	Large Toothwort	R	Rare in woods, primarily on the Niagara Escarpment. Sometimes considered to be of hybrid origin based on C. concatenata and C. diphylla. = Cardamine X maxima, Dentaria X maxima.	C				S2S3	BRASSICACEAE

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Cardamine pensylvanica Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Pennsylvania Bitter- cress	U	Uncommon in moist areas; sometimes weedy. J. Jalava #91-81 (TRT) from 15 Mile Creek ANSI in 1991.	С	U			S5	BRASSICACEAE
Cardamine pratensis L.	Cuckoo Flower	R	Moist areas. Some or all records may be based on escapes from cultivation. Not reported in the numerous early botanical surveys of the Niagara Falls area (Eckel 2001). M.J. Oldham #23276 (MICH, TRTE) from Marcy's Woods in 2000.	R1	VU			85	BRASSICACEAE
CARDARIA	see		LEPIDIUM						BRASSICACEAE
Carduus acanthoides L.	Plumeless Thistle	IR	Reported from Mountainview-Valentino Escarpment by Riley et al. (1996).	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Carduus crispus L.	Welted Thistle	IR	A 2008 NAI sight record from Welland Township (NAI database).					SE1	ASTERACEAE
Carduus nutans L. ssp. nutans	Nodding Thistle	IR	Sight record in 1991 from Fifteen- Sixteen Mile Creek Valleys ANSI (Jalava et al. 1992).	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Carex albicans Willd. ex Sprengel var. albicans	Sedge	U	Moist or dry sandy woods. Known from about 11 recent sites in the Region. M.J. Oldham #32360 (MICH) from Niagara Glen in 2006. = Carex artitecta.	R4	R1			S3	CYPERACEAE
Carex albicans Willd. ex Sprengel var. emmonsii (Dewey ex Torr.) J. Rettig	Emmons' Sedge	R	Known in the region only from Wainfleet Bog, where it was first discovered in Ontario (Rezicek and Catling 1984). Still present and locally common particularly along trails through the bog. M.J. Oldham #35218 (HAM) from Wainfleet Bog in 2008. = Carex emmonsii.					S2	CYPERACEAE
Carex albursina E. Sheldon	White-bear Sedge	U	Uncommon in rich upland woods.	C	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex alopecoidea Tuckerman	Foxtail Sedge	R	Rare and local in moist open or lightly wooded areas. M.J. Oldham #32691 (MICH) from Paradise Grove in 2006.	U7	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex amphibola Steudel	Narrow-leaf Sedge	R	Rare in moist woods. M.J. Oldham #92875 (DAO, MICH, TRTE) from Humberstone Marsh in 1989. Very similar to Carex grisea (C. amphibola var. turgida).					S2	CYPERACEAE

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Carex annectens (E. Bickn.) E. Bickn.	Yellow-fruit Sedge	R	Rare in dry, open ground. The only verified regional report is from (M.J. Oldham #34283, MICH, TRTE, in 2007). A report from Navy Island (Eckel 2001) is based on a misidentified collection of <i>C. vulpinoidea</i> (NFO, det. M.J. Oldham 2007), a very similar species.					S2	CYPERACEAE
Carex appalachica J. Webber & P.W. Ball	Appalachian Sedge	R	A rare sedge of wooded ravines and upland deciduous woods, most common near Lake Erie. Collected by Macoun (CAN) from the vicinity of Niagara Falls in 1882, though not seen in the area since. Similar to the common species <i>C. radiata</i> and <i>C. rosea</i> (Webber and Ball 1984). M.J. Oldham #32648 (MICH) from Niagara Shores Park on Lake Ontario in 2006.		R2			S2S3	CYPERACEAE
Carex aquatilis Wahlenb.	Water Sedge	R	Rare in open wetlands. C.J. Rothfels #1466 (HAM) from Navy Island in 2004.	R3	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex arctata Boott	Compressed Sedge	R	Rare in upland woods. M.J. Oldham #32637 (MICH) from Paradise Grove in 2006.	C	C			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex aurea Nutt.	Golden-fruit Sedge	U	Uncommon in open, moist ground such as wet meadows, ditches, and quarry bottoms. M.J. Oldham #8180 (MICH) from Queenston in 1988.	С	U			S 5	CYPERACEAE
Carex backii F. Boott	Back's Sedge	RH	No specimen has been located to substantiate an early report from the Niagara Parks System (Cameron 1895). Collected from the Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI by P.W. Ball (TRTE; pers. comm. 2010) in 1979.		R2			S4S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex bebbii (L. Bailey) Olney ex Fern.	Bebb's Sedge	С	Common, usually in moist, more or less open places.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE

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Carex billingsii (O. W. Knight) C. D. Kirschbaum	Billing's Three- seeded Sedge	R	Collected in 1980 from Wainfleet Bog (P.M. Catling, DAO) and unlikely to be found elsewhere in the region. A report of <i>Carex trisperma</i> from Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992) is based on a specimen (TRTE) of <i>Carex billingsii</i> (P.W. Ball, pers. comm. 2010). Recently recognized as a distinct species (Kirschbaum 2007). = <i>Carex trisperma</i> var. <i>billingsii</i> .	R1				S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex blanda Dewey	Woodland Sedge	С	A common species, usually in woodlands. Most abundant in the Carolinian Zone, where it is probably the commonest woodland sedge.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex brevior (Dewey) Mackenzie ex Lunell	Short-headed Sedge	RH	No specimens have been located to substantiate early reports from the Niagara River area (Day 1888, Panton 1890, Hamilton 1943), which might be based on misidentifications.		VU			S4S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex bromoides Schkuhr ex Willd. ssp. bromoides	Brome-like Sedge	С	Locally common in moist swampy woods.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex brunnescens (Pers.) Poiret ex Lam.	Brownish Sedge	U	Uncommon in moist woods and swamps. M.J. Oldham #23294 (MICH) from Frenchman's Creek, near Fort Erie in 2000.	R5	С			S 5	CYPERACEAE
Carex buxbaumii Wahlenb.	Bog Brown Sedge	R	Rare. Point Abino in 1981 (A.A. Reznicek pers. comm. 2010).		U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex canescens L. ssp. canescens	Hoary Sedge	U	Uncommon in swamps, bogs, and cool, wet woodlands. M.J. Oldham #23316 (MICH) from Long Beach Conservation Area in 2000.	U7	С			S 5	CYPERACEAE
Carex cephaloidea (Dewey) Dewey	Thin-leaf Sedge	R	A rare woodland sedge, often on floodplains. S. Varga #93-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Provincial Park in 1993.	R4	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex cephalophora Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Oval-leaf Sedge	С	Common in woods.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex communis L. Bailey var. communis	Common Sedge	С	Common in woods.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE

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Carex comosa Boott	Bearded Sedge	U	Common in swamps, marshes, and other wetlands.	С	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex conoidea Schkuhr ex Willd.	Field Sedge	R	A rare and easily overlooked species of prairie remnants and other open, moist places. Known in the region only from Navy Island (Catling & Reznicek, MICH; P.M. Eckel, BUF, in 1998).					S3	CYPERACEAE
Carex crawei Dewey	Crawe's Sedge	R	Rare on rocky limestone Lake Erie shorelines, nearby quarry bottoms, and prairie remnants along the rim of the Niagara Gorge. M.J. Oldham #32714 (MICH) from Niagara Glen in 2006.		R1			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex crinita Lam.	Fringed Sedge	C	Common in swamps, moist woodlands.	С	C			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex cristatella Britton ex Britton & Brown	Crested Sedge	U	Uncommon in moist, more or less open areas.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex cryoptolepis Mackenzie	Yellow Sedge	R	Point Abino in 1981 (A.A. Reznicek pers. comm. 2010).	R	R			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex cumulata (L. Bailey) Mackenzie	Clustered Sedge	R	Known in the region only from Wainfleet Bog (I.D. Macdonald #21039b, TRTE, in 1989), one of very few sites in southwestern Ontario.					S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex davisii Schwein. & Torrey	Davis' Sedge	R	A rare sedge in Canada, generally in rich, clay floodplain woods. A collection by C.A. Schaefer #92-35 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1992 is the only recent regional record.					S2	CYPERACEAE
Carex deweyana Schwein.	Short-scale Sedge	U	Uncommon in woods. M.J. Oldham #23265 (MICH) from Marcy's Woods in 2000.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex diandra Schrank	Lesser Panicled Sedge	RH	Reported from the Niagara Parks System by Cameron (1895), with apparently a specimen (R. Cameron from Queen Victoria Park ca. 1890) at NFO (Eckel 2001).	R2	VU			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex digitalis Willd.	Finger Sedge	U	Uncommon in rich woods. M.J. Oldham #34147 (MICH) from Heartland Forest in 2007.	U8	С			S4S5	CYPERACEAE

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Carex disperma Dewey	Soft-leaf Sedge	R	Early reports from the Niagara Park System (Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943) are substantiated by an R. Cameron specimen (NFO, !M.J. Oldham) from Queen Victoria Park collected ca. 1890 (Eckel 2001). Reported by J.L. Riley in 1986 from Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992). No other regional records.	U6	U			85	CYPERACEAE
Carex eburnea Boott ex Hooker	Bristle-leaf Sedge	U	An umcommon calciphile of limestone woodland, often with White Cedar; more common on the Escarpment. M.J. Oldham #32358 (NHIC) from Niagara Glen in 2006.	С	VU			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex flava L.	Yellow-green Sedge	R	Two recent records: A.C. Garofalo #08-887 (HAM) from a dry meadow along the Welland River in 2008; D. Gregory (TRTE) from DeCew Generating Station in 2001. A report by Cameron (1895) is presumably based on an R. Cameron specimen labelled as <i>Carex flava</i> from the late 1800's at NFO which is actually <i>Carex viridula</i> (det. M.J. Oldham 2006).	С	VU			85	CYPERACEAE
Carex formosa Dewey	Handsome Sedge	RH	W.L. Putnam (DAO, det, M.J. Oldham 1993) from Town of Lincoln in 1978.	R4	R1			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex garberi Fern.	Elk Sedge	R	Rare on calcareous rocky Lake Erie shorelines, nearby limestone quarry bottoms, and dry prairie remnants along the Niagara Gorge. Usually very local. M.J. Oldham #32306 (MICH) from near the Niagara Whirlpool in 2006.		R1			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex glaucodea Tuckerman ex Olney	Flaccid Sedge		Not currently known from Niagara R.M., but a population at Caistor-Canborough Slough Forest in adjacent Haldimand County (Oldham and Crins 1984, Sutherland 1987) is within the NPCA watershed and one of only two Ontario records. To be looked for in rich woods on the Haldimand Clay Plain.		R1			S1	CYPERACEAE

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Carex gracilescens Steudel	Sedge	U	Uncommon in moist woods. Formerly considered provincially rare (Argus et al. 1982-1987), but subsequently found to be more common in Ontario's Carolinian Zone and no longer of provincial conservation concern (Oldham and Brinker 2009). M.J. Oldham #23287 (TRT) from Frenchman's Creek, near Fort Erie, in 2000.	R3	U			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex gracillima Schwein.	Graceful Sedge	С	Very common and widespread in woodlands.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex granularis Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Meadow Sedge	С	Very common and widespread in a variety of moist to dry, open to lightly wooded habitats.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex grayi Carey	Asa Gray's Sedge	R	Rare in moist woods. W.J. Crins #8692 (TRTE) from Four Mile Creek at Lake Ontario in 1991.	R5	U			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex grisea Wahlenb.	Sedge	U	Uncommon in moist, often clay, woods. M.J. Oldham #23292 (MICH) from Frenchman's Creek near Fort Erie in 2000. = Carex amphibola var. turgida.	U7	С			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex gynandra Schwein.	Nodding Sedge	R	A collection by Ian Macdonald #20964 in 1989 (TRTE) from Wainfleet Bog is the only regional record and one of very few southwestern Ontario reports.					S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex hirsutella Mackenzie	Hirsute Sedge	R	Rare in sandy woods and openings. A few scattered records, mostly historical. M.J. Oldham #32639 (MICH) from Paradise Grove in 2006.		VU			S3	CYPERACEAE
Carex hirtifolia Mackenzie	Hairy Sedge	U	Uncommon in rich upland woods. S. Varga #89-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Provincial Park in 1993.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex hitchcockiana Dewey	Hitchcock's Sedge	С	Uncommon in upland woods. M.J. Oldham #32610 (MICH) from Niagara Glen in 2006.	С	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex hystericina Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Porcupine Sedge	С	A common and widespread species of wetlands. T.W. Smith #172 (HAM) from Hamilton Naturalists Club Short Hills Nature Sanctuary in 1999.	С	U			S5	CYPERACEAE

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Carex interior L. Bailey	Inland Sedge	U	Uncommon in wet, usually calcareous areas, such as seepages, and swamps. S. Varga #158-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Provincial Park in 1993.	U10	С			S 5	CYPERACEAE
Carex intumescens Rudge	Bladder Sedge	С	Common in moist woodlands.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex jamesii Schwein.	James' Sedge	R	Rare and local in rich woods and slopes, often floodplains. Easily overlooked, and not as rare in southern Ontario as previously thought (e.g. Argus et al. 1982-1987). No longer considered of provincial conservation concern (Oldham and Brinker 2009). M.J. Oldham #34067 (MICH) from near Port Colborne in 2007.	R4	R2			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex lacustris Willd.	Lake Sedge	С	A large and common sedge of open wetlands.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex laevivaginata (Kukenth.) Mackenzie	Smooth-sheathed Sedge	R	Rare in moist seepages and along cool streams. Similar to the more common <i>Carex stipata</i> . M.J. Oldham #34277 (MICH) from Dufferin Islands in 2007.	R4	C			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex lasiocarpa Ehrh.	Hairy-fruited Sedge	R	Similar to Carex pellita, but with narrower, inrolled leaves. Rare in the Carolinian Zone in bogs and swamps; more common northward. In Niagara known only from Point Abino where collected in 1988 (Macdonald 1990).		VU			85	CYPERACEAE
Carex laxiculmis Schwein. var. copulata (L. Bailey) Fern.	Sedge	R	Rare in rich woods. M.J. Oldham #22230 (MICH) from Marcy's Woods in 1999. Sometimes considered a <i>C.</i> digitalis X <i>C.</i> laxiculmis hybrid. = Carex x copulata.	R				S3	CYPERACEAE
Carex laxiculmis Schwein. var. laxiculmis	Loose-stemmed Sedge	U	Uncommon in rich woods.	С	С			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex laxiflora Lam.	Distant-flowered Sedge	С	Locally common in woods.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex leptalea Wahlenb. ssp. leptalea	Bristle-stalked Sedge	R	A small and inconspicuous species of swamps, seepages, and bogs. S. Varga #56-93 (TRT) from Short Hills in	С	U			S5	CYPERACEAE

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Carex leptonervia (Fern.) Fern.	Finely-nerved Sedge	R	Rare woodland sedge, probably overlooked and confused with similar woodland sedges (e.g. <i>Carex blanda</i> , <i>Carex laxiflora</i>) to some extent. M.J. Oldham #9276 (MICH, TRTE) from Humberstone Marsh in 1989.	C	U			S 5	CYPERACEAE
Carex limosa L.	Mud Sedge	R	A report from "Port Colborne" by Macoun (1883-1892) may have been from Wainfleet Bog though no specimens have been located from the site and the species has not been located in later surveys (e.g. Macdonald 1992).		R1			85	CYPERACEAE
Carex lucorum Willd. ex Link var. lucorum	Long-beaked Oak Sedge		Not currently known from Niagara R.M., but a record from Dunnvillle East Forests in adjacent Haldimand County (Sutherland 1987) is within the NPCA watershed (D.A. Sutherland pers. comm. 2010). Similar to <i>Carex pensylvanica</i> .		R3			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex lupulina Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Hop Sedge	С	Common in moist woodlands.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex lurida Wahlenb.	Sallow Sedge	U	A widespread but uncommon and scattered sedge of wetlands, often in sandy areas. M.J. Oldham #9279a (MICH) from Humberstone Marsh in 1989.	R3	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex magellanica Lam. ssp. irrigua (Wahlenb.) Hulten	Stunted Sedge	R	Known in the region only from Wainfleet Bog where an early collection apparently exists at MTMG and where observed in 1990 by Macdonald (1992). Reported by Macoun (1883-1892) from "Cranberry Marsh, Port Colborne", which may have been Wainfleet Bog. = Carex paupercula.	R1	R2			S5	CYPERACEAE

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Carex molesta Mackenzie ex Bright	Troublesome Sedge	U	Uncommon in dry, open ground, such as old fields, woodland borders, and grassy roadsides. C. Schaefer #91-15 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991.	С	U			S4?	CYPERACEAE
Carex muehlenbergii Schkuhr ex Willd. var. muehlenbergii	Muchlenberg's Sedge	R	No specimens have been located to suppor the report by Cameron (1895) from the Niagara Park System and a more recent report (Eckel 2001, specimen at BUF) should be checked. A Point Abino collection at DAO has been confirmed by S.D. Jones. Several reports from Point Abino, where suitable open sandy habitat is present, though not seen by Macdonald (1990). D. Gregory (TRTE) from Twelve Mile Creek in 2002.	R1	U			85	CYPERACEAE
Carex normalis Mackenzie	Right-angled Sedge	R	Rare in rich woodlands. Similar to several other species of <i>Carex</i> in Section <i>Ovales</i> , and frequently misidentified. M.J. Oldham #34706 (MICH) from Navy Island in 2007.	U10	U			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex oligocarpa Schkuhr ex Willd.	Few-flowered Sedge	R	Rare in calcareous woods. Similar to Carex hitchcockiana. M.J. Oldham #32609 (MICH) from Niagara Glen in 2006.	R1				S3	CYPERACEAE
Carex oligosperma Michaux	Few-seeded Sedge	R	Known in the region only from Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992). M.J. Oldham #9274a (MICH) from Wainfleet Bog in 1989.	R1				S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex ormostachya Wieg.	Necklace Spike Sedge	R	Collected by Dan Gregory (TRTE in 2004) from the Welland River and Power Canal (Gregory 2005). Rare in southwestern Ontario and not otherwise known from Niagara.	-	-			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex pallescens L.	Pale Sedge	R	Rare in meadows and old fields. Rare in southwestern Ontario. M.J. Oldham #22227 (MICH) from Marcy's Woods in 1999.	R5				S5	CYPERACEAE

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Carex peckii Howe	Peck's Sedge	R	Rare woodland sedge. M.J.Oldham #23257 (MICH) from Marcy's Woods in 2000.	R3	R3			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex pedunculata Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Peduncled Sedge	С	Common woodland sedge.	C	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex pellita Muhlenb.	Woolly Sedge	R	Rare in moist, open areas such as ditches and wet meadows. Known in Niagara from Wainfleet Wetlands (A. Garofalo #07-476, HAM, in 2007) and Navy Island (Eckel 2001). = Carex lanuginosa, C. lasiocarpa var. latifolia	C	C			85	CYPERACEAE
Carex pensylvanica Lam.	Pennsylvania Sedge	С	Common in open, often somewhat sandy woods.	C	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex plantaginea Lam.	Plantain-leaved Sedge	U	Uncommon in rich woods. B.Larson #91-165 (TRT) from Jordon Valley ANSI in 1991.	С	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex platyphylla J. Carey	Broad-leaved Sedge	U	An uncommon species of rich wooded calcareous slopes, restricted in Niagara Region to the Niagara Escarment. M.J. Oldham #32362 (NHIC) from Niagara Glen in 2006.	С	U			S 5	CYPERACEAE
Carex praegracilis W. Boott	Very Slender Sedge	IR	A recently adventive halophyte of saline roadsides and roadside ditches. M.J. Oldham #32435 (MICH) from St. Catherines in 2006.	I	I			SE5	CYPERACEAE
Carex prairea Dewey	Prairie Sedge	R	A collection from a cattail marsh at Short Hills is the only regional report. S. Varga #151-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Provincial Park in 1993		VU			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex prasina Wahlenb.	Drooping Sedge	R	Rare in wooded seeps and along cool streams. S. Varga #120-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Provincial Park in 1993.	R4	С			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex projecta Mackenzie	Spreading Sedge	R	Rare in wooded swamps. M.J. Oldham #35342 (MICH) from Young Woodlot in 2008.	R5	VU			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex pseudocyperus L.	Cyperus-like Sedge	U	Uncommon in swamps and other moist open areas.	C	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex radiata (Wahlenb.) Small	Sedge	С	Common woodland sedge. = Carex rosea of many regional reports.	С	U			S5	CYPERACEAE

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Carex retroflexa Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Reflexed Sedge	R	Found at two sites near the Niagara River in 2006; otherwise known in Canada only from Essex County (see Oldham and Crins 1988). M.J. Oldham #32644 (MICH, TRTE) from Paradise Grove in 2006.					S2	CYPERACEAE
Carex retrorsa Schwein.	Retrorse Sedge	U	Uncommon in wetlands.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex richardsonii R. Br.	Richardson's Sedge	RH	J. Macoun (TRT) from "near Niagara" [Falls?] in 1901.		R1			S4?	CYPERACEAE
Carex rosea Schkuhr ex Willd.	Sedge	С	Common in woods. = Carex convoluta of many regional reports.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex scabrata Schwein.	Rough Sedge	R	A rare species of wooded streams, seepages, and swampy woodlands, primarily on the Niagara Escarpment. S. Varga #238-93 (TRT) from Effingham Forest ANSI in 1993.	U8	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex scoparia Willd.	Sedge	U	Uncommon. M.J. Oldham #34284 (MICH) from Dufferin Islands in 2007.	U7	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex seorsa Howe	Weak Stellate Sedge	U	Uncommon in wooded swamps. First found in Ontario in Niagara (Reznicek and Catling 1984). M.J. Oldham #23314 (MICH) from Long Beach Conservation Area in 2000.		U			S2	CYPERACEAE
Carex sparganioides Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Bur-reed Sedge	U	Uncommon in woodlands.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex spicata Hudson	Spiked Sedge	IC	A European sedge of open, disturbed ground such as roadsides, poor pastures, lawn edges, etc. M.J. Oldham #32627 (MICH) from Brown's Point Park, Niagara River, in 2006	I	I			SE5	CYPERACEAE
Carex sprengelii Dewey ex Sprengel	Sprengel's Sedge	R	Rare in woods. S. Varga #428-93 (TRT) from Queenston Escarpment ANSI in 1993.	R1	R2			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex squarrosa L.	Squarrose Sedge	RH	Known in Niagara only from an 1898 specimen (J.A. Carroll, CAN) from St. Catherines (ARVPO).					S2	CYPERACEAE

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Carex sterilis Willd.	Sterile Sedge	R	A rare sedge of calcareous seepages and open fens. Several early reports (e.g. Day 1888, Panton 1890, Macoun 1883-1892, Zenkert 1934, Heimburger 1955). S. Varga #62-93 (TRT) from Short Hills in 1993.					S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex stipata Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Awl-fruited Sedge	С	Common in wet places.	С	C			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex stricta Lam.	Tussock Sedge	U	A large, tussock-forming sedge of open wetlands, uncommon in the Niagara Region. T.W. Smith #170 (HAM) from Short Hills Sanctuary in 1999.	С	С			S 5	CYPERACEAE
Carex swanii (Fern.) Mackenzie	Swan's Sedge	U	Uncommon in dry, open ground. M.J. Oldham #32690 (MICH) from Paradise Grove in 2006. Formerly considered provincially rare (Argus et al. 1982- 1987).		С			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex sylvatica Hudson	Wood Sedge	IR	A rare European introduction in Ontario, reported from Queenston Heights by Reznicek and Catling (1984) based on a 1980 specimen and still present in the Queenston area (M.J. Oldham #32423, MICH, from Locust Grove Park in 2006).		I			SE2	CYPERACEAE
Carex tenera Dewey	Slender Sedge	С	Common in open or lightly wooded areas.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex tetanica Schkuhr ex Willd.	Rigid Sedge	R	Rare in seepages, wet meadows, and prairie remnants. M.J. Oldham #32616 (MICH) from the Niagara River Whirlpool in 2006 is the only regional record.		R2			S3	CYPERACEAE
Carex tonsa (Fern.) Bickn. var. rugosperma (Mack.) Crins	Wrinkled-seeded Sedge	R	In or rocky or sandy open ground. Similar to <i>C. umbellata</i> . S. Varga #77- 93 (TRT) from Short Hills Provincial Park in 1993. = <i>Carex rugosperma</i> .	R1	VU			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex tribuloides Wahlenb.	Blunt-broom Sedge	U	Moist woods and swamps.	C	С		_	S4S5	CYPERACEAE

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Carex trisperma Dewey	Three-fruited Sedge	R	The only regional record appears to be a sight record from boggy woods at Long Beach Conservation Area in 2000 by M.J. Oldham. A report from Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992) is based on a specimen of <i>Carex billingsii</i> (= <i>C. trisperma</i> var. <i>billingsii</i>) at TRTE (P.W. Ball, pers. comm. 2010).	R5	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex tuckermanii Boott ex Dewey	Tuckerman's Sedge	Ū	Uncommon, swampy woods. Var. niagarensis, described by C.P. Smith (1915) from the mouth of the Niagara River is no longer taxonomically recognized. A.C. Garofalo #07-650 (HAM) from Hunter's Creek Headwaters, City of Niagara Falls, in 2007.	U10	U			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carex umbellata Schkuhr ex Willd.	Umbellate Sedge	R	Rare to uncommon in dry, open ground. Easily confused with <i>Carex tonsa</i> var. <i>rugosperma</i> . M.J. Oldham #32343 (MICH) from near Niagara-on-the-Lake in 2006.	R3	R2			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex utriculata F. Boott	Beaked Sedge	R	Rare in swamps and moist open wetlands. M.J. Oldham #35359 (MICH) from Baden-Powell Park, City of Niagara Falls, in 2008.	U8	R4			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex vesicaria L.	Inflated Sedge	R	Observed, though not collected, by I.D. Macdonald (1992) at Wainfleet Bog in 1989. Reported from Navy Island (P.M. Eckel, BUF, in 1998) by Eckel (2001).					S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex virescens Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Greenish Sedge	R	A rare species of sandy woods and openings in the Carolinian Zone. S. Varga #249-93 (TRT) from Effingham Forest ANSI in 1993.	R1	U12			S3	CYPERACEAE
Carex viridula Michaux ssp. viridula	Greenish Sedge	U	About 11 Niagara sites, all either on the Lake Erie shore, or in quary bottoms nearby. A.C. Garofalo #07-446 (HAM) from Wainfleet Wetlands in 2007.	R2	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Carex vulpinoidea Michaux	Fox Sedge	С	Very common and widespread in open, moist sites.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE

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Carex willdenowii Schkuhr ex Willd.	Willdenow's Sedge	R	Rare in moist, clay woods. Collected by Macoun #32127 (CAN, US) from 4- mile creek near Niagara-on-the- Lake in 1892 (Naczi et al. 1998; P.W. Ball pers. comm. 2010). S. Varga #37-93 (TRT) from St. Johns Conservation Area in 1993. One of only two recent Ontario records.		R1			S1	CYPERACEAE
Carex woodii Dewey	Wood's Sedge	R	Rich woods, primarily in the Carolinian Zone. M.J. Oldham #23268 (MICH) from Marcy's Woods in 2000.	С	С			S4	CYPERACEAE
Carpinus caroliniana Walter ssp. virginiana (Marsh.) Furlow	Blue-beech	С	Common in woods.	R2	С			S5	BETULACEAE
Carum carvi L.	Caraway	IH	Rare weed, reported by Panton (1890) and Putnam (1975).	I				SE1?	APIACEAE
Carya cordiformis (Wang.) K. Koch	Bitternut Hickory	С	Common in woods.	С	С			S5	JUGLANDACEAE
Carya glabra (Miller) Sweet	Pignut Hickory	U	Uncommon in sandy upland woods. Includes <i>C. ovalis</i> of some authors.	R3	С			S3	JUGLANDACEAE
Carya laciniosa (Michaux f.) Loudon	Shellbark Hickory	R	Rare in moist woods. M.J. Oldham #33966 (TRTE) from Navy Island in 2006.		R3			S 3	JUGLANDACEAE
Carya ovata (Miller) K. Koch var. ovata	Shagbark Hickory	С	Common in upland woods.	С	С			S5	JUGLANDACEAE
CASSIA	see		SENNA						FABACEAE
Castanea dentata (Marshall) Borkh.	American Chestnut	U	Has declined significantly from historical numbers due to the introduced fungal disease Chestnut Blight. Mostly surviving as stump sprouts and suckers; mature, fruit-producing trees are very rare. A.C. Garofalo #08-1084 (HAM) from Coyle Creek Headwaters, Pelham Township, in 2008. See COSEWIC (20004a).	R5	С	END	END	83	FAGACEAE
Castilleja coccinea (L.) Sprengel	Indian Paintbrush	R	Rare in sandy open ground. Reported from the Niagara River Whirlpool by Day (1988) though not seen subsequently in the area. Observed in North Pelham Valley in 1993 (Riley et	RH	R1			S5	OROBANCHACEAE

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			al. 1996)						
Catalpa bignonioides Walt.	Common Catalpa	IR	Occasionally found outside cultivation.					SE1	BIGNONIACEAE
Catalpa speciosa (Warder ex Barney) Engelm.	Northern Catalpa	IR	Occasional in disturbed woods.	I				SE1	BIGNONIACEAE
Caulophyllum giganteum (Farw.) Leconte & Blackwell	Purple-flowered Blue Cohosh	DD	Local status poorly known due to confusion with <i>C. thalictroides</i> , which <i>C. giganteum</i> was formerly considered a variety. <i>Caulophyllum giganteum</i> is probably more common in Niagara than <i>C. thalictroides</i> (e.g. Dore 1964) and most regional reports of the latter are probably based on the former. = <i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i> var. <i>giganteum</i> .	С	X			S5	BERBERIDACEAE
Caulophyllum thalictroides (L.) Michaux sensu stricto	Blue Cohosh	DD	Local status poorly known due to confusion with <i>C. giganteum</i> . Many local records of <i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i> probably refer to <i>C. giganteum</i> . Not mapped from Niagara by Dore (1964), though mapped from nearby counties. M.J. Oldham #35122 (HAM) from Nickel Beach in 2008.	С	х			S5	BERBERIDACEAE
Ceanothus americanus L.	New Jersey Tea	R	Rare in sandy woods. S. Varga #414- 93 (TRT) from Grimsby Beach Terrace Valley in 1993.	U8	С			S4	RHAMNACEAE
Celastrus orbiculatus Thunb.	Oriental Bittersweet	IR	A rare invasive vine in woodlands. M.J. Oldham #32565 (MICH, TRT) from the Niagara River Whirlpool in 2006		I			SE2	CELASTRACEAE
Celastrus scandens L.	Climbing Bittersweet	С	Common	С	С			S5	CELASTRACEAE
Celtis occidentalis L.	Common Hackberry	R	Rare in woods along the Niagara River and occasionally elsewhere. W. Scott (TRT) from Niagara Falls in 1898.	R5	U			S4	CANNABACEAE

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Cenchrus longispinus (Hackel) Fern.	Long-spined Sandbur	R	Rare, mainly on sandy Great Lakes shorelines and sometimes in disturbed ground along railways. M.J. Oldham #33971 (DAO) from Navy Island in 2006	I	C			S4	POACEAE
Centaurea cyanus L.	Cornflower	IH	Rare and known only from hisotrical literature records, e.g. Niagara Park System (Cameron 1895); " inconspicuous or rarely seenfound in the Niagara Parks" (Hamilton 1943).	I	I			SE1	ASTERACEAE
Centaurea diffusa Lam.	White Knapweed	IR	Only Niagara record is from the Fort Erie railway yard (M.J. Oldham #34865, DAO) in 2007.					SE1	ASTERACEAE
Centaurea jacea L.	Brown Knapweed	IU	Uncommon in disturbed open areas. S. Varga #433-93 (TRT) from Queenston Escarpment ANSI in 1993.	I				SE5	ASTERACEAE
Centaurea nigra L.	Black Knapweed	IU	Uncommon weed. J. Jalava #91-95 (TRT) from 15 Mile Creek ANSI in 1995.	I	I			SE4?	ASTERACEAE
Centaurea nigrescens Willd.	Tyrol Knapweed	IR	Rare. C.J. Rothfels #230 (HAM) from Fort Erie in 2002.	I				SE5	ASTERACEAE
Centaurea stoebe L. ssp. micranthos (Gmel. ex Gugler) Hayek	Spotted Knapweed	IU	Uncommon weed of dry, open areas. M.J. Oldham #34921 (DAO) from Niagara Falls railway yard in 2007. = Centaurea maculosa.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Centaurea x moncktonii C.E. Britton	(C. jacea X C. nigra)	hyb	Rare weed. B. Miller #405 (HAM) from Ridgemount in 1948. = Centaurea x pratensis.					SE3?	ASTERACEAE
Centaurium erythraea Rafn.	Common Centaury	IH	Collected at Paradise Grove in 1976 (McIntosh and Catling 1979). = Centaurium umbellatum.					SE3	GENTIANACEAE
Centaurium pulchellum Hayek ex HandMazz. et al.	Beautiful Centaury	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #18141 (MICH, TRTE) from Niagara Falls railway yard in 1995.	I	I			SE3	GENTIANACEAE
Cephalanthus occidentalis L.	Buttonbush	С	Common in wetlands.	С	С			S5	RUBIACEAE

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Cerastium arvense L.	Field Chickweed	R	Early reports from the Niagara Falls area are presumably from native populations (e.g. Cameron 1895, Zenkert 1934), though not seen from the area recently (Oldham 2007). Some mroe recent reports (e.g. NAI database) may be from non-native populations. J. Macoun (TRT) from Niagara Glen in 1901.	I/N	-			85	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Cerastium fontanum Baumg.	Mouse-eared Chickweed	IC	Common weed in a variety of open, usually weedy sites. = Cerastium vulgatum.	I	I			SE5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Cerastium glomeratum Thuill.	Chickweed	IR	Rare weed of lawns, campgrounds, and other disturbed open areas. M.J. Oldham #32584 (MICH, WAT) from Dufferin Islands in 2006. = Cerastium viscosum.					SE1	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Cerastium nutans Raf. var. nutans	Nodding Chickweed	R	Rare in sandy woods. M.J. Oldham #23254 (MICH, WAT) from Marcy's Woods in 2000.	R2	R1			S4	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Cerastium pumilum Curtis	Curtis' Mouse-ear Chickweed	IR	Rare weed of disturbed open areas. Similar to <i>C. semidecandrum</i> . M.J. Oldham #32591 (MICH, WAT) from CP railway tracks off Chippewa Parkway in 2006.	I				SE2	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Cerastium semidecandrum L.	Spring Mouse-eared Chickweed	IU	Widespread, but small, early-flowering, and inconspicuous weed of open dry areas. Greatly overlooked. M.J. Oldham #23274 (TRTE) from Marcy's Woods in 2000.	I	I			SE5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Cerastium tomentosum L.	Dusty Miller	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. A.C. Garofalo #07-352 (HAM) from Dann Dunes near Port Colborne in 2007.	I				SE1	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Ceratophyllum demersum L.	Common Coontail	R	Rare aquatic, though possibly overlooked.	U8	C			S5	CERATOPHYLLACEAE
Ceratophyllum echinatum A. Gray	Prickly Coontail	R	Known only from Gibson Lake in Thorold where collected by D. Gregory (TRTE) in 2009.					S3?	CERATOPHYLLACEAE

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Cercis canadensis L.	Redbud	IR	Records from the Niagara River area are based on escapes from cultivation. M.J. Oldham #32419 (DAO) from woods along Niagara Parkway in 2006					SX	FABACEAE
Chaenorrhinum minus (L.) Lange	Dwarf Snapdragon	IU	Uncommon but widespread weed, often found along railways. A.C. Garofalo #07-464 (HAM) from Wainfleet Wetlands in 2007.	I	I			SE5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Chamaedaphne calyculata (L.) Moench	Leatherleaf	R	Currently known in the region only from Wainfleet Bog, though historical records suggest it was more widespread formerly (Day 1888, Cameron 1895, Zenkert 1934, Hamilton 1943, Macdonald 1990). M.J. Oldham #8941 (CAN) from Wainfleet Bog in 1989.	R2	R1			85	ERICACEAE
Chamaelirium luteum (L.) A. Gray	Fairywand	RH	Formerly abundant "between Stamford and the Whirlpool" according to Day (1888). In 1943 it was reported as "occasionally observed in the open grasslands near the Whirlpool" (Hamilton 1943). W. Scott (CAN, TRT) from Queenston Heights in 1897. No recent Canadian records (Oldham and Brinker 2009).	I	RH			SX	MELANTHIACEAE
CHAMAESYCE	see		EUPHORBIA						EUPHORBIACEAE
Chamerion angustifolium (L.) Holub	Fireweed	R	Wainfleet Bog where collected by A.W. Miller and observed by Ian Macdonald in 1989 (Macdonald 1992). = Epilobium angustifolium.	U10	U			S5	ONAGRACEAE
Chelidonium majus L.	Celandine	IC	Common weed of disturbed woods.	I	I			SE5	PAPAVERACEAE
Chelone glabra L.	Turtlehead	С	Common in open wet areas.	С	С			S5	PLANTAGINACEAE
CHENOPODIUM	see also		DYSPHANIA						AMARANTHACEAE
Chenopodium album L. var. album	Lamb's-quarters	IC	Common weed.	I	1?			SE5	AMARANTHACEAE

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Chenopodium berlandieri Moq. var. bushianum (Aellen) Cronq.	Village Goosefoot	R	Although apparently a native species, all collections are from somewhat weedy sites. Open, sandy woods. Easily confused with <i>C. album</i> . M.J. Oldham #23202 (MICH, TRTE) from Crystal Beach in 1999. = Chenopodium bushianum.	1				S1S2	AMARANTHACEAE
Chenopodium bonus- henricus L.	Good-king-henry	ΙΗ	No specimens have been found to substantiate the historic report of Hamilton (1943): " have been found in the [Niagara] Parks".	ŀ				SE1	AMARANTHACEAE
Chenopodium capitatum (L.) Aschers	Strawberry Blite	R	Native to Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990), though often in weedy situations. Several early reports (Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943; specimen at NFO) and most recently reported by Kaiser (1986a) from Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI.	U6	I			85	AMARANTHACEAE
Chenopodium foggii Wahlenb.	Fogg's Goosefoot	R	Rare, sandy woods. M.J. Oldham #7832 (DAO, TRTE) from Sherkston Beach in 1987.		R1			S2	AMARANTHACEAE
Chenopodium glaucum L. var. glaucum	Oak-leaved Goosefoot	IU	Uncommon in moist, open, disturbed, often saline sites. M.J. Oldham #8771 (DAO, TRTE) from Nickel Beach in 1988.	I	I			SE5	AMARANTHACEAE
Chenopodium leptophyllum (Moq.) Nutt. ex S. Wats.	Narrow-leaved Goosefoot	RH	F.W. Johnson #411 (BUF, det. I.D. Macdonald) from Point Abino in 1924 (Macdonald 1990). Not recorded in the region since.	1				S1	AMARANTHACEAE
Chenopodium simplex (Torrey) Raf.	Maple-leaved Goosefoot	R	Disturbed woods. S. Varga #91-68 (TRT) from Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI in 1991. = Chenopodium gigantospermum, C. hybridum.	U7	U			S5	AMARANTHACEAE
Chenopodium strictum Roth	Strict Goosefoot	IH	Niagara Falls in 1892 (CAN, det. Bassett and Crompton).					SE4	AMARANTHACEAE

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Chenopodium urbicum L.	Urban Goosefoot	ΙΗ	Reported by Hamilton (1943) from the Niagara Falls School of Horticulture as a weed in the Iris bed, and collected by B. Miller #762 (TRT) from near Fort Erie in 1952 (Heimburger 1955).					SE1	AMARANTHACEAE
Chimaphila maculata (L.) Pursh	Spotted Wintergreen	R	Known historically from the Niagara Parks System (Cameron 1895) and Fort Erie (D.F. Day, BUF, in 1863). Discovered in 2007 during NAI field surveys at Perry Road Woodlot, Wainfleet Township (photo at NHIC). See COSEWIC (2000b).	RH	R1	END	END	S1	ERICACEAE
Chimaphila umbellata (L.) Barton ssp. umbellata	Pipsissewa	R	Rare in dry, oak woods. T.J.W. Burgess (TRT) from Port Colborne in 1882. R. Cameron (NFO, det. M.J. Oldham in 2006) from Queen Victoria Park, Niagara Falls, in 1891. Reported from Spooky Hollow Sanctuary by Campbell (1982) based on a 1979 survey.	R1	C			S 5	ERICACEAE
CHRYSANTHEMUM	see		LEUCANTHEMUM, TANACETUM						ASTERACEAE
Chrysosplenium americanum Schwein. ex Hooker	Golden Saxifrage	R	Rare in seepages and moist woods. A.C. Garofalo #08-1147 (HAM) from Short Hills Sanctuary in 2008.	U10	C			S5	SAXIFRAGACEAE
Cichorium intybus L.	Chicory	IC	Common weed.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Cicuta bulbifera L.	Bulb-bearing Water- hemlock	C	Common, wetlands.	С	C			S5	APIACEAE
Cicuta maculata L.	Spotted Water- hemlock	С	Common, wetlands.	С	С			S5	APIACEAE
CIMICIFUGA	see		ACTAEA						RANUNCULACEAE
Cinna arundinacea L.	Stout Wood Grass	C	Common, moist woods.	С	C			S4	POACEAE
Cinna latifolia (Trev. ex Goepp.) Griseb. in Ledeb.	Drooping Woodreed	R	Rare woodland grass.	R3	U			S5	POACEAE
Circaea alpina L.	Small Enchanter's- nightshade	R	Rare in cool moist woods, particularly on the Niagara Escarpment.	С	С			S5	ONAGRACEAE
Circaea lutetiana L. ssp. canadensis (L.) Aschers. & Magnus	Enchanter's- nightshade	С	Common in woods. = Circaea quadrisulcata.	С	С			S5	ONAGRACEAE
Cirsium arvense (L.) Scop.	Canada Thistle	IC	Common weed.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE

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Cirsium discolor (Muhlenb. ex Willd.) Sprengel	Field Thistle	RH	Historically known from meadows above the Niagara Gorge (Hamilton 1943), and elsewhere along the Niagara River, though no recent verified reports. W. Scott (TRT) from Niagara Falls in 1906.					S3	ASTERACEAE
Cirsium muticum Michaux	Swamp Thistle	R	Rare in moist areas. Reported from Short Hills Sanctuary (Campbell 1982), St. John's Conservation Area (Niagara Falls Nature Club 1975), and photographed during NAI fieldwork (NAI database).	R3	C			S5	ASTERACEAE
Cirsium vulgare (Savi) Tenore	Bull Thistle	IC	Common weed.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Citrullus colocynthis (L.) Schrader	Watermelon	IR	A rare weed of disturbed shorelines, not persisting. P.M. Eckel (BUF) from Navy Island in 1998 (Eckel 1999, 2001). = Citrullus lanatus.					SE2	CUCURBITACEAE
Cladium mariscoides (Muhlenb.) Torrey	Twig-rush	RH	Rare, in swamps, fens, and open calcareous wetlands. Known from Point Abino (Zenkert 1934; Johnson, BUF, in 1920s), though not seen during recent surveys (e.g. Macdonald 1990). Reported from near Port Colborne (perhaps Wainfleet Bog, Macdonald 1992) by Day (Zenkert 1934). Reports from elsewhere in the region (NAI database) are unverified.	R2	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Claytonia caroliniana Michaux	Carolina Spring Beauty	R	Rare in woods, primarily on the Niagara Escarpment (Jalava et al. 1992, Riley et al. 1996). A.C. Garofalo #07-312 (HAM) from Young Woods, City of Niagara Falls, in 2007.	С				S5	MONTIACEAE
Claytonia virginica L.	Narrow-leaved Spring Beauty	С	A common early spring woodland wildflower.	С	С			S5	MONTIACEAE

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Clematis orientalis L.	Oriental Clematis	IH	Collected (J. Macoun, TRT) from Port Colborne in 1901 (Montgomery 1957), though this report may refer to another <i>Clematis</i> species since the name has been misused (P.W. Ball pers. comm. 2010).					SE1	RANUNCULACEAE
Clematis terniflora DC.	Sweet Autumn Clematis	IH	Rare escape from cultivation. Reported from Point Abino (Yaki 1970), though not observed by Macdonald (1990).					SE1	RANUNCULACEAE
Clematis virginiana L.	Virgin's-bower	U	Uncommon.	С	С			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
CLEOME	see		TARENAYA						CLEOMACEAE
Clinopodium arkansanum (Nuttall) House	Wild Savory	R	Known from limestone points on the Lake Erie shoreline and formerly from along the Niagara River. M.J. Oldham #18256 (MICH) from Grabel Point in 1995. = Calamintha arkansana, Satureja arkansana, S. glabella var. angustifolia.		R3			S4S5	LAMIACEAE
Clinopodium vulgare L.	Wild Basil	C	A common weed of old fields, roadsides, and open woods. = <i>Satureja vulgaris</i> .	С	С			S5	LAMIACEAE
Clintonia borealis (Aiton) Raf.	Bluebead Lily	RH	Reported historically from the Niagara Falls area (e.g. Niagara Glen, G.H. Hamilton, Aug. 6, 1943 (NFO), Heimburger 1955; " in the wet woods on the side of the hills opposite the Falls," Hamilton 1943); no recent reports.	С	C			S 5	CONVALLARIACEAE
Coeloglossum viride (L.) Hartman	Long-bracted Green Orchid	RH	Early records from the Niagara Falls area (e.g. Cameron 1895; Cameron, NFO) and Point Abino (cited in Macdonald 1990; BUF), though no recent records. = Dactylorhiza viridis, Habenaria viridis.		RH			S4	ORCHIDACEAE
Collinsonia canadensis L.	Horsebalm	С	Common in moist woodlands.	С	С			S4	LAMIACEAE
Colutea arborescens L.	Bladder-senna	IH	Known in the region from one historical record (M. Wilkes, TRT, from Niagara Falls in 1898; Heimburger 1955).	I				SE1	FABACEAE
Comandra umbellata (L.) Nutt. ssp. umbellata	Bastard-toadflax	U		С	U			S5	SANTALACEAE

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Comarum palustre L.	Marsh Cinquefoil	R	Wetlands (e.g. Wainfleet Bog, Macdonald 1992). A.C. Garofalo #07- 646 (HAM) from Lyon's Creek in 2007. = Potentilla palustris.	R1	U			S5	ROSACEAE
Commelina communis L.	Day-flower	IR	A rare weed or escape from cultivation, e.g. at Point Abino (Macdonald 1990; J. Johnson, BUF, 1920's).	I	U			SE3	COMMELINACEAE
Conioselinum chinense (L.) Britton, Sterns & Poggenb.	Hemlock Parsley	RH	Early reports from the Niagara Falls area (e.g. Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943). No specimens from Niagara located by Argus et al. (1982-1987)		R2			S2	APIACEAE
Conium maculatum L.	Poison Hemlock	IR	Reported from the Niagara Parks System by Cameron (1895), and from Dufferin Islands by Hamilton (1943): " fortunately is not abundant, although several specimens have been obtained from a marshy place near one of the streams that flow from Dufferin Islands". One recent, unverified report (NAI database).					SE2?	APIACEAE
Conopholis americana (L.) Wallr.	Squawroot	U	Uncommon in rich woods. B. Larson #91-495 (TRT) from Beamsville Escarpment ANSI in 1991.	R4	VU			S4?	OROBANCHACEAE
Conringia orientalis (L.) Dumort.	Hare's-ear Mustard	IH	Collected at Point Abino by C. Zenkert in 1931, BUF (Macdonald 1990). No recent reports.					SE2	BRASSICACEAE
Convallaria majalis L.	Lily-of-the-valley	IU	An uncommon escape from cultivation to disturbed woods.	I	I			SE5	CONVALLARIACEAE
CONVOLVULUS	see also		CALYSTEGIA						CONVOLVULACEAE
Convolvulus arvensis L.	Field Bindweed	IC	Common weed.	I	I			SE5	CONVOLVULACEAE
Conyza canadensis (L.) Cronq.	Horseweed	С	Common.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Coptis trifolia (L.) Salisb.	Goldthread	U	Uncommon in cool, rich, moist woods. = Coptis groenlandica.	С	С			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Corallorhiza maculata (Raf.) Raf.	Spotted Coral-root	RH	Rare in woods, primarily on the Niagara Escarpment. No recent reports. W.J. Potter (TRT) from Niagara in 1908.	R3	U			S5	ORCHIDACEAE

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Corallorhiza odontorhiza (Willd.) Nutt.	Autumn Coral-root	RH	Early reports from several Niagara River sites; no recent records. W. Scott (TRT) from St. Davids in 1902. A Niagara specimen at DAO is var. pringlei (Freudenstein 1997).		R4			S2	ORCHIDACEAE
Corallorhiza trifida Chatel.	Early Coral-root	RH	Reported from the Niagara Parks System by Cameron (1895) and Hamilton (1943). No recent records.	R1	VU			S5	ORCHIDACEAE
Coreopsis grandiflora Hogg ex Sweet	Large-flowered Coreopsis	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. Reported from Welland River and Power Canal, Niagara Falls, by Gregory (2005; TRTE).	I				SE2	ASTERACEAE
Coreopsis lanceolata L.	Lance-leaved Coreopsis	IR	Reported by Hamilton (1943) from "marshy places along the [Niagara] river not abundant". This report and one in the NAI database may refer to the similar <i>Coreopsis grandiflora</i> .	I				S4?	ASTERACEAE
Coreopsis tinctoria Nutt.	Coreopsis	IH	Rare escape from cultivation. Reported by Hamilton (1943): " occurs in the open meadows opposite the Glen Restaurant not abundant". No recent records.					SE1	ASTERACEAE
Corispermum pallasii Steven	Pallas' Bugseed	R	Sandy Lake Erie shores. A specimen from Fort Erie, T.J.W. Burgess (DAO, det. S.L. Mosyakin 1994) in 1888, was identified by an expert in this difficult genus. A recent collection from Lake Erie shoreline dunes at Marcy's Woods also appears to be this species (M.J. Oldham #23146, MICH, in 1999). = Corispermum hyssopifolium of local reports, in part.					S1S3	AMARANTHACEAE
Corispermum villosum Rydb.	Hairy Bugseed	R	Point Abino (Macdonald 1990). A collection from near Camelot Beach on the Lake Erie shore (M.J. Oldham #7830, DAO, in 1987) has been identified as this species by S.L. Mosyakin, an expert on the genus. = Corispermum hyssopifolium of local reports, in part.					S1S3	AMARANTHACEAE

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Cornus alternifolia L.f.	Alternate-leaved Dogwood	С	Common, moist woods.	С	С			S5	CORNACEAE
Cornus amomum Miller ssp. obliqua (Raf.) J.S. Wilson	Silky Dogwood	С	Common. = Cornus obliqua.	С	С			S5	CORNACEAE
Cornus canadensis L.	Bunchberry	RH	Early records from the Niagara Falls area (e.g. Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943) and from Point Abino (Macdonald 1990; specimens at BUF from the late 1800s) though no recent Niagara records.	U6	С			S5	CORNACEAE
Cornus drummondii C.A. Meyer	Rough-leaved Dogwood	R	Early records from the Niagara River area (e.g. Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943), though not mapped from Niagara by Soper and Heimburger (1982). G. Hamilton (NFO, det. M.J. Oldham in 2006) from Niagara Glen in 1941. Seen recently by A. Garofalo (pers. comm. 2010) from St. David's Burried Gorge.		VU			S4	CORNACEAE
Cornus florida L.	Eastern Flowering Dogwood	U	Locally common in rich woods, but distribution fragmented. Declining throughout its range due to Dogwood Anthracnose. A.C. Garofalo #08-1010 (HAM) from Atlas Wetlands and Slough Forest, Welland Township, in 2008. See See COSEWIC (2007a).	U10	С	END	END	S2?	CORNACEAE
Cornus foemina Miller ssp. racemosa (Lam.) J.S. Wilson	Gray Dogwood	С	Common. = Cornus racemosa.	С	U			S5	CORNACEAE
Cornus kousa Hance	Kousa Dogwood	IR	Several shrubs on a wooded slope at Dufferin Islands (M.J. Oldham #34281, MICH, in 2007) where perhaps planted.					SE1	CORNACEAE
Cornus rugosa Lam.	Round-leaved Dogwood	С	Common.	С	С			S5	CORNACEAE
Cornus sericea L. ssp. sericea	Red-osier Dogwood	U	Uncommon in Niagara and only known from cool, or northern wetlands in a few locations. = <i>Cornus stolonifera</i> .	С	С			S 5	CORNACEAE
CORONILLA	see		SECURIGERA						FABACEAE

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Corydalis flavula (Raf.) DC.	Yellow Corydalis	R	Collected at Point Abino in 1948 (A. Stitt, HAM), though not seen there more recently (Macdonald 1990). Rediscovered in the Niagara Region in 2007 (A.C. Garofalo #07-301, HAM) from the Onondaga Escarpment near Wainfleet Bog.					S2	PAPAVERACEAE
Corylus americana Walter	American Hazel	R	A.C. Garofalo #08-1167 (HAM) from Juard Woods - Ridgeville Swamp, Pelham Township, in 2008.	R2	С			S5	BETULACEAE
Corylus cornuta Marshall ssp. cornuta	Beaked Hazel	R	A.C. Garofalo #08-929 (HAM) from Bill's Bush, Port Colborne, in 2008.	C	U			S5	BETULACEAE
Cotinus coggygria Scop.	Smoke-tree	IR	Rare escape from cultivation (e.g. Yaki 1970).	I				SE1	ANACARDIACEAE
Cotoneaster divaricatus Rehd. & Wildon	Spreading Cotoneaster	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. M.J. Oldham #34750 (NHIC, WTU; det. P. Zika 2008) from Niagara Gorge in 2007. Not reported from Ontario by Morton and Venn (1990).					SE1	ROSACEAE
Cotoneaster horizontalis Dene.	Rockspray Cotoneaster	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. M.J. Oldham #34752 (NHIC, WTU; det. P. Zika 2008) from Queenston in 2007.					SE1	ROSACEAE
Crataegus beata Sarg.	Hawthorn	RH	Queenston Heights, W. Scott (TRT) in 1896 and 1898 (ARVPO database).		RH			SH	ROSACEAE
Crataegus calpodendron (Ehrh.) Medik.	Pear Hawthorn	U	Mapped from the Canadian side of the Niagara River by Phipps and Muniyamma (1980). M.J. Oldham #22242 (UWO, det. J.B. Phipps) from Marcy's Woods in 1999.	U9	С			S4S5	ROSACEAE
Crataegus chrysocarpa Ashe	Fireberry Hawthorn	R	Mapped from the Canadian side of the Niagara River by Phipps and Muniyamma (1980). M.J. Oldham #22241 (UWO, det. J.B. Phipps) from Marcy's Woods in 1999.	R5				S5	ROSACEAE
Crataegus coccinea L. var. coccinea	Pedicelled Hawthorn	R	Early reports from the Niagara River area and several records from Niagara Escarpment natural areas (Riley et al. 1996, as <i>C. pedicellata</i>). S. Varga #467-93 (TRT) from Homer Escarpment ANSI in 1993. = <i>Crataegus pedicellata</i> .	R1	U			S4	ROSACEAE

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Crataegus coccinea L. var. fulleriana (Sarg.) Kruschke	Fuller's Hawthorn	RH	Chippawa, J. Dunbar (A) in 1902, 1903, 1905, 1912; Chippawa, C.S. Sargent (A) in 1902. = <i>Crataegus</i> fulleriana.	R1	VU			S2?	ROSACEAE
Crataegus coccinea L. var. pringlei (Sarg.) Kruschke	Pringle's Hawthorn	R	Mapped from the Canadian side of the Niagara River by Phipps and Muniyamma (1980). = Crataegus pringlei.	U6	C			S5	ROSACEAE
Crataegus coccinioides Ashe	Hawthorn	R	Reported from several Niagara Escarpment natural areas (Riley et al. 1996). S. Varga #431-93 (TRT) from Queenston Escarpment ANSI in 1993. = Crataegus conspecta, C. dilatata.					S2	ROSACEAE
Crataegus cognata Sarg.	Hawthorn	R	Mapped from the Canadian side of the Niagara River by Phipps and Muniyamma (1980). = Crataegus pruinosa var. cognata.					S5	ROSACEAE
Crataegus crus-galli L.	Cockspur Hawthorn	С	Common.	R2	U			S5	ROSACEAE
Crataegus dissona Sarg.	Northern Hawthorn	RH	Several collections have been made from Chippawa, Niagara-on-the-Lake, and Niagara Falls, the most recent being a 1977 Niagara Falls collection (UWO) (ARVPO database).	R3				S3	ROSACEAE
Crataegus dodgei Ashe	Dodge's Hawthorn	RH	Chippawa, J. Dunbar (A) in 1912 (ARVPO database).	U9	R4			S4	ROSACEAE
Crataegus formosa Sarg.	Hawthorn	R	Niagara Falls, J.B. Phipps (UWO) in 1977 (ARVPO database). Collected from North Pelham Valley in 1993 (Riley et al. 1996; TRT).	R1				S2	ROSACEAE
Crataegus holmesiana Ashe	Holmes' Hawthorn	R	Mapped from the Canadian side of the Niagara River by Phipps and Muniyamma (1980). Collected by Dan Gregory (pers. comm.) at Dufferin Islands (TRT, det. P.W. Ball) in 2007.	U6	R1			S4?	ROSACEAE
Crataegus intricata Lange	Copenhagan Hawthorn	RH	"edge of Glen" (Hamilton 1943, as Crataegus boyntoni); J. Dunbar (A) from Chippawa in 1912 (ARVPO database). = Crataegus foetida.		R1			SH	ROSACEAE

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Crataegus macracantha Lodd.	Hawthorn	U	Mapped from the Canadian side of the Niagara River by Phipps and Muniyamma (1980). C. Schaefer #91-64 (TRT) from the Jordan Valley ANSI. = Crataegus succulenta var. macracantha.	R4	R1			S5	ROSACEAE
Crataegus macrosperma Ashe	Variable Hawthorn	U	Mapped from the Canadian side of the Niagara River by Phipps and Muniyamma (1980). Locally common on the Niagara Escarpment (Riley et al. 1996; specimens at TRT).	С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Crataegus mollis (Torrey & A. Gray) Scheele	Downy Hawthorn	С	Common	R2				S5	ROSACEAE
Crataegus monogyna Jacq.	English Hawthorn	IC	Common.	I	I			SE5	ROSACEAE
Crataegus pennsylvanica Ashe	Pennsylvania Hawthorn	R	Known from the Niagara Peninsula (J.B. Phipps, 2007, FNA draft). Reported from several Niagara Escarpment natural areas (Riley et al. 1996; TRT). = Crataegus pedicellata var. ellwangeriana.					S1S2	ROSACEAE
Crataegus populnea Ashe	Hawthorn	R	Reported from two Niagara Escarpment natural areas (Riley et al. 1996). C. Schaefer #91-78 (TRT) from Sixteen Mile Creek ANSI in 1991. = Crataegus compta.	R2	R1			S2?	ROSACEAE
Crataegus pruinosa (Wendl. f.) K. Koch var. parvula (Sarg.) J.B. Phipps	Hawthorn	R	Collected at Queenston Escarpment in 1993 by S. Varga et al. (Riley et al. 1996; TRT). = Crataegus parvula.					S4S5	ROSACEAE
Crataegus pruinosa (Wendl. f.) K. Koch var. pruinosa	Waxy-fruited Hawthorn	U	Reported from several Niagara Escarpment natural areas (Riley et al. 1996; TRT).	U8	С			S4?	ROSACEAE
Crataegus punctata Jacq.	Dotted Hawthorn	С	Common.	С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Crataegus scabrida Sarg. var. asperifolia (Sarg.) Kruschke	Rough Hawthorn	R	Reported from Fonthill Sandhills Valley, Niagara Escarpment, by Riley et al. (1996). S. Blaney #1310-93 (TRT) from Fonthill Sandhill Valleys ANSI in 1993.		U			S3?	ROSACEAE
Crataegus submollis Sarg.	Northern Downy Hawthorn	R	Collected from the Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI (S. Varga #91-7, TRT, in 1991; Varga et al. 1992).					S4S5	ROSACEAE

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Crataegus succulenta Schrader ex Link	Fleshy Hawthorn	U	Reported from several Niagara Escarpment natural areas (Riley et al. 1996). B. Larson #91-508 (TRT) from Beamsville Escarpment ANSI in 1991.	С	С			S4S5	ROSACEAE
Crepis capillaris (L.) Wallr.	Hawk's-beard	IR	Reported from St. John's Valley by Riley et al. (1996).	I				SE1	ASTERACEAE
Crepis pulchra L.	Small-flower Hawksbeard	IH	Collected from two sites along a railway in Niagara Region by W.L. Putnam, the first Ontario record (Cody and Putnam 1986). W.L. Putnam #104 (DAO) from North GrimsbyTownship in 1972.					SEH	ASTERACEAE
Crepis tectorum L.	Narrow-leaf Hawksbeard	IR	Observed, though not collected, by M.J. Oldham and S. Brinker at Port Colborne in 2008.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Croton capitatus Michaux	Woody Croton	IH	Collected in 1901 by J. Macoun (CAN?) from along railway tracks at Queenston Heights where "scarcely established" (Scoggan 1978-1979). No subsequent reports.					SE1	EUPHORBIACEAE
Cryptogramma stelleri (S. Gmelin) Prantl	Slender Cliff-brake	RH	No specimens have been found to substantiate historical reports from Niagara Glen and nearby sites along the Niagara River (Macoun 1883-1892, Day 1888, Cameron 1895).	R1				S4S5	PTERIDACEAE
Cryptotaenia canadensis (L.) DC.	Honewort	U	Uncommon, woods.	С	С			S5	APIACEAE
CUBELIUM	see		HYBANTHUS						VIOLACEAE
Cucurbita pepo L.	Field Pumpkin	IH	A garden escape, not persisting. Observed at Point Abion in 1988 by I.D. Macdonald (1990). Atkinson #66 (WAT).					SE1	CUCURBITACEAE
Cuphea viscosissima Jacq.	Blue Waxweed	IH	Reported by Macoun (1883-1892) from "cultivated fields between Hamilton and St. Catherines". = Cuphea petiolata.					SEH	LYTHRACEAE

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Cuscuta campestris Yuncker	Field Dodder	R	Rare; sometimes weedy. B. Miller #526 (HAM) from Miller Creek, Niagara River, in 1948 (ARVPO database). M.J. Oldham #34876 (WLU, det. M. Costea) from Fort Erie Railway Yard in 2007. Sometimes included in <i>Cuscuta pentagona</i> (e.g. Kartesz 1999) though treated as a separate species by Costea et al. (2006).		I			S2	CONVOLVULACEAE
Cuscuta gronovii Willd. ex Schultz	Common Dodder	С	Common.	С	С			S5	CONVOLVULACEAE
Cuscuta polygonorum Engelm.	Smartweed Dodder	R	An 1879 specimen (BUF) is reported from Windmill Point by Zenkert and Zander (1975). Rediscovered in Niagara (and Ontario) by Sam Brinker from Lyons Creek near Chippawa (specimen collected) in 2006 (Dougan and Associates 2007).					S 1	CONVOLVULACEAE
Cycloloma atriplicifolium (Sprengel) J. Coulter	Winged Pigweed	R	Rare on Lake Erie sandy shores and dunes. Occasional in disturbed habitat elsewhere (e.g. Wainfleet Bog; Macdonald 1992). M.J. Oldham #18182 (TRT) from Erie Beach in 1995.	I	I			S4	AMARANTHACEAE
Cydonia oblongaMiller	Quince	IH	W. Scott (TRT) from Queenston in 1897.					SE1	ROSACEAE
Cymbalaria muralis P. Gaertner, Meyer & Scherb.	Ivy-leaved Toadflax	IR	A rare European weed, collected as recently as 1988 along the Niagara Parkway (P.M. Eckel and R.H. Zander #889024, BUF; Eckel 2001).					SE1	PLANTAGINACEAE
Cynanchum louiseae Kartesz & Gandhi	Black Swallow-wort	IH	Reported by Montgomery (1957) from Welland County (now part of Niagara Regional Municipality), and by Cameron (1895) and Hamilton (1943) from the Niagara Parks System. = Cynanchum nigrum, Vincetoxicum nigrum.	I				SE3	APOCYNACEAE

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Cynanchum rossicum (Kleopov) Borh.	Swallow-wort	IR	Rare weed, though an increasingly common invasive elsewhere in southern Ontario and likely to become more common in Niagara. M.J. Oldham #32595 (DAO) Fort Erie railway yard in 2006. = Cynanchum medium, Vincetoxicum medium, V. rossicum.	I				SE5	APOCYNACEAE
Cynanchum vincetoxicum (L.) Pers.	Dog-strangling Vine	IH	Reported from Niagara Falls by Macoun (1906; as <i>Vincetoxicum album</i>) (see Zenkert and Zander 1975). W. Scott (TRT) from Niagara Falls in 1904.					SE1	APOCYNACEAE
Cynoglossum boreale Fern.	Northern Wild Comfrey	RH	Early reports from the Niagara River area: Niagara Parks System (as <i>C. virginicum</i> ; Cameron 1895); "Whirlpool Woods, Niagara Gorge" collector unknown (BUF) in 1891 (Eckel 2001). No recent records.					S4	BORAGINACEAE
Cynoglossum officinale L.	Hound's-tongue	IR	Rare weed.	I	I			SE5	BORAGINACEAE
Cynosurus cristatus L.	Crested Dogtail	ΙΗ	A rare weed. Most Ontario records of this grass are from the late 1800's (Dore and McNeill 1980). R. Cameron (NFO, det. M.J. Oldham in 2006) from Queen Victoria Park, Niagara Falls, ca. 1890 (Eckel 2001).					SE1	POACEAE
Cyperus bipartitus Torrey	Shining Cyperus	U	About 11 sites, mostly on Lake Erie shore. M.J. Oldham #33880 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2006. = Cyperus rivularis.	R4	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Cyperus diandrus Torrey	Low Cyperus	R	Three recent sites, one on the Lake Erie shore and two on the Lake Ontario shore. M.J. Oldham #18119 (MICH) from Four Mile Pond, near Niagara-on-the-Lake, in 1995.	R1	R2			S4	CYPERACEAE
Cyperus erythrorhizos Muhlenb.	Red-rooted Cyperus	U	Uncommon on moist shores. M.J. Oldham #33877 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2006.	R4	VU			S4	CYPERACEAE
Cyperus esculentus L.	Yellow Nut Sedge	U	Uncommon on moist shores and open disturbed ground.	С	U			S5	CYPERACEAE

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Cyperus fuscus L.	Brown Flatsedge	IU	Moist, open disturbed ground. First reported from Canada in the Niagara Region by GIllett (1971). M.J. Oldham #8762 (DAO, MICH, TRTE) from Rathfon Point in 1988.	-1-	I			SE2	CYPERACEAE
Cyperus lupulinus (Sprengel) Marcks ssp. macilentus (Fern.) Marcks	Slender-stemmed Cyperus	RH	The only presumably native Niagara population is a historical record from Point Abino, where collected by C.A. Zenkert (BUF) in 1931, and not seen since (Macdonald 1990). Recently noted in railway yards in Niagara Falls and Fort Erie, where presumably adventive. M.J. Oldham #7852 (BUF, DAO) from Fort Erie railway yard in 1987.	R1	C			S4	CYPERACEAE
Cyperus odoratus L. var. engelmannii (Steud.) J. Rich	Coarse Cyperus	U	Uncommon on moist shorelines. C.A. Schaefer #91-15 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991 (Schaefer et al. 1992). = Cyperus engelmannii.	R4	U			S 5	CYPERACEAE
Cyperus odoratus L. var. odoratus	Fagrant Cyperus	U	Uncommon on moist shorelines. C. Scheafer #91-16 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991. = Cyperus ferruginescens, C. odoratus var. squarrosus.	?	U			S4	CYPERACEAE
Cyperus schweinitzii Torrey	Schweinitz's Cyperus	R	Rare on Lake Erie sandy shores and dunes. Pt. Abino Peninsula (BUF; Macdonald 1990). I.D. Macdonald #21591 (TRTE) from near Crystal Beach in 1990.	R1				S3	CYPERACEAE
Cyperus strigosus L.	Straw-colored Cyperus	U	Moist, open shorelines.	U7	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Cypripedium acaule Aiton	Pink Moccasin Flower	RH	Collected by A.W. Miller (HAM) from Wainfleet Bog in 1948 and not seen since (Macdonald 1992).	R2	U			S5	ORCHIDACEAE
Cypripedium parviflorum Salisb. var. makasin Farw.	Small Yellow Lady's-slipper	R	Observed in Niagara Glen by S. Varga in 1989 (Varga and Kor 1993). = Cypripedium calceolus var. parviflorum.	C	C			S5	ORCHIDACEAE

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Cypripedium parviflorum Salisb. var. pubescens Willd.	Large Yellow Lady's-slipper	R	Historically known from the Niagara River area (Day 1888, Panton 1890, Cameron 1895, Heimburger 1955; TRT). Reported from two Niagara Escarpment sites (Riley et al. 1996).	R1	VU			S5	ORCHIDACEAE
Cypripedium reginae Walter	Showy Lady's- slipper	R	Observed in North Pelham Valley in 1993 (Riley et al. 1996).	R4	U			S4	ORCHIDACEAE
Cystopteris bulbifera (L.) Bernh.	Bulblet Bladder Fern	U	Uncommon in cool calcareous woods, particularly on the Niagara Escarpment.	С	С			S5	WOODSIACEAE
Cystopteris protrusa (Weath.) Blasdell	Creeping Fragile Fern	R	S. Varga #115-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Provincial Park in 1993; not known elsewhere in the region.	R1	R1			S2	WOODSIACEAE
Cystopteris tenuis (Michaux) Desv.	Mackay's Brittle Fern	U	Uncommon.	С	С			S5	WOODSIACEAE
Dactylis glomerata L.	Orchard Grass	IC	An abundant and widespread grass of roadsides, old fields, and other open, disturbed sites.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
DACTYLORHIZA	see		COELOGLOSSUM						ORCHIDACEAE
Danthonia compressa Austin	Flat-stemmed Danthonia	R	First collected in the region by W.L. Putnam (DAO) from Ball's Falls Conservation Area in 1971 (ARVPO database). Recently found at two sites in the Niagara Gorge area. M.J. Oldham #32709 (DAO, MICH) from Niagara Glen in 2006.		R2			S4	POACEAE
Danthonia spicata (L.) P. Beauv. ex Roemer & Schultes	Poverty Oat Grass	С	Abundant and widespread, usually in open, dry sites.	С	С			S5	POACEAE
Daphne mezereum L.	Daphne	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. M.J. Oldham #34848 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2007.					SE2	THYMELAEACEAE
Dasiphora fruticosa Raf.	Shrubby Cinquefoil	RH	"at Dufferin Islands, in wet ground, is a small stand," Hamilton (1943). Historically also known from the limestone shore at Point Abino (Zenkert 1934), though not seen there recently (Macdonald 1990). = Potentilla fruticosa.		VU			S5	ROSACEAE
Datura stramonium L.	Jimsonweed	IR	Rare weed.	I	I			SE5	SOLANACEAE
Daucus carota L.	Wild Carrot	IC	Abundant weed.	I	I			SE5	APIACEAE

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Decodon verticillatus (L.) Elliott	Swamp Loosestrife	R	Rare; wetlands. A.C. Garofalo #07-633 (HAM) from Ussher's Creek at Niagara River in 2007.	R1	U			S5	LYTHRACEAE
DENDROLYCOPODIUM	see		LYCOPODIUM						LYCOPODIACEAE
Dennstaedtia punctilobula (Michaux) T. Moore	Hay-scented Fern	R	Noted by Zenkert (1934) from the Niagara Glen, though not seen there since (Varga and Kor 1993, Oldham 2007). Reported by Gould (1989) from Short Hills Provincial Park.	R1	U			S 5	DENNSTAEDTIACEAE
DENTARIA	see		CARDAMINE						BRASSICACEAE
Deparia acrostichoides (Swartz) M. Kato	Silvery-spleenwort	R	Rare in woods, primarily on the Niagara Escarpment (Riley et al. 1996; TRT). = Athyrium thelypterioides.	U10	U			S4	WOODSIACEAE
Deschampsia caespitosa (L.) P. Beauv. ssp. caespitosa	Tufted Hair Grass	R	Limestone shoreline outcrops along Lake Erie. Point Abino (TRTE; Macdonald 1990). M.J. Oldham #34328 (DAO) from Lake Erie shoreline near Port Colborne in 2007.					S 5	POACEAE
Deschampsia flexuosa (L.) Trin.	Common Hair Grass	R	Rare; woodlands. DAO, TRT.		R1			S5	POACEAE
Descurainia sophia (L.) Webb ex Prantl	Flixweed	IR	Rare weed. DAO.	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Desmodium canadense (L.) DC.	Showy Tick-trefoil	U		С	С			S4	FABACEAE
Desmodium ciliare (Muhlenb. ex Willd.) DC.	Hairy Small-leaved Tick-treefoil	RH	Collections from Queenston Heights in 1887 (Macoun, CAN) and Niagara Falls in 1891 (Cameron, CAN) are the only Canadian records.	1				SX	FABACEAE
Desmodium cuspidatum (Muhlenb. ex Willd.) DC. ex Loudon	Toothed Tick-trefoil	RH	Last collected in the Niagara Gorge area in 1948 (B. Miller, TRT). Reported from Short Hills Sanctuary by Campbell (1982) based on a 1979 survey.	R2	R2			S2S3	FABACEAE
Desmodium glutinosum (Muhlenb. ex Willd.) Alph. Wood	Pointed-leaved Tick- trefoil	U	Uncommon; woods. = Hylodesmum glutinosum.	С	С			S4	FABACEAE

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Desmodium nudiflorum (L.) DC.	Naked-flowered Tick-trefoil	R	Reported from four Niagara Escarpment sites by Riley et al. (1996). Early records from the Niagara River area (Heimburger 1955, Eckel 2001; TRT) though not seen in the area since 1948 (Varga and Kor 1993). = Hylodesmum nudiflorum.	R3	U			S4	FABACEAE
Desmodium paniculatum (L.) DC. var. dillenii (Darl.) Isely	Tick-trefoil	R	Several early reports from Queenston Heights (Macoun 1883-1892, Day 1888, Heimburger 1955), though not recorded since 1902 (W. Scott, TRT; Varga and Kor 1993). The only recent record is from Point Abino (M.J. Oldham #23198, MICH, in 1999). = Desmodium dillenii.	R1	U			S4	FABACEAE
Desmodium paniculatum (L.) DC. var. paniculatum	Panicled Tick-trefoil	R	Reported from several Niagara Escarpment sites (Riley et al. 1996).	R3	R2			S4	FABACEAE
Desmodium rotundifolium (Michaux) DC.	Prostrate Tick- trefoil	RH	Several early reports from the Niagara River area (Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943). W. Scott (TRT) from Queenston Heights in 1896 (Oldham 1983).		R5			S2	FABACEAE
Dianthus armeria L.	Deptford Pink	IC		I	I			SE5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Dianthus barbatus L.	Sweet William	IR	A rare garden escape. Reported from Point Abino by Macdonald (1990).		I			SE1	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Dianthus deltoides L.	Maiden Pink	IH	T.M.C. Taylor #114 (TRT) from Vineland in 1940 (McIntosh & Catling 1979).					SE2	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Dicentra canadensis (Goldie) Walp.	Squirrel-corn	U		С	U			S5	PAPAVERACEAE
Dicentra cucullaria (L.) Bernh.	Dutchman's-breeches	U		U9	U			S5	PAPAVERACEAE

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Dichanthelium acuminatum (Sw.) Gould & C.A. Clark ssp. fasciculatum (Torrey) Freckmann & Lelong	Hairy Panic Grass	U	Local status poorly known due to confusion with similar species. Mapped from several Niagara sites by Dore and McNeill (1980), listed for Point Abino by Macdonald (1990), based on an F.W. Johnson (BUF) collection from the 1920's. = Panicum acuminatum var. fasciculatum, P. lanuginosum var. fasciculatum	С	С			S5	POACEAE
Dichanthelium acuminatum (Sw.) Gould & C.A. Clark ssp. implicatum (Scribn.) Freckmann & Lelong	Panic Grass	С	Local status poorly known due to confusion with similar species. Mapped from several Niagara sites by Dore and McNeill (1980). = Panicum implicatum, P. lanuginosum var. implicatum.	С	X			S5	POACEAE
Dichanthelium acuminatum (Sw.) Gould & C.A. Clark ssp. lindheimeri (Nash) Freckmann & Lelong	Lindheimer's Panic Grass	R	Largely restricted to limestone rocky shorelines along Lake Erie. Point Abino (BUF, TRTE; Macdonald 1990). = Dichanthelium lindheimeri, Panicum lanuginosum var. lindheimeri, P. lindheimeri.		R2			S4	POACEAE
Dichanthelium clandestinum (L.) Gould	Hidden Panic Grass	R	Montrose Railway Yard, Niagara Falls, M.J. Oldham #18147 (CAN, DAO) in 1995; collected from edge of scrubby woods (not from immediately adjacent to railway tracks). = Panicum clandestinum.		VU			S2	POACEAE
Dichanthelium dichotomum (L.) Gould ssp. dichotomum	Forked Panic Grass	RH	Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " known to occur in the Parks," Hamilton (1943). Reported by Dore and McNeill (1980) to have been collected at Queenston Heights and Niagara Falls, although specimens could not be located by Argus et al. (1982-1987). = Panicum dichotomum var. dichotomum.	RH	VU			S2	POACEAE
Dichanthelium latifolium (L.) Harvill	Broadleaf Panic Grass	R	C.J. Rothfels #2232 (HAM) in 2006. = Panicum latifolium.	R4	С			S4	POACEAE

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Dichanthelium oligosanthes (Schult.) Gould ssp. oligosanthes	Few-flowered Panic Grass	IR	M.J. Oldham #34861 (DAO) from Fort Erie railway yard in 2007, where probably not native. = <i>Panicum</i> oligosanthes var. oligosanthes.		?			S4?	POACEAE
Dichanthelium oligosanthes (Schult.) Gould ssp. scribnerianum (Nash) Freckmann & Lelong	Scribner's Few- flowered Panic Grass	R	Reported from Point Abino by Macdonald (BUF, TRTE; 1990) and mapped from two Lake Erie shoreline sites (one of which is likely Point Abino) by Dore and McNeill (1980). = Panicum oligosanthes var. scribnerianum.		?			S4	POACEAE
Dichanthelium ovale (Elliott) Gould & C.A. Clark	Panic Grass	RH	A collection from Niagara Falls (J. Voaden, QK) in 1902 (ARVPO database) is the only regional record. The specimen probably belongs to ssp. praecocius, but may belong to ssp. villosissimum. = Dichanthelium villossimum var. praecocius, Panicum praecocius of regional reports.		R2			83	POACEAE
Dichanthelium xanthophysum (A. Gray) Freckmann	Yellow Panic Grass	RH	Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). Non-specimen record mapped from the Canadian side of the Niagara River by Dore and McNeill (1980). = Panicum xanthophysum.		R2			S4	POACEAE
Diervilla lonicera Miller	Bush-honeysuckle	U		С	С			S5	DIERVILLACEAE
Digitalis grandiflora Miller	Yellow Foxglove	IR	J. Jalava #91-59 (TRT) from Fifteen Mile Creek ANSI in 1991. = Digitalis ambigua.					SE1	PLANTAGINACEAE
Digitaria cognata (Schultes) Pilger	Fall Witch Grass	IR	Fort Erie railway yard where first reported by Catling et al. (1977). Fort Erie railway yard, M.J. Oldham #23208 (MICH) in 1999. Rare in Ontario but probably entirely introduced in Niagara Region. = Leptoloma cognatum.		I			S4	POACEAE
Digitaria ischaemum (Schreber ex Schwein.) Schreber ex Muhlenb.	Smooth Crab Grass	IU	Uncommon, though probably overlooked.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Digitaria sanguinalis (L.) Scop.	Large Crab Grass	IU	Uncommon, though probably overlooked.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE

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Dioscorea villosa L.	Wild Yam	U	Uncommon in woodlands. = Dioscorea quaternata.	С	С			S4	DIOSCOREACEAE
Diphasiastrum digitatum Dill. ex A. Braun	Southern Running- pine	U	Uncommon in sandy woods, clearings, and old fields. = Lycopodium complanatum var. flabelliforme, L. flabelliforme.	С	С			S5	LYCOPODIACEAE
DIPLACHNE	see		LEPTOCHLOA						POACEAE
Diplazium pycnocarpon (Sprengel) M. Broun	Narrow-leaved Glade Fern	R	Rare in rich woods primarily on the Niagara Escarpment. A.W. Miller #33 (HAM) from Point Abino in 1950. = Athyrium pycnocarpon.		R			S4	WOODSIACEAE
Diplotaxis muralis (L.) DC.	Wall Rocket	IR	P.M. Catling (TRT) from Niagara Gorge in 1976 (McIntosh and Catling 1979). Frequently confused with <i>D. tenuifolia</i> .	I				SE1	BRASSICACEAE
Diplotaxis tenuifolia (L.) DC.	Narrow-leaved Wall Rocket	IU	Fort Erie railway yard, M.J. Oldham #18211 (TRTE) in 1995.	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Dipsacus fullonum L. ssp. sylvestris (Hudson) Clapham	Common Teasel	IC	Common weed. = Dipsacus sylvestris.	I	I			SE5	DIPSACACEAE
Dipsacus laciniatus L.	Cut-leaved Teasel	IR	Rare roadside weed. Hwy. 504 near Queenston, M.J. Oldham #32924 (DAO) in 2006					SE1	DIPSACACEAE
Dirca palustris L.	Leatherwood	R	Rare, rich woods.	U10	U			S4?	THYMELAEACEAE
DISPORUM	see		PROSARTES						CONVALLARIACEAE
Doellingeria umbellata (Miller) Nees	Flat-topped White Aster	U	Uncommon. = Aster umbellatus.	R5	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
DRABA	see also		EROPHILA						BRASSICACEAE
<i>Draba reptans</i> (Lam.) Fern.	Carolina Whitlow- grass	RH	A specimen from Point Abino was apparently collected by A.W. (Bert) Miller in the late 1940s or early 1950s (Heimburger 1955), though the species has not been located there since (Macdonald 1990). No Niagara records are mapped by Argus et al. (1982-1987).					S2	BRASSICACEAE
Draba verna L.	Whitlow-grass	IC	M.J. Oldham #23310 (TRTE) from near Camelot Beach in 2000. = <i>Erophila</i> verna.	I	I			SE4	BRASSICACEAE

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Drosera rotundifolia L.	Round-leaved Sundew	R	An early report from the Niagara Falls area (Hamilton 1943), otherwise known in the region only from Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992).	R2	U			S5	DROSERACEAE
Drymocallis arguta (Pursh) Rydb.	Tall Cinquefoil		Not currently known from Niagara R.M., but a record from Dunnvillle East Forests in adjacent Haldimand County (Sutherland 1987) is within the NPCA watershed (D.A. Sutherland pers. comm. 2010). = Potentilla arguta.		R2			S4	ROSACEAE
Dryopteris carthusiana (Villars) H.P. Fuchs	Spinulose Wood Fern	С	Common in woods and wetlands. = Dryopteris spinulosa.	С	С			S5	DRYOPTERIDACEAE
Dryopteris clintoniana (D.C. Eaton) Dowell	Clinton's Wood Fern	R	Rare in rich woods. F.T. Knapp #7 (HAM, det. D.M. Britton) from near Fonthill in 1942.	C	C			S4	DRYOPTERIDACEAE
Dryopteris cristata (L.) A. Gray	Crested Wood Fern	U	Uncommon in moist woods and swamps. M.J. Oldham #22212 (OAC) from Marcy's Woods in 1999.	С	VU			S5	DRYOPTERIDACEAE
Dryopteris goldiana (Hook. ex Goldie) A. Gray	Goldie's Wood Fern	R	Rare in rich woods (e.g. Niagara Glen, Point Abino). J. Jalava #91-198 (HAM) from Beamsville Escarpment ANSI in 1991.	R4	R6			S4	DRYOPTERIDACEAE
Dryopteris intermedia (Muhlenb. ex Willd.) A. Gray	Evergreen Wood Fern	С	Most common on the Niagara Escarpment.	С	С			S5	DRYOPTERIDACEAE
Dryopteris marginalis (L.) A. Gray	Marginal Wood Fern	U	Locally common in rocky Niagara Escarpment woodlands; rare elsewhere in the region.	С	С			S5	DRYOPTERIDACEAE
Dryopteris x triploidea Wherry	(D. carthusiana X D. intermedia)	hyb	Few records though probably overlooked. C.A. Campbell (HAM) from Short Hills Wilderness Area in 1979.	hyb	С			S3S4	DRYOPTERIDACEAE
Duchesnea indica (Andrz.) Focke	Indian Strawberry	IR	Rare weed in woods and thickets. M.J. Oldham #32896 (DAO) from Niagara Glen in 2006.					SE1	ROSACEAE
Dulichium arundinaceum (L.) Britton	Three-way Sedge	R	Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990). A.C. Garofalo #07-732 (HAM) from Lyon's Creek in 2007.	U8	VU			S5	CYPERACEAE
Dysphania ambrosioides (L.) Mosyakin & Clemants	Mexican Wormseed	IR	Rare weed. W. Scott (TRT) from Niagara Falls in 1898. = Chenopodium		I			SE1	AMARANTHACEAE

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			ambrosioides.						
Dysphania botrys (L.) Mosyakin & Clemants	Jerusalem-oak	IR	An uncommon weed of roadsides and railways. Collected as early as the late 1800s (R. Cameron, NFO, det. M.J. Oldham in 2007) from Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park. Recent specimens at TRT (McIntosh and Catling 1979). = Chenopodium botrys.	I				SE4	AMARANTHACEAE
Dysphania pumilio (R. Brown) Mosyakin & Clemants	Clammy Goosefoot	IR	A collection from a parking lot in St. Catherines (M.J. Oldham #33954, DAO) in 2006 is the first regional report and the second record for Ontario. = Chenopodium pumilio.					SE1	AMARANTHACEAE
Dyssodia papposa (Vent.) A.S. Hitchc.	Fetid Dogweed	IH	Reported by D.F. Day as a railway weed at Fort Erie (Macoun 1883-1892; as <i>D. chrysanthemoides</i>); no subsequent regional reports.					SE4	ASTERACEAE
Echinacea purpurea (L.) Moench	Eastern Purple Coneflower	IR	Garden escape. NAI.					SE1	ASTERACEAE
Echinochloa crusgalli (L.) P. Beauv.	Barnyard Grass	IC	Common weed of disturbed frequently moist ground. Easily confused with other <i>Echinochloa</i> species (see Dore & McNeill 1980).	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Echinochloa muricata (P. Beauv.) Fern. var. microstachya (Wieg.) Rydb.	Western Barnyard Grass	R	Mostly along shorelines. J. Jalava #91-66 (TRT) from Fifteen Mile Creek ANSI in 1991 (Jalava et al. 1992; as E. wiegandii). = Echinochloa microstachya, E. wiegandii.	U7	?			S4S5	POACEAE
Echinochloa muricata (P. Beauv.) Fern. var. muricata	Barnyard Grass	R	Apparently rare. Distribution and status not well known due to confusion with other <i>Echinochloa</i> species. Riley et al. (1996). J. Jalava #91-400 (TRT) from Fifteen Mile Creek ANSI in 1991 (Jalava et al. 1992).	R4	?			S4	POACEAE
Echinochloa walteri (Pursh) A.A. Heller	Walter's Barnyard Grass	R	Four-Mile Pond, west of Niagara-on- the-Lake, M.J. Oldham #18116 (DAO) in 1995.		R2			S3	POACEAE
Echinocystis lobata (Michaux) Torrey & A.	Wild Cucumber	С		С	С			S5	CUCURBITACEAE

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Gray									
Echinops sphaerocephalus L.	Globe-thistle	IR	Pt. Abino Peninsula, Macdonald 1990					SE4	ASTERACEAE
Echium vulgare L.	Viper's-bugloss	IC		I	I			SE5	BORAGINACEAE
Elaeagnus angustifolia L.	Russian Olive	IR	M.J. Oldham #34928 (DAO, MICH) from Niagara Falls railway yard in 2007.	I				SE3	ELAEAGNACEAE
Elaeagnus umbellata Thunb.	Autumn Olive	IU	M.J. Oldham #32589 (MICH) from railway tracks near Chippewa Parkway in 2006.	I	I			SE3	ELAEAGNACEAE
Eleocharis acicularis (L.) Roemer & Schultes	Needle Spike-rush	R	Mudlfats and moist shorelines. A.C. Garofalo #07-607 (HAM) from Merrit Road Swamp in 2007.	U6	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Eleocharis compressa Sullivant	Flattened Spike-rush	R	Single record, limestone Lake Erie shoreline. T. Smith #335 (HAM) from Point Abino in 2001.	R1				S4	CYPERACEAE
Eleocharis elliptica Kunth	Elliptic Spike-rush	R	Lake Erie limestone shoreline and nearby quarry bottoms. M.J. Oldham #34309 (MICH) from limestone quarry near Lake Erie shore near Port Colborne in 2007. = Eleocharis tenuis var. borealis.		U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Eleocharis erythropoda Steudel	Red-based Spike-rush	U		С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Eleocharis flavescens (Poiret) Urban var. olivacea (Torr.) Gleason	Olive-fruited Spike- rush	R	Point Abino only (M.J. Oldham #8775, MICH, TRTE, in 1988). = Eleocharis olivacea.		R1			S4	CYPERACEAE
Eleocharis obtusa (Willd.) Schultes	Blunt Spike-rush	С	Common on moist shores.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Eleocharis palustris (L.) Roemer & J.A. Schultes	Small's Spike-rush	R	Riley et al. (1996). = Eleocharis smallii.	R5	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Eleocharis quinqueflora (F. Hartmann) Schwartz	Few-flowered Spike- rush	R	Lake Erie limestone shoreline and a nearby quarry bottom. M.J. Oldham #34313 (MICH) from limestone quarry near Lake Erie shore near Port Colborne in 2007. = Eleocharis pauciflora.		R1			S5	CYPERACEAE

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Eleocharis rostellata (Torrey) Torrey	Beaked Spike-rush	RH	5.6 km NW of Fort Erie, ditch along railway line, P.M. Catling and K.L. McIntosh (TRT) in 1977 (McIntosh and Catling 1979).					S3	CYPERACEAE
Eleusine indica (L.) Gaertner	Goose Grass	IR	Four-Mile Pond, west of Niagara-on-the- Lake, M.J. Oldham #18131 (DAO) in 1995.	I	I			SE3	POACEAE
Elodea canadensis Rich. ex Michaux	Canada Water-weed	U		С	С			S5	HYDROCHARITACEAE
Elodea nuttallii (Planchon) H. St. John	Nuttall's Water- weed	RH	J. Macoun #82331 (CAN) from Niagara Falls in 1901. No recent reports.		R1			S4	HYDROCHARITACEAE
ELYMUS	see also		AGROPYRON, PASCOPYRUM, THINOPYRUM						POACEAE
Elymus canadensis L.	Canada Wild-rye	U	Mostly from sandy Lake Erie shorelines, sometimes along railways.	R4	U			S4S5	POACEAE
Elymus hystrix L.	Bottlebrush Grass	C	Common, woodlands. = <i>Hystrix patula</i> .	С	С			S5	POACEAE
Elymus repens (L.) Gould	Quack Grass	IC	An abundant weedy grass of disturbed areas. = Agropyron repens, Elytrigia repens.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Elymus riparius Wieg.	River Bank Wild-rye	R	Riley et al. (1996). S. Varga #91-100 (TRT) from Decew Valley in 1991.	R5	C			S4?	POACEAE
Elymus trachycaulus (Link) Gould in Shinn. ssp. trachycaulus	Slender Wheat Grass	R	Riley et al. (1996). = Agropyron trachycaulum.	R1	U			S5	POACEAE
Elymus villosus Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Hairy Wild-rye	U	TRT	R2	VU			S4	POACEAE
Elymus virginicus L. var. virginicus	Virginia Wild-rye	С		С	С			S5	POACEAE
Elymus wiegandii Fern.	Wiegand's Wild-rye	RH	Riley et al. (1996).					S4	POACEAE
ELYTRIGIA	see		ELYMUS						POACEAE
Epifagus virginiana (L.) Barton	Beech-drops	С		С	С			S5	OROBANCHACEAE
EPILOBIUM	see also		CHAMERION						ONAGRACEAE
Epilobium ciliatum Raf. ssp. ciliatum	Willow-herb	С	Reports of ssp. glandulosum (NAI database) require checking.	С	С			S5	ONAGRACEAE
Epilobium coloratum Biehler	Purple-leaved Willow-herb	С		С	VU			S5	ONAGRACEAE

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Epilobium hirsutum L.	Great Hairy Willow- herb	IC		I	I			SE5	ONAGRACEAE
Epilobium leptophyllum Raf.	Narrow-leaved Willow-herb	R	Riley et al. (1996). S. Varga #153-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Provincial Park in 1993.	C	U			S5	ONAGRACEAE
Epilobium parviflorum Schreber	Small-flowered Willow-herb	IU	An increasingly common Eurasian weed recently established in North America. See Eckel (2002). MJO.	I	I			SE4	ONAGRACEAE
Epipactis helleborine (L.) Crantz	Helleborine	IC		I	I			SE5	ORCHIDACEAE
Equisetum arvense L.	Field Horsetail	С		С	С			S5	EQUISETACEAE
Equisetum fluviatile L.	River Horsetail	R	B. Miller #444 (HAM) from near Niagara-on-the-Lake in 1952.	С	U			S5	EQUISETACEAE
Equisetum hyemale L. ssp. affine (Engelm.) Stone	Common Scouring- rush	U	Uncommon in sandy moist ground.	С	С			S5	EQUISETACEAE
Equisetum laevigatum A. Braun	Smooth Scouring- rush	R	Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990). M.J. Oldham # 34333 (MICH) from Lake Erie shoreline near Port Colborne in 2007.		VU			S4	EQUISETACEAE
Equisetum pratense Ehrh.	Meadow Horsetail	R	Riley et al. (1996). S. Varga #69-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Wildlife Refuge in 1993.	U7	VU			S5	EQUISETACEAE
Equisetum scirpoides Michaux	Dwarf Scouring- rush	R	"Rare. Whirlpool, Niagara River, Ont. Day (1882). "Near the Whirlpool, Ontario," Day (1888). Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). "Ontario: near the Whirlpool (Day, Cat. of Niag. Fl.)," Zenkert (1934). " encountered in the Park," Hamilton (1943). (Eckel 2001). Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990).	R4	U			85	EQUISETACEAE
Equisetum sylvaticum L.	Wood Horsetail	R		С	С			S5	EQUISETACEAE
Equisetum variegatum Schleicher ex Weber & Mohr ssp. variegatum	Variegated Scouring-rush	R	Riley et al. (1996)	C	C			S5	EQUISETACEAE
Equisetum x mackaii (Newman) Brichan	(E. hyemale X E. variegatum ssp. variegatum)	hyb	Point Abino (OAC, TRTE; Macdonald 1990). B. Miller #633 (HAM) from Rose Hill in 1948. = Equisetum x trachyodon.	hyb	VU			S3?	EQUISETACEAE

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Equisetum x nelsonii (A.A. Eat.) Schaffn. (pro sp.)	(E. laevigatum X E. variegatum ssp. variegatum)	hyb	B. Miller #633 (HAM) from Rose Hill in 1948.					S2?	EQUISETACEAE
Eragrostis cilianensis (All.) Lutati ex Hubb.	Stink Grass	IR	TRT (Heimburger 1955). Dore and McNeill (1980)	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Eragrostis frankii C.A. Meyer ex Steudel	Frank's Love Grass	R	Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990). M.J. Oldham #23161 (DAO) from Marcy's Woods in 1999.	R3	I			S4	POACEAE
Eragrostis minor Host	Little Love Grass	IU	Railway yard near Niagara Falls, M.J. Oldham #3855 (DAO, TRTE) in 1983.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Eragrostis pectinacea (Michaux) Nees var. pectinacea	Tufted Love Grass	U	Presumably native on sandy shorelines, widely adventive along roads and railways. M.J. Oldham #34973 (DAO) from Point Abino in 2007.	R3	I			S5	POACEAE
Eragrostis spectabilis (Pursh) Steudel	Purple Love Grass	IR	Two sites (Fort Erie railway yard and Wainfleet Wetlands), where probably non-native. Fort Erie railway yard, Catling & Riley (CAN, DAO, TRT) in 1976 (Catling et al. 1977). Niagara Falls railway yard, M.J. Oldham #18157 (DAO) in 1995.		I			S4	POACEAE
Eranthis hyemalis (L.) Salisb.	Winter Aconite	IR	Persisting or escaped from cultivation near Niagara River. M.J. Oldham #32432 (DAO) from Paradise Grove in 2006					SE1	RANUNCULACEAE
Erechtites hieraciifolius (L.) Raf. ex DC.	Pilewort	С		R5	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Erigeron annuus (L.) Pers.	Daisy Fleabane	С		С	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Erigeron philadelphicus L. var. philadelphicus	Philadelphia Fleabane	С		C	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Erigeron pulchellus Michaux var. pulchellus	Robin's-plantain	R	Riley et al. (TRT; 1996). Point Abino (TRTE; Macdonald 1990).	С	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Erigeron strigosus Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Spreading Fleabane	R	Status poorly known due to confusion with <i>E. annuus</i> .	С	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Eriophorum vaginatum L. ssp. spissum (Fern.) Hulten	Cotton-grass	R	Wainfleet Bog only (Macdonald 1992). = Eriophorum spissum.	R1				S5	CYPERACEAE
Eriophorum virginicum L.	Tawny Cotton-grass	R	Wainfleet Bog only (Macdonald 1992).	R2				S5	CYPERACEAE

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Eriophorum viridicarinatum (Engelm.) Fern.	Cotton-grass	R	Short Hills, Varga (TRT) in 1993		R1			S5	CYPERACEAE
Erodium cicutarium (L.) L'Her. ssp. cicutarium	Stork's-bill	IR	McIntosh & Catling (1979).	I				SE3	GERANIACEAE
EROPHILA	see		DRABA						BRASSICACEAE
Erucastrum gallicum (Willd.) O.E. Schulz	Dog Mustard	IR	HAM	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Erysimum cheiranthoides L. ssp. cheiranthoides	Wormseed Mustard	IU	Riley et al. (1996)	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Erysimum repandum L.	Spreading Wallflower	IR	Rare weed. Port Colborne (M.J. Oldham #35113, DAO, HAM, in 2008).					SE2	BRASSICACEAE
Erythronium albidum Nutt.	White Trout Lily	R	Rare in rich, often floodplain, woods. W. Scott (TRT) from Queenston in 1901.	R4	U			S4	LILIACEAE
Erythronium americanum Ker Gawler ssp. americanum	Yellow Trout Lily	С		С	U			S5	LILIACEAE
Euonymus alata (Thunb.) Siebold	Winged Euonymus	IR	Niagara Gorge ANSI (includes Glen and Whirlpool) (Riley et al. 1996).	I				SE2	CELASTRACEAE
Euonymus atropurpurea Jacq. var. atropurpurea	Burning Bush	R	Most records historical (CAN, HAM, TRT; ARVO database).	R3	R3			S3	CELASTRACEAE
Euonymus europaea L.	Spindle-tree	IU	Increasingly common escape from cultivation. M.J. Oldham #32625 (MICH) from Brown's Point Park in 2006					SE2	CELASTRACEAE
Euonymus fortunei (Turcz.) HandMazz.	Wintercreeper	IU	Increasingly common escape from cultivation. M.J. Oldham #32345 (DAO) from Niagara Parkway in 2006	I				SE1	CELASTRACEAE
Euonymus obovata Nutt.	Running Strawberry- bush	С		С	С			S5	CELASTRACEAE
EUPATORIADELPHUS	see		EUTROCHIUM						ASTERACEAE
EUPATORIUM	see also		AGERATINA, EUTROCHIUM						ASTERACEAE
Eupatorium altissimum L.	Tall Thoroughwort	IR	Railway yard in Niagara Falls, P.M. Catling & K.M. McIntosh (TRT), 1976 (McIntosh and Catling 1979, Oldham 1988). Fort Erie railway tracks, M.J. Oldham #7846 (DAO) in 1987.	I	I			S1	ASTERACEAE
Eupatorium perfoliatum L.	Boneset	C		С	C			S5	ASTERACEAE

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Eupatorium serotinum Michaux	Late-flowering Thoroughwort	IR	M.J. Oldham #34930 (DAO) from Niagara Falls Railway Yard in 2007.					SE1	ASTERACEAE
EUPHORBIA	see also		CHAMAESYCE						EUPHORBIACEAE
Euphorbia cyparissias L.	Cypress Spurge	IU	Riley, Jalava & Varga 1996	I	I			SE5	EUPHORBIACEAE
Euphorbia davidii Subils	David's Spurge	IR	Previous regional reports of <i>E. dentata</i> are probably this species. M.J. Oldham #34859 (TRTE) from Fort Erie railway yard in 2007.	I	I			SE3?	EUPHORBIACEAE
Euphorbia esula L.	Leafy Spurge	IR	Riley et al (1996)	I	I			SE5	EUPHORBIACEAE
Euphorbia exigua L.	Little Spurge	IH	Collected from an abandoned quarry near Port Colborne by W.L. Putnam (#242, DAO) in 1978. Only known regional record.					SE1	EUPHORBIACEAE
Euphorbia glyptosperma Engelm.	Engraved Spurge	IR	Reported from the Niagara Parks System (Cameron 1895) and Niagara Gorge ANSI (Riley et al. 1996). = Chamaesyce glyptosperma.	I	I			SE5	EUPHORBIACEAE
Euphorbia helioscopia L.	Sun Spurge	IR	"Queenston," Field Club, 1886. With E. platyphylla, roadsides on the mainland, Day (1888). Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). Queenston, Wm. Scott, Sept. 6, 1898 (TRT) (Heimburger, 1955). "Niagara Co.: Niagara Falls Ontario: Niagara Falls, Queenston," Zenkert (1934).	I				SE3	EUPHORBIACEAE
Euphorbia maculata L.	Hairy-fruited Spurge	IU	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #32933 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2006. = Chamaesyce maculata, C. supina, Euphorbia supina.	I	I			SE5	EUPHORBIACEAE
Euphorbia nutans Lagasca	Eyebane	R	Although considered native to Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990) this species usually occurs in disturbed habitats. M.J. Oldham #33832 (DAO) from the Niagara River Whirlpool in 2006. = Chamaesyce nutans, Euphorbia preslii.	U7	C			S4S5	EUPHORBIACEAE
Euphorbia peplus L.	Petty Spurge	IR	Ontario: Roundhouse, Niagara Falls, Wm. Scott, Sept. 12, 1903 (9077), Heimburger (1955).	I				SE4	EUPHORBIACEAE
Euphorbia platyphyllos L.	Broad-leaved Spurge	IR	Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls). MJO.	I				SE4	EUPHORBIACEAE

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Euphorbia polygonifolia L.	Seaside Spurge	R	Rare, on open, sandy Lake Erie shores, its typical habitat in the Great Lakes region (Guire and Voss 1963). M.J. Oldham #18191 (MICH) from Windmill Point in 1995. = Chamaesyce polygonifolia.	R1	U			S4	EUPHORBIACEAE
Euphorbia vermiculata Raf.	Hairy-stemmed Spurge	R	Rare; sometimes weedy. Point Abino (TRTE; Macdonald 1990). M.J. Oldham #34970 (DAO) from Thunder Bay beach in 2007. = Chamaesyce vermiculata.	R1	U			S5	EUPHORBIACEAE
Eurybia divaricata (L.) Nesom	White Wood Aster	U	Recent fieldwork in Niagara has documented more than a dozen new populations of this species. Mainly restricted to dry sandy uplands with suitable moisture on the Niagara Escarpment, the Fonthill Kame, St. David's Buried Valley, Onandaga Escarpment, forested Lake Erie dunes, abadonded shorelines of glacial lakes, and occassionally along steep valley slopes associated wih large watercourses. M.J. Oldham #33866 (WAT) from Paradise Grove in 2006. See COSEWIC (2000c). = Aster divaricatus.	RH		THR	THR	S2	ASTERACEAE
Eurybia macrophylla (L.) Cass. in Cuvier	Large-leaved Aster	С	Common in upland woods. = Aster macrophyllus.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Eurybia schreberi (Nees) Nees	Schreber's Aster	R	Rare in rich upland woods of the Carolinian Zone. Easily confused with E. macrophylla. M.J. Oldham #32938 (WAT) from Ball's Falls Conservation Area in 2006. = Aster schreberi.	R2				S2S3	ASTERACEAE
Euthamia graminifolia (L.) Nutt. ex Cass.	Grass-leaved Goldenrod	С	A common goldenrod, with narrow leaves. = Solidago graminifolia.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Eutrochium maculatum (L.) Lamont var. maculatum	Spotted Joe-Pye-weed	С	Common in wetlands. = Eupatoriadelphus maculatus, Eupatorium maculatum ssp. maculatum.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE

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Eutrochium purpureum (L.) Lamont var. purpureum	Sweet Joe-Pye-weed	R	Rare, rich woods, often on floodplains. S. Varga #91-78 (TRT) from Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI in 1991. = Eupatorium purpureum var. purpureum.	R5	VU			S4	ASTERACEAE
Fagopyrum esculentum Moench	Buckwheat	IH	Rare weed. = $Fagopyrum\ sagittatum$.	I	I			SE3	POLYGONACEAE
Fagus grandifolia Ehrh.	American Beech	С	Suffering major dieback from Beech Bark Disease (<i>Nectria</i> species), a fungal disease which is at least partially introduced from Europe. The disease affects larger diameter trees, often killing back the entire canopy of mature beech trees but leaving small diameter understory trees or suckers unaffected. It remains to be seen if this species can set new fruit on the young unaffected trees or if it will only persist from root suckers.	С	С			S5	FAGACEAE
Fallopia cilinodis (Michx.) Holub	Fringed Black Bindweed	R	Collected in 2000 in a dune forest at Point Abino by Sean Blaney (pers. comm. 2010). = Polygonum cilinode.	R1	R			S5	POLYGONACEAE
Fallopia convolvulus (L.) A. Löve	Wild Buckwheat	IU	Uncommon weed. = Bilderdykia convolvulus, Polygonum convolvulus.	I	I			SE5	POLYGONACEAE
Fallopia dumetorum (L.) Holub	Climbing False- buckwheat	IH	A specimen collected by R. Cameron (NFO, det. M.J. Oldham in 2007) from Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park has the small perianth (< 8 mm) characteristic of <i>F. dumetorum</i> . No recent records. = <i>Polygonum scandens</i> var. <i>dumetorum</i> .					SEH	POLYGONACEAE
Fallopia japonica (Hout.) Dene.	Japanese Knotweed	IU	An aggressive introduced species probably spreading in the region. M.J. Oldham #34929 (DAO) from Niagara Falls railway yard in 2007. = Polygonum cuspidatum, Reynoutria japonica.	I	I			SE4	POLYGONACEAE

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Fallopia sachalinensis (F. Schmidt ex Maxim.) Dcne.	Giant Knotweed	IR	Large and well-established colony at Dufferin Islands, spreading into adjacent woods (M.J. Oldham #34958, DAO, in 2007). = Polygonum sachalinense, Reynoutria sachalinensis.					SE1	POLYGONACEAE
Fallopia scandens (L.) Holub	Climbing False Buckwheat	U	J. Jalava #91-16 (TRT) from 16 Mile Creek ANSI in 1991. = Polygonum scandens.	R2	VU			S4S5	POLYGONACEAE
FESTUCA	see also		SCHEDONORUS						POACEAE
Festuca filiformis Pourret	Hair Fescue	IR	A rare weed of lawns and other disturbed sites. M.J. Oldham #32427 (DAO, MICH) from Paradise Grove in 2006 = Festuca tenuifolia, F. capillata.		I			SE2	POACEAE
Festuca rubra L.	Red Fescue	IC	Regional records are probably from introduced populations.	I	I			S5	POACEAE
Festuca subverticillata (Pers.) E. Alexeev	Nodding Fescue	U	An uncommon woodland grass. = Festuca obtusa.	U7	С			S4	POACEAE
Festuca trachyphylla (Hack.) Krajina	Hard Fescue	IR	Rare and local in disturbed, sandy soil of cemeteries and roadsides. = Festuca brevipila, Festuca ovina, F. longifolia.	I	I			SE4	POACEAE
Filipendula ulmaria (L.) Maxim. ssp. ulmaria	Queen-of-the-prairie	IH	" only rarely found in the fields above the Whirlpool," Hamilton (1943). Dufferin Islands, Hamilton, July 25, 1943 (NFO).(Eckel 2001)					SE1	ROSACEAE
Floerkea proserpinacoides Willd.	False Mermaid	R	Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). Navy Island, Eckel, May 13, 1998 (BUF). Frenchman's Creek, near Fort Erie, M.J. Oldham #23290 (TRT) in 2000.	U9	U			S4	LIMNANTHACEAE
Foeniculum vulgare Miller	Fennell	IH	" reported from the Parks," Hamilton (1943); Montgomery (1957)					SE3?	APIACEAE
Forsythia viridissima Lindley	Forsythia	IR	A rare escape from cultivation. Some or all records may be of <i>Forsythia</i> x <i>intermedia</i> which is the commonest escaped Forsythia in Michigan (A.A. Reznicek pers. comm. 2010). M.J. Oldham #34044 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2007.					SE2	OLEACEAE
Fragaria vesca L.	Woodland Strawberry	С		С	U		_	S5	ROSACEAE

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Fragaria virginiana Miller	Wild Strawberry	С		С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Frangula alnus Mill.	Glossy Buckthorn	IC	Weed in wet areas. = Alnus frangula.	I	I			SE5	RHAMNACEAE
Frasera caroliniensis Walter	American Columbo	R	Rare, most records historical and from the Queenston area (CAN, DAO, TRT): "on the slope of Queenston Heights near the railway" (Macoun 1884); "in a woods about one and one-half miles west of Brock's Monument, Queenston" (Day 1883). " was formerly common on the slopes of Queenston Heights" (Hamilton 1943). Recent records from Short Hills Provincial Park, Fifteen and Sixteen Mile Creek Valleys. See McIntosh & Catling (1979), COSEWIC (2006a). = Swertia caroliniensis.	R1	R1	END	END	S1	GENTIANACEAE
Fraxinus americana L.	White Ash	С		С	С			S5	OLEACEAE
Fraxinus excelsior L.	European Ash	IR	Rare in disturbed woods. M.J. Oldham #32964 (DAO) from Whirlpool in 2006.					SE2	OLEACEAE
Fraxinus nigra Marshall	Black Ash	U	A generally uncomon tree of organic or rich wetlands and remaining as an understory tree in open swamps. In Niagara, "The Black Ash, once very abundant in swamps and there outnumbering all other species combined, seems to have fared the worst. It was once the principal source of rail lumber, but the progressive drying out of the land is mainly responsible for its marked decrease. Seedlings of the Black Ash do not compete successfully under drier conditions with those of the White Elm and those of Red and Silver Maples, with the result that these have become the prevailing trees in low ground" (notes from E.J. Hill in 1895, taken from Waldron 2003)	С	С			S5	OLEACEAE

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Fraxinus pennsylvanica Marshall	Red/Green Ash	С	The dominant successional tree with White Elm in wet ground. Abundant and widespread in young wet woods and regenerating moist fields and forested swamps. Outcompeted by maple species which replace the ash from the regeneration layer after canopy closesure. Both var. subintegerrima (Vahl) Fern. (Red Ash) and var. pennsylvanica (Green Ash) are common and widespread in Niagara.	С	С			S5	OLEACEAE
Fraxinus profunda Bush	Pumpkin Ash	R	Rare in wet woods. M.J. Oldham #18109b (MICH, det. A.A. Reznicek) from Culp's Woods near Beamsville in 1995.					S2	OLEACEAE
Fuirena pumila (Torrey) Sprengel	Dwarf Umbrella- grass	RH	Collected in 1880 from Port Colborne, NIAG, and not seen since in Canada (Reznicek & Catling 1984).					SX	CYPERACEAE
Fumaria officinalis L.	Fumitory	IR	A.C. Garofalo (HAM) from Wainfleet Township in 2007.					SE2	PAPAVERACEAE
Gaillardia aristata Pursh	Great-flowered Gaillardia	IR	Pt. Abino Peninsula, Macdonald 1990	I				SE1	ASTERACEAE
Galearis spectabilis (L.) Raf.	Showy Orchis	R	Riley et al. 1996; Pt. Abino Peninsula, Macdonald 1990. W. Scott (TRT) from the Niagara River Whirlpool in 1905. = Orchis spectabilis.	R1	R3			S4	ORCHIDACEAE
Galega officinalis L.	Goat's Rue	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #33856 (DAO, MICH) from near St. Catherines in 2006.					SE1	FABACEAE
Galeopsis tetrahit L.	Hemp-nettle	IR		I	I			SE5	LAMIACEAE
Galinsoga quadriradiata Ruiz, Lopez & Pavon	Hairy Galinsoga	IR	Riley et al. (1986). = Galinsoga ciliata.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Galium aparine L.	Cleavers	С		С	С			S5	RUBIACEAE
Galium asprellum Michaux	Rough Bedstraw	С		С	С			S5	RUBIACEAE
Galium boreale L.	Northern Bedstraw	U		С	U			S5	RUBIACEAE
Galium circaezans Michaux	Wild Licorice	U		С	С			S5	RUBIACEAE
Galium lanceolatum Torrey	Lance-leaved Wild Licorice	U		U9	С			S5	RUBIACEAE
Galium mollugo L.	Wild Madder	IC		I	I			SE5	RUBIACEAE

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Galium obtusum Bigelow	Obtuse Bedstraw	R	Rare in woodlands, though perhaps somewhat overlooked due to similiarity to other bedstraws.	С	C			S4S5	RUBIACEAE
Galium odoratum L.	Sweet-scented Bedstraw	IR	Railtrail below the Escarpment near Queenston, C.J. Rothfels #1456 (HAM) in 2004.					SE1	RUBIACEAE
Galium palustre L.	Marsh Bedstraw	C		C				S5	RUBIACEAE
Galium pilosum Aiton var. pilosum	Hairy Bedstraw	RH	Several early reports, most recently Pt. Abino Peninsula, though not seen there since the 1920's (Macdonald 1990). Early records from Queenston and Niagara Falls (BUF, TRT; ARVPO database).		U			S3	RUBIACEAE
Galium tinctorium L.	Dyer's Bedstraw	R	A small and taxonomically dificult species of wetlands.	C	U			S5	RUBIACEAE
Galium trifidum L.	Bedstraw	U	Poorly known in the region due to confusion with similar species.	С	U			S5	RUBIACEAE
Galium triflorum Michaux	Fragrant Bedstraw	С		С	С			S5	RUBIACEAE
Galium verum L.	Yellow Bedstraw	IU		I	I			S4S5	RUBIACEAE
Gamochaeta purpurea (L.) Cabrera	Purple Cudweed	RH	J. Macoun (CAN) from Port Colborne in 1885. Extirpated in Ontario; one of two provincial records. = Gnaphalium purpureum.					SX	ASTERACEAE
Gaultheria hispidula (L.) Muhlenb. ex Bigelow	Snowberry	RH	"A sphagnous swamp, near Black Creek, Ontario, a few miles south of Chippewa has produced (this species), Day (1888). Ontario, Niagara Park System (as <i>Chiogenes hispidula</i>), Cameron (1895). (as <i>C. hispidula</i>), " reported from the Parks System," Hamilton (1943).	R2	R3			85	ERICACEAE
Gaultheria procumbens L.	Wintergreen	U		C	C			S5	ERICACEAE
GAURA	see		OENOTHERA						ONAGRACEAE
Gaylussacia baccata (Wang.) K. Koch	Black Huckleberry	R	W. Scott (TRT) from Niagara River Whirlpool in 1898.	R4	C			S4	ERICACEAE
GENTIANA	see also		GENTIANELLA, GENTIANOPSIS						GENTIANACEAE
Gentiana andrewsii Griseb. var. andrewsii	Closed Gentian	U		С	U			S4	GENTIANACEAE

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Gentianella quinquefolia (L.) Small	Stiff Gentian	RH	Niagara Falls, J. Macoun (CAN) in 1894 (ARVPO database).	R1				S2	GENTIANACEAE
Gentianopsis crinita (Froelich) Ma	Fringed Gentian	R	Found in moist, open, calcareous sites. = Gentiana crinita, Gentianella crinita.	R5	U			S5	GENTIANACEAE
Gentianopsis virgata (Raf.) Holub	Narrow-leaved Fringed Gentian	R	Niagara River, rare. M.J. Oldham #33943 (NHIC) from the Niagara River Whirlpool in 2006. = Gentiana procera, Gentianella crinita ssp. procera, Gentianopsis procera.					S4	GENTIANACEAE
Geranium carolinianum L.	Carolina Crane's-bill	RH	One record mapped (based on a specimen examined) along the Niagara River by Cody (1982).					S4	GERANIACEAE
Geranium maculatum L.	Wild Geranium	С		С	С			S5	GERANIACEAE
Geranium pusillum L.	Small-flowered Crane's-bill	IR	An uncommon small weed of lawns and cemeteries.	I	I			SE4	GERANIACEAE
Geranium robertianum L.	Herb Robert	IC		I	С			SE5	GERANIACEAE
GERARDIA	see		AGALINIS, AUREOLARIA						OROBANCHACEAE
Geum aleppicum Jacq.	Yellow Avens	С		С	U			S5	ROSACEAE
Geum canadense Jacq.	White Avens	С		С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Geum laciniatum Murray	Cut-leaved Avens	С		С	С			S4	ROSACEAE
Geum rivale L.	Water Avens	R	Rare in swamps.	R5	U			S5	ROSACEAE
Geum urbanum L.	Urban Avens	IR	M.J. Oldham #32633 (DAO, MICH) from Paradise Grove in 2006	I	I			SE2SE3	ROSACEAE
Geum vernum (Raf.) Torrey & A. Gray	Spring Avens	R	M.J. Oldham #23270 (MICH) from Marcy's Woods in 2000.					S4	ROSACEAE
Geum x catlingii J. Bernard & Gauthier	(G. canadense X G. urbanum)	hyb	Four Mile Pond, west of Niagara-on-the- Lake, M.J. Oldham #18124 (MICH) in 1995. C.J. Rothfels specimens (HAM) from Paradise Grove and near Queenston in 2004.					SE1	ROSACEAE
Glechoma hederacea L.	Gill-over-the-ground	IC		I	I			SE5	LAMIACEAE
Gleditsia triacanthos L.	Honey Locust	R	According to Riley et al. (1996) the "Niagara Gorge station is probably native" and Argus et al. (1982-1987) map several native sites in the Niagara River area. Also commonly planted and persisting/spreading after cultivation.	I	I			S2	FABACEAE

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Glyceria borealis (Nash) Batchelder	Northern Manna Grass	RH	Mapped from the Niagara River area (vicinity of Niagara-on-the-Lake) by Dore and McNeill (1980).	R4	U			S5	POACEAE
Glyceria canadensis (Michaux) Trin.	Rattlesnake Manna Grass	R	Wainfleet Bog, Macdonald 1992	R5	R3			S4S5	POACEAE
Glyceria grandis S. Watson	Tall Manna Grass	С		С	U			S4S5	POACEAE
Glyceria septentrionalis A.S. Hitchc.	Eastern Manna Grass	С	Common; wooded swamps.	С	U			S4	POACEAE
Glyceria striata (Lam.) A.S. Hitchc.	Fowl Manna Grass	С		С	С			S5	POACEAE
Glycine max (L.) Merr.	Soybean	IR	Fort Erie Railway Yard, where probably an ephemeral waif from spilled grain. M.J. Oldham #34858					SE1	FABACEAE
Glycyrrhiza lepidota Nutt. ex Pursh	Wild Licorice	RH	Reported from the Fort Erie area as early as 1862 by G.W. Clinton (Eckel 2001), though not seen in Niagara since 1967 (F.H. Montgomery, OAC, from Erie Beach, just west of Fort Erie).					S3	FABACEAE
GNAPHALIUM	see also		GAMOCHAETA, PSEUDOGNAPHALIUM						ASTERACEAE
Gnaphalium uliginosum L.	Low Cudweed	IR	Uncommon in moist open areas, often mudflats.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Goodyera pubescens (Willd.) R. Br.	Downy Rattlesnake- plantain	RH	Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). " a single plant was found at Paradise Grove in (1938)," Hamilton (1943). Ontario: Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca.1890] (NFO).		VU			S4	ORCHIDACEAE
Gratiola neglecta Torrey	Hedge-hyssop	U	Uncommon in moist open areas.	U9	U			S4	PLANTAGINACEAE
<i>Grindelia squarrosa</i> (Pursh) Dun.	Broadleaf Gumweed	IH	Heimburger (1955).					SE3	ASTERACEAE
Gymnocarpium dryopteris (L.) Newman	Common Oak Fern	RH	Reported from North Pelham Valley by Campbell (1982). Historical report from Niagara Parks System (as Phegopteris dryopteris), Cameron (1895). Mapped from Niagara by Cody and Britton (1989).	С	U			85	DRYOPTERIDACEAE

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Gymnocladus dioicus (L.) K. Koch	Kentucky Coffee Tree	IR	No native Niagara populations mapped by Argus et al. (1982-1987). Occasionally planted with some populations appearing in relatively natural habitats (e.g. at Dufferin Islands). Also planted in natural habitat at Short Hills Sanctuary by G.E. Meyers in the 1960s (A. Garofalo pers. comm. 2010).	I	I?	THR	THR	S2	FABACEAE
HABENARIA	see		DACTYLORHIZA, PLATANTHERA						ORCHIDACEAE
Hackelia virginiana (L.) I.M. Johnston	Stickseed	U		С	С			S5	BORAGINACEAE
Hamamelis virginiana L.	Witch-hazel	C		C	C			S5	HAMAMELIDACEAE
Hedeoma pulegioides (L.) Pers.	American Pennyroyal	U		С	U			S4	LAMIACEAE
Hedera helix L.	English Ivy	IR	C.J. Rothfels #1457 (HAM) from railtrail below the Escarpment near Queenston in 2004.					SE1	ARALIACEAE
HEDYOTIS	see		HOUSTONIA						RUBIACEAE
Helenium autumnale L.	Sneezeweed	R			U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Helenium flexuosum Raf.	Purple-headed Sneezeweed	IR	Collected (TRT) at Cresecent Beach in 1969 by P.M. Catling (McIntosh and Catling 1979). A.C. Garofalo (HAM)		I			SE2?	ASTERACEAE
Helianthemum canadense (L.) Michaux	Frostweed	RH	Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " very seldom found a few specimens have been discovered in the open woods near the Parks School," Hamilton (1943). Ontario: Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, 1891 (NFO). Niagara Gorge ANSI (includes Glen and Whirlpool) (Riley et al. 1996). HAM.	R1	VU			S4	CISTACEAE
Helianthus annuus L.	Common Sunflower	IR	Pt. Abino Peninsula, Macdonald 1990		I			SE4	ASTERACEAE
Helianthus decapetalus L.	Thin-leaved Sunflower	R	Point Abino (BUF, TRTE; Macdonald 1990). Riley et al. (1996).	R3	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Helianthus divaricatus L.	Woodland Sunflower	U		U8	C			S5	ASTERACEAE
Helianthus giganteus L.	Tall Sunflower	RH	Ontario: Dufferin Islands, Hamilton, July 5, 1940 (NFO).	R3				S5	ASTERACEAE

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Helianthus maximiliani Schrader	Maximilian's Sunflower	IR	Ontario: Niagara Falls, Wm.Scott, July 15, 1897; Roundhouse, Niagara Falls, Wm.Scott, July 31, 1902 (TRT), Heimburger (1955). M.J. Oldham #7841 (BUF, DAO) from Fort Erie railway yard in 1987.					SE3?	ASTERACEAE
Helianthus pauciflorus Nutt.	Stiff Sunflower	ΙΗ	Old records only: Ontario, Niagara Parks System (as <i>H. rigidus</i>), Cameron (1895). Ont.: Niagara Parks System (as <i>H. rigidus</i>), Cameron (1895). = <i>Helianthus rigidus</i> .					S2S3	ASTERACEAE
Helianthus petiolaris Nutt. ssp. petiolaris	Sunflower	IR	Rare weed of open disturbed ground. M.J. Oldham #8769 (DAO, MICH, TRTE) from Port Colborne in 1996.	I				SE1	ASTERACEAE
Helianthus strumosus L.	Pale-leaved Sunflower	RH	Two records mapped (based on specimens examined) along the Niagara River by Cody (1982). No recent reports.	R3	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Helianthus tuberosus L.	Jerusalem Artichoke	IU		I				SE5	ASTERACEAE
Heliopsis helianthoides (L.) Sweet	Ox-eye	RH	Early records from the Niagara River area (Day 1888, Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943; TRT, NFO). Recent records (e.g. NAI database) may be based on escapes from cultivation as this species is frequently planted, sometimes for restoration purposes.	R3	R1			85	ASTERACEAE
Hemerocallis fulva (L.) L.	Orange Day Lily	IC	Locally common along roadsides.	I	I			SE5	HEMEROCALLIDACEAE
Hemerocallis lilioasphodelus L.	Yellow Day-lily	IR	Rare escape or perhaps only persisting after cultivation (NAI database).					SE2	HEMEROCALLIDACEAE
HEPATICA	see		ANEMONE						RANUNCULACEAE
Heracleum lanatum Michaux	Cow-parsnip	R	A.C. Garofalo (HAM). = Heracleum maximum.	C	U			S5	APIACEAE
Hesperis matronalis L.	Dame's Rocket	IC		I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Heteranthera dubia (Jacq.) MacMillan	Water Star-grass	R	An inconspicuous aquatic and possibly overlooked to some extent. = Zosterella dubia.	R2	U			S5	PONTEDERIACEAE

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Hibiscus moscheutos L. ssp. moscheutos	Swamp Rose Mallow	R	Rare and local; wetland edges. Formerly more common, e.g. historical collections from Niagara-on- the-Lake (W. Scott, TRT, in 1910) and Queenston (W. Scott, TRT, in 1899). See COSEWIC (2004b). = Hibiscus palustris.	I	R5	SC	SC	83	MALVACEAE
Hibiscus trionum L.	Flower-of-an-hour	IR	Rare weed. C.J. Rothfels #1869 (HAM) from Smithville in 2005.	I	I			SE4	MALVACEAE
Hieracium aurantiacum L.	Devil's Paintbrush	IU	Uncommon weed of open disturbed areas.	I	С			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Hieracium caespitosum Dum. ssp. caespitosum	King Devil	IC	" very common about the edge of the Glen" (Hamilton 1943). = <i>Hieracium</i> pratense.	I	С			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Hieracium canadense Michaux	Canada Hawkweed	R		R1				SU	ASTERACEAE
Hieracium gronovii L.	Hairy Hawkweed	RH	Niagara Glen in 1896 (NFO, det. M.J. Oldham in 2006; no collector indicated).		VU			S3?	ASTERACEAE
Hieracium murorum L.	Hawkweed	IH	Dickson & Alexander	I				SE1	ASTERACEAE
Hieracium paniculatum L.	Panicled Hawkweed	R	"Occasional in the woods near Queenston" (Hamilton 1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca. 1890] (NFO). Niagara-on-the-Lake, W. Scott (TRT), 1898 (ARVPO database). S. Varga #91-64 (TRT) from Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI in 1991.	R3	R1			S2	ASTERACEAE
Hieracium pilosella L.	Mouse-ear Hawkweed	IR	Wainfleet Bog, Macdonald 1992	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Hieracium piloselloides Villars	Yellow Hawkweed	IU	= Hieracium florentinum.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Hieracium scabrum Michaux	Rough Hawkweed	RH	Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). Ontario: Niagara, Wm. Scott, Aug. 27, 1898; Queenston, Wm. Scott, Sept. 7, 1898, Heimburger (1955). "Occasional in the woods near Queenston," Hamilton (1943). Cedar Island, Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, 1893 (NFO).		U			S4	ASTERACEAE

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Hieracium venosum L.	Rattlesnake Weed	RH	Historically documented (CAN, DAO, TRT) from Queenston, Niagara Glen, Whirlpool, Paradise Grove, and elsewhere along the Niagara River (Argus et al. 1982-1987, ARVPO database). No recent Niagara reports.		R1			S2	ASTERACEAE
Hieracium vulgatum Fries	Common Hawkweed	IR	W.D. Bakowsky #2006-004 from Paradise Grove in 2006. = Hieracium lachenalii.	I				SE2?	ASTERACEAE
Hippuris vulgaris L.	Mare's-tail	R	Observed and photographed by D. Gregory (pers. comm. 2010) at Gibson Lake, Thorold, in 2006 and 2009. This species is otherwise very rare or absent from Ontario's Carolinian Zone and this population may have originated from plants dumped into the lake.					S5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Holcus lanatus L.	Velvet Grass	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #36621 (DAO) from Brown's Point Park, Niagara Parkway, in 2006.		I			SE2	POACEAE
Holosteum umbellatum L.	Jagged-chickweed	IR	Rare, early flowering weed of lawns and other open disturbed areas. M.J. Oldham #32621 (DAO) near Queenston in 2006.	I	I			SE2	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Hordeum jubatum L. ssp. jubatum	Foxtail Barley	IU	Locally common along salted roadsides.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Houstonia canadensis Willd.	Fringed Houstonia	R	Known from several sites on exposed limestone bedrock along the Niagara River. M.J. Oldham #32361 (NHIC) from Niagara Glen in 2006. Scattered throughout southern Ontario, often on alvars. Confused with <i>H. longifolia</i> and sometimes included within it (e.g. Morton & Venn 1990, Riley et al. 1996). Local reports of <i>Houstonia longifolia</i> are probably based on <i>Houstonia canadensis</i> . = <i>Hedyotis canadensis</i> .		R2			S4?	RUBIACEAE
Hudsonia tomentosa Nutt. var. tomentosa	Woolly Beach- heather	RH	An historical Pt. Abino Peninsula record (Macdonald 1990) is the only one from southwestern Ontario.					S3	CISTACEAE

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Humulus lupulus L.	Common Hop	IR	Rare, usually in disturbed sites. It is possible that some regional reports are from native populations. A.C. Garofalo #07-613 (HAM) from Willoughby Marsh in 2007.	I	I			S4	CANNABACEAE
Huperzia lucidula (Michaux) Trevisan	Shining Fir-moss	R	Rare in rich woods. = Lycopodium lucidulum.	C	C			S5	LYCOPODIACEAE
Hybanthus concolor (T. Forster) Sprengel	Green Violet	R	Many reports from the region, primarly along the Niagara Escarpment (e.g. Day 1888, Macoun 1883-1892, Cameron 1895, Zenkert 1934, Heimburger 1955, McIntosh and Catling 1979, Eckel 2001), though most records are old. = Cubelium concolor.	U6	R2			S2	VIOLACEAE
Hydrastis canadensis L.	Goldenseal	RH	No specimens have been found to substantiate the early literature reports: Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " is very rare, only infrequently being found in the [Niagara] Glen" Hamilton (1943). A distinctive species not likely to be misidentified.			THR	THR	S2	RANUNCULACEAE
Hydrocotyle americana L.	Marsh or Water- pennywort	R	Largely restricted to sandy marshes and seepage areas. A.C. Garofalo #08- 1155 (HAM) from Short Hills Wilderness area in 2008.	С	C			S5	ARALIACEAE
Hydrophyllum canadense L.	Canada Waterleaf	U	Locally common, woods along the Niagara Escarpment, rare elsewhere.	С	U			S4	BORAGINACEAE
Hydrophyllum virginianum L.	Virginia Waterleaf	С		С	С			S5	BORAGINACEAE
HYLODESMUM	see		DESMODIUM						FABACEAE
Hylotelephium telephium (L.) H. Ohba	Live-forever	IR	Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " well established at Paradise Grove at Niagara-on-the-Lake, where several large patches may be observed," Hamilton (1943). M.J. Oldham #33864 (NHIC) from Paradise Grove in 2006. = Sedum telephium.	I	I			SE2	CRASSULACEAE

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Hyoscyamus niger L.	Henbane	IH	Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " not often encountered in an uncultivated state, although there is a small stand at Fort Erie," Hamilton (1943). Ontario: "the gap," Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, May 31, 1894 (NFO).					SE1	SOLANACEAE
Hypericum canadense L.	Canada St. John's- wort	RH	Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). "Wet places along the Niagara River above the Falls (Day, Cat. Niag. Fl.) A closely related species, H. majus (Gray) Britton, may be here involved," Zenkert (1934). " reported from the Parks System," Hamilton (1943). Ontario: Cedar Island, Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, 1893 (NFO).		R3			S4?	HYPERICACEAE
Hypericum ellipticum L.	Pale St. John's-wort	RH	Reported by Hamilton (1943) from the Niagara Parks System, and by Eckel (2001) from the Niagara Parkway with a specimen at NFO (not examined). Also reported by Campbell (1982) from Spooky Hollow Sanctuary. This is generally a more northern species in Ontario, though Gillett and Robson (1981) show a dot for the Niagara Peninsula.					S5	HYPERICACEAE
Hypericum kalmianum L.	Kalm's St. John's- wort	RH	Limestone bedrock shorelines along Lake Erie; formerly known from the Niagara River. A.W. Miller #409 (HAM) from Point Abino in 1948. No recent reports.		U			S4	HYPERICACEAE
Hypericum majus (A. Gray) Britton	Large St. John's- wort	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992), and one NAI record.	R3	U			S5	HYPERICACEAE
Hypericum mutilum L. ssp. mutilum	Small St. John's-wort	U		R1	U		_	S4	HYPERICACEAE
Hypericum perforatum L.	Common St. John's- wort	IC		I	I			SE5	HYPERICACEAE
Hypericum punctatum Lam.	Spotted St. John's- wort	C		C	С			S5	HYPERICACEAE

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Hypoxis hirsuta (L.) Coville	Yellow Stargrass	RH	" a rare plant that is occasionally found in dry, sandy soil near the head of the Glen" (Hamilton 1943). No Niagara specimens mapped by Argus et al. (1982-1987), but a very distinctive species.	RH				S3	HYPOXIDACEAE
Hyssopus officinalis L.	Hyssop	ΙΗ	" has long been a favourite for ornamental purposes in the Parks, so that it is not surprising to find a few plants escaped from cultivation" (Hamilton 1943).					SE2	LAMIACEAE
HYSTRIX	see		ELYMUS						POACEAE
Ilex mucronata (L.) M. Powell, V. Savolainen & S. Andrews	Mountain Holly	R	Wainfleet Bog, Macdonald 1992. Willoughby Marsh (A.A. Reznicek, MICH). = Nemopanthus mucronatus.	R4	VU			S5	AQUIFOLIACEAE
Ilex verticillata (L.) A. Gray	Winterberry	С		С	С			S5	AQUIFOLIACEAE
Impatiens capensis Meerb.	Spotted Touch-me-not	C		C	C			S5	BALSAMINACEAE
Impatiens glandulifera Royle	Himalayan Touch- me-not	IH	B. Miller #135 (HAM) from Fort Erie in 1950.	I	I			SE4	BALSAMINACEAE
Impatiens pallida Nutt.	Pale Touch-me-not	U	Locally common on the Niagara Escarpment, rare elsewhere.	С	С			S5	BALSAMINACEAE
Inula helenium L.	Elecampane	IC		I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Ipomoea hederacea (L.) Jacq.	Morning-glory	IH	Ontario: Niagara, Wm. Scott, Aug. 28, 1897 (5864) (TRT), Heimburger (1955).	I				SE1	CONVOLVULACEAE
Ipomoea pandurata (L.) G. Meyer	Wild Potato Vine	RH	Queenston, Wm. Scott (CAN), Aug. 15, 1902 (ARVPO database). Ontario: woods on the grounds of the School of Horticulture, Hamilton (NFO), July 4, 1940.					S1	CONVOLVULACEAE
Ipomoea purpurea (L.) Roth	Common Morning- glory	IH	"Occasionally seen as a garden escape" (Day 1888). Queen Victoria Park (Panton 1890). " frequently observed in considerable abundance on hedges and fences" (Hamilton 1943).	I				SE2	CONVOLVULACEAE
Iris pseudacorus L.	Yellow-flag	IU		I	I			SE3	IRIDACEAE
Iris versicolor L.	Wild Blue-flag	C		С	С			S5	IRIDACEAE

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Iris virginica L.	Southern Blue-flag	DD	Status poorly known due to confusion with <i>Iris versicolor</i> . M.J. Oldham #22219 (MICH, det. A.A. Reznicek) from Marcy's Woods in 1999.	R2	U			S5	IRIDACEAE
ISANTHUS	see		TRICHOSTEMA						LAMIACEAE
Isoetes echinospora Durieu	Spiny-spored Quillwort	RH	"Occurring in the Niagara River above Niagara Falls (Day, Cat. of Niag. Fl.; four specimens in Gen. Herb [BUF], two coll. by Clinton and two by Day, no date). Not collected in recent years" (Zenkert 1934).	1				85	ISOETACEAE
Jeffersonia diphylla (L.) Pers.	Twinleaf	R	J. Jalava #91-097 (TRT) from 15 Mile Creek ANSI in 1991.	U10	VU			S4	BERBERIDACEAE
Juglans ailantifolia Carr.	Japanese Walnut	IR	M.J. Oldham #35080 (NHIC) from Dufferin Islands in 2007; mature tree, possibly planted at site.					SE1	JUGLANDACEAE
Juglans cinerea L.	Butternut	U	Locally common woodland tree, though rapidly declining due to Butternut Canker. See COSEWIC (2003).	C	С	END	END	S3?	JUGLANDACEAE
Juglans nigra L.	Black Walnut	С		C	С			S4	JUGLANDACEAE
Juncus acuminatus Michaux	Tapered Rush	R	Niagara Falls & Morgan Point (ARVPO)	R1	U			S3	JUNCACEAE
Juncus alpinoarticulatus Chaix	Alpine Rush	R	Shores, moist gravel pits, wetland edges. S. Varga #91-76 (TRT) from Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI in 1991.	R2	C			S5	JUNCACEAE
Juncus articulatus L.	Jointed Rush	U	Moist open areas.	C	U			S5	JUNCACEAE
Juncus balticus Willd.	Baltic Rush	U	mostly Lake Erie shoreline sites	R4	U			S5	JUNCACEAE
Juncus brachycephalus (Engelm.) Buchenau	Short-headed Rush	R	Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990).		U			S4S5	JUNCACEAE
Juncus bufonius L.	Toad Rush	U		C	C			S5	JUNCACEAE
Juncus canadensis J. Gay ex La Harpe	Canadian Rush	R	Wainfleet Bog (M. Browning pers. comm. 2010).	R1	U			S5	JUNCACEAE
Juncus compressus Jacq.	Round-fruit Rush	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #32642 (DAO) from Paradise Grove in 2006.	I	I			SE5	JUNCACEAE
Juncus dudleyi Wieg.	Dudley's Rush	С		C	C			S5	JUNCACEAE

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Juncus effusus L.	Soft Rush	С	Juncus pylaei, recognized by some authors, may also occur in Niagara.	С	С			S5?	JUNCACEAE
Juncus gerardii Loisel	Black-grass	IR	Montrose Railway Yard, Niagara Falls, M.J. Oldham #18152 (DAO) in 1995.	I				SE3	JUNCACEAE
Juncus marginatus Rostk. sensu stricto	Grass-leaved Rush	R	V.R. Brownell #4552 (DAO) from near Fenwick in 1981 (ARVPO database).		U			S3	JUNCACEAE
Juncus nodosus L. var. nodosus	Knotted Rush	R	C.J. Rothfels #1468 (HAM) from Navy Island in 2004.	R6	U			S5	JUNCACEAE
Juncus tenuis Willd.	Path Rush	С		С	С			S5	JUNCACEAE
Juncus torreyi Cov.	Torrey's Rush	U	Uncommon; shorelines and wetlands, sometimes in disturbed sites such as roadside ditches. M.J. Oldham #18137 (DAO) from Four Mile Pond in 1995.	С	U			S5	JUNCACEAE
Juniperus communis L. var. depressa Pursh	Common Juniper	R	Dunes, dry meadows. A.C. Garofalo #07-737 (HAM) from Nickel Beach in 2007.	R3	U			S5	CUPRESSACEAE
Juniperus virginiana L. var. virginiana	Red Cedar	С		С	С			S5	CUPRESSACEAE
Justicia americana (L.) Vahl.	American Water- willow	R	Known from a single patch at Dufferin Islands (formerly more widespread along the Niagara River) and along Lyons Creek from the QEW south to the confluence of the Welland River. A.C. Garofalo #07-694 (HAM) from Lyon's Creek in 2007.		R1	THR	THR	S2	ACANTHACEAE
Kalmia angustifolia L. var. angustifolia	Sheep-laurel	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992)					S5	ERICACEAE
Kalmia polifolia Wangenh.	Bog-laurel	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992)	R1				S5	ERICACEAE
Kochia scoparia (L.) Roth ex Schrader	Summer-cypress	IR	A weed of railways and roadsides, particularly in saline areas (e.g. where road salt is applied). M.J. Oldham #33947 (NHIC) from Hwy. 405 at Portage Road in 2006.	I	I			SE5	AMARANTHACEAE
Lactuca biennis (Moench) Fern.	Tall Blue-lettuce	U		U7	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Lactuca canadensis L.	Canada-lettuce	U		С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Lactuca saligna L.	Willow-leaved Lettuce	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #34006 (DAO) from Bill's Bush in 2006.					SE1	ASTERACEAE

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Lactuca serriola L.	Prickly-lettuce	IC	= Lactuca scariola.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Lamium amplexicaule L.	Henbit	IR	M.J. Oldham #34007 (DAO) from Bill's Bush in 2006.	I	I			SE3	LAMIACEAE
Lamium purpureum L.	Purple Dead-nettle	IR	M.J. Oldham #35299 (HAM, MICH) from Port Colborne in 2007.	I	I			SE3	LAMIACEAE
Laportea canadensis (L.) Wedd.	Wood-nettle	C		С	С			S5	URTICACEAE
Lappula squarrosa (Retz.) Dumort. ssp. squarrosa	Burseed	IR	Rare weed.	I				SE5	BORAGINACEAE
Lapsana communis L.	Nipplewort	IC		I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Larix decidua Miller	European Larch	IR	Rare escape from cultivation.	I				SE2	PINACEAE
Larix laricina (Du Roi) K. Koch	Tamarack	R		С	С			S5	PINACEAE
Lathyrus japonicus Willd.	Beach Pea	R	Sandy Lake Erie shores. A.C. Garofalo #07-480 (HAM) from Lake Erie shoreline near Sugarloaf Hill in 2007.		U			S4	FABACEAE
Lathyrus latifolius L.	Everlasting Pea	IR		I	I			SE4	FABACEAE
Lathyrus ochroleucus Hook.	Pale Vetchling	R	S. Varga #91-87 (TRT) from Decew Valley in 1991.		R3			S4	FABACEAE
Lathyrus odoratus L.	Sweet Pea	IH	" has escaped cultivation, and is found growing along the River bank below Queenston," Hamilton (1943).					SE1	FABACEAE
Lathyrus palustris L.	Marsh Pea	R		R1	U			S5	FABACEAE
Lathyrus tuberosus L.	Tuberous Vetchling	IR		I	I			SE3	FABACEAE
LEDUM	see		RHODODENDRON						ERICACEAE
Leersia oryzoides (L.) Swartz	Rice Cut Grass	С		С	С			S5	POACEAE
Leersia virginica Willd.	White Grass	C		С	C			S4	POACEAE
Lemna minor L.	Common Duckweed	C		С	C			S5	ARACEAE
Lemna trisulca L.	Star Duckweed	U		U8	U			S5	ARACEAE
Lens culinaris Medikus	Lentil	IH	A rare casual, not persisiting. Collected by Macoun at Niagara Falls in 1901 (Montgomery 1957).					SE1	FABACEAE
Leontodon autumnalis L. ssp. autumnalis	Fall Hawkbit	IU	Locally common on lawns along the Niagara Parkway.					SE5	ASTERACEAE

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Leonurus cardiaca L. ssp. cardiaca	Motherwort	IC		I	I			SE5	LAMIACEAE
Lepidium campestre (L.) R. Br.	Field Pepper-grass	IC		I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Lepidium densiflorum Schrader	Common Pepper- grass	IR		I	С			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Lepidium draba L.	Hoary Cress	IR	Known from several reports from the Niagara River area, most recently a collection by P.M. Eckel (BUF) from near Niagara Falls in 1988 (Eckel 2001). = Cardaria draba.	1				SE2	BRASSICACEAE
Lepidium ruderale L.	Narrow-leaf Pepper- grass	IR	Disturbed ground. M.J. Oldham #35274 (HAM) from Port Colborne in 2008.	I				SE3	BRASSICACEAE
Lepidium virginicum L.	Poor-man's Pepper- grass	R		R4	U			S5	BRASSICACEAE
Leptochloa fusca (L.) Kunth	Sprangletop	IR	Montrose Railway Yard, Niagara Falls, Catling and Riley (CAN, DAO, TRT) in 1976 (Catling et al. 1977). Montrose Railway Yard, Niagara Falls, M.J. Oldham #18154 (DAO) in 1995. = Diplachne acuminata, Leptochloa acuminata.	I				SE3	POACEAE
LEPTOLOMA	see		DIGITARIA						POACEAE
Lespedeza capitata Michaux	Round-headed Bush- clover	R	Rare in dry open woods and prairies.	C	С			S4	FABACEAE
Lespedeza frutescens (L.) Hornem.	Violet Bush-clover	R	Rare, Niagara River area. M.J. Oldham #33833 (NHIC) from the Whirlpool in 2006. = Lespedeza violacea of regional reports.	1				S1	FABACEAE
Lespedeza hirta (L.) Hornem.	Hairy Bush-clover	R	Rare in sandy woods and prairies. R. Kitchen #08-095 (HAM) from St. Davids Waterworks/Firemans Park in 2008.	U6	U			S4	FABACEAE
Lespedeza violacea (L.) Pers.	Wandlike Bush- clover	R	Rare in open woods. M.J. Oldham #33846 (DAO) from Niagara Parkway in 2006. = Lespedeza intermedia of regional reports.	R1	U			S4	FABACEAE
Lespedeza x nuttallii Darl.	(L. hirta X L. intermedia)	hyb	Single record: M.J. Oldham #33861 (DAO) from Paradise Grove in 2006.		R1			S1	FABACEAE

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Leucanthemum vulgare Lam.	Ox-eye Daisy	IC	A common weed of open disturbed areas. = Chrysanthemum leucanthemum.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Liatris cylindracea Michaux	Cylindric Blazing- star	RH	Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). "Ontario: gorge of River at Niagara Glen (Johnson)" Zenkert (1934). " a few specimens have been found on the rocky margins of the Glen," Hamilton (1943). "south end of Niagara Glen," Aug. 25, 1895 (NFO; det. M.J. Oldham in 2006).		R4			83	ASTERACEAE
Liatris spicata (L.) Willd. var. spicata	Spiked Blazing-star	IR	West side of Fort Erie, south side of QEW highway, M.J. Oldham #23200 (MICH), 26 Sept. 1999. Although native elsewhere in southern Ontario, Niagara records are from highly disturbed habitats and not with typical native prairie associates and are likely adventive.			THR	THR	\$3	ASTERACEAE
Ligustrum vulgare L.	European Privet	IC		I	I			SE5	OLEACEAE
Lilium canadense L.	Canada Lily	RH	Niagara Glen, Field Club, 1888. Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895).					S1?	LILIACEAE
Lilium lancifolium Thunb.	Tiger Lily	IR		I				SE1	LILIACEAE
Lilium michiganense Farw.	Michigan Lily	C		С	C			S5	LILIACEAE
Lilium philadelphicum L.	Wood Lily	R	W. Scott (TRT) from Niagara River Whirlpool in 1898.	R2	R1			S5	LILIACEAE
Limonium gerberi Soldano	Carolina Sea-lavender	IR	Collected in 2007 along the QEW Highway in St. Catherines (M.J. Oldham #34745, MICH, det. A.A. Reznicek). Not reported from Ontario by Morton and Venn (1990).					SE1	PLUMBAGINACEAE
LINARIA	see also		NUTTALLANTHUS						PLANTAGINACEAE
Linaria genistifolia (L.) Miller ssp. dalmatica (L.) Maire & Petitmengin	Dalmatian Toadflax	IR	Rare weed (McIntosh & Catling 1979). = Linaria dalmatica.	I				SE3	PLANTAGINACEAE
Linaria vulgaris Miller	Butter-and-eggs	IC		I	I			SE5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Lindera benzoin (L.) Blume	Spicebush	С	Common only on sandy soils of the Fonthill Kame Delta. Rare elsewhere in the Niagara Peninsula.	С	С			S5	LAURACEAE

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Lindernia dubia (L.) Pennell	False Pimpernel	U		С	U			S4	LINDERNIACEAE
Linnaea borealis L. ssp. longiflora (Torrey) Hulten	Twinflower	R	Observed in 1993 at North Pelham Valley (Varga et al. 1996).	R3	VU			S5	LINNAEACEAE
Linum medium (Planchon) Britton var. medium	Stiff Yellow Flax	RH	Ontario: Niagara Falls, John Macoun, July 6, 1901, Heimburger (1955). Near Clifton; Niagara Falls; J. Macoun (TRT) in 1877 (ARVPO database).					S3	LINACEAE
Linum perenne L.	Blue Flax	IR	B. Larson #91-154 (TRT) from Beamsville Escarpment ANSI in 1991.					SE3	LINACEAE
Linum usitatissimum L.	Common Flax	IR		I				SE3	LINACEAE
Linum virginianum L.	Virginia Flax	R	Early records only (CAN, DAO, TRT): "Canadian Southern Railway, one mile east of the Great Western Crossing near Niagara Falls (Macoun)" (Macoun 1883). Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). ARVPO database.		R3			S2	LINACEAE
Liparis liliifolia (L.) Richard ex Lindley	Lily-leaved Twayblade	RH	Collected in 1864 by David Day (BUF) in "wet woods back of Fort Erie". No subsequent Niagara records.			THR	THR	S2	ORCHIDACEAE
Liparis loeselii (L.) Richard ex Lindley	Loesel's Twayblade	R	A. Chamot (BUF) from Point Abino in 1885 (Macdonald 1990).	С	С			S4S5	ORCHIDACEAE
Liriodendron tulipifera L.	Tulip-tree	С	Locally common in rich woods, usually on sand. Rare on the clay plain.	R3	U			S4	MAGNOLIACEAE
LITHOSPERMUM	see also		BUGLOSSOIDES						BORAGINACEAE
Lithospermum caroliniense (Walter ex J. Gmelin) MacMillan	Puccoon	RH	Early reports and collections (BUF) from Point Abino, and probaly seen by Yaki (1970) who reported <i>L. canescens</i> (unknown from Niagara). Not seen by Macdonald (1990).	RH	U			S4	BORAGINACEAE
Lithospermum officinale L.	European Gromwell	IR		I	I			SE5	BORAGINACEAE
Lobelia cardinalis L.	Cardinal Flower	R	Rare, stream and wetland edges. R. Kitchen #08-88 (HAM) from Niagara Falls Municipality in 2008.	С	U			S5	CAMPANULACEAE
Lobelia inflata L.	Indian-tobacco	C		C	C			S5	CAMPANULACEAE

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Lobelia kalmii L.	Kalm's Lobelia	R	Known from two sites along the Lake Erie shoreline (e.g. Point Abino, HAM, TRTE; Macdonald 1990). Also very locally along the Niagara River, e.g. seepy cliff face near Sir Adam Beck Generating Station (TRTE) where seen as recently as 2009 (D. Gregory pers. comm. 2010).	R2	U			85	CAMPANULACEAE
Lobelia siphilitica L.	Great Lobelia	R	S. Varga #456-93 (TRT) from St. David's Burried Gorge ANSI in 1993.	C	C			S5	CAMPANULACEAE
Lobelia spicata Lam.	Pale-spiked Lobelia	RH	" found in sandy soil in the Park meadows" Hamilton (1943). Ont.: "Maid-of-the-Mist, Niagara Falls," sight record, Yaki (1970). Niagara Gorge ANSI (includes Glen and Whirlpool) (Riley et al. 1996).	U6	U			S4	CAMPANULACEAE
Lobularia maritima (L.) Desv.	Sweet Alyssum	IR	Fort Erie (Zenkert 1934). Mapped from Niagara by Sabourin (1991).	I				SE2	BRASSICACEAE
LOLIUM	see also		SCHEDONORUS						POACEAE
Lolium perenne L.	Perennial Rye Grass	IU		I	I			SE4	POACEAE
Lolium temulentum L.	Darnel Ryegrass	IH	Old reports only: Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " known to occur in the Parks," Hamilton (1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca.1890] (NFO).	1				SEH	POACEAE
Lonicera canadensis Bartram	Fly Honeysuckle	C		С	С			S5	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Lonicera dioica L.	Wild Honeysuckle	С		С	С			S5	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Lonicera hirsuta Eaton	Hairy Honeysuckle	R	S. Varga #270-93 (TRT) from Mountainview-Valentino Escarpment Terrace ANSI in 1993.	U6				S5	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Lonicera japonica Thunb.	Japanese Honeysuckle	IR	"Escarpment - Queenston Heights," sight record, Yaki (1970). Frenchman's Creek, near Fort Erie, M.J. Oldham #23289 (MICH) in 2000.					SE2	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Lonicera maackii (Rupr.) Maxim.	Amur Honeysuckle	IR	M.J. Oldham #32608 (MICH) from Niagara Glen in 2006	I				SE2	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Lonicera morrowii A. Gray	Morrow's Honeysuckle	IU	M.J. Oldham #32578 (MICH) from the Niagara River Whirlpool in 2006	I	I			SE3	CAPRIFOLIACEAE

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Lonicera ruprechtiana Reg.	Manchurian Honeysuckle	IR	C.A. Schaefer #91-58 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991. Not otherwise reported from Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990).					SE1	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Lonicera sempervirens L.	Trumpet Honeysuckle	IH	W.J. Potter (TRT) from Niagara Falls in 1906.					SE1	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Lonicera tatarica L.	Tartarian Honeysuckle	IC		I	I			SE5	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Lonicera x bella Zabel	(L. morrowii X L. tatarica)	hyb	Locally common in disturbed woods.	I	I			SE2	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Lonicera xylosteum L.	European Fly- honeysuckle	IR	M.J. Oldham #32683 (DAO) from Paradise Grove in 2006	I	I			SE2	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Lotus corniculatus L.	Birdfoot Trefoil	IC		I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Ludwigia palustris (L.) Elliott	Water-purslane	С		С	С			S5	ONAGRACEAE
Ludwigia polycarpa Short & Peter	Many-fruited False- loosestrife	R	Known only from Wainfleet Bog, where documented from the area since at least the 1930s (J. Simon, TRT, from Port Colborne in 1937). Collected by I.D. Macdonald (TRTE, TRT, BUF) as recently as 1989 (Macdonald 1992).		R1			S2	ONAGRACEAE
Lunaria annua L.	Honesty	IR	Early reports and collections (CAN, TRT) from the Niagara River (Panton 1890, Cameron 1895, Heimburger 1955). S. Blaney #50-93 (TRT) from Homer Escarpment ANSI in 1993.	I				SE2	BRASSICACEAE
Lupinus perennis L. ssp. perennis	Wild Lupine	RH	Formerly known from along the Niagara River (Queenston Heights, J. Macoun, June 16, 1884, Heimburger (1955). "Queenston Heights, Ontario," Day (1888). Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). Parks, Ontario, Hamilton 1943), though no verified reports since the late 1800s. Collected as recently as 1971 near St. Catherines (ARVPO database).		R5			83	FABACEAE
Luzula acuminata Raf.	Pointed Wood-rush	U		С	С			S5	JUNCACEAE

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Luzula campestris (L.) DC.	Common Wood-rush	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #32342 from Niagara Parkway in 2006.					SE1	JUNCACEAE
Luzula multiflora (Retz.) Lej. ssp. multiflora	Common Wood-rush	U	M.J. Oldham #32425 (DAO, MICH) from Paradise Grove in 2006	С	U			S5	JUNCACEAE
LYCHNIS	see		SILENE						CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Lycium barbarum L.	Matrimony Vine	IR	Ontario, Queen Victoria Park (as <i>L. vulgare</i>), Panton (1890). Queenston, Wm. Scott, May 24, 1898 (TRT), Heimburger (1955). McIntosh & Catling (1979), Riley et al. (1996). = <i>Lycium halimifolium</i> .	I				SE2	SOLANACEAE
LYCOPERSICON	see		SOLANUM						SOLANACEAE
LYCOPODIUM	see also		DIPHASIASTRUM, HUPERZIA						LYCOPODIACEAE
Lycopodium clavatum L.	Common Club-moss	R	Wainfleet Bog, Macdonald 1992	R4	U			S5	LYCOPODIACEAE
Lycopodium dendroideum Michaux	Prickly Tree Club- moss	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992). = Dendrolycopodium dendroideum, Lycopodium obscurum var. dendroideum.	R4	U			S5	LYCOPODIACEAE
Lycopodium hickeyi W.H. Wagner, Beitel & Moran	Hickey's Tree Club- moss	R	M.J. Oldham #35219 (MICH) from Wainfleet Bog in 2008. = Dendrolycopodium hickeyi, Lycopodium obscurum var. hickeyi.					S4	LYCOPODIACEAE
Lycopodium obscurum L.	Flat-branched Tree Club-moss	U	Local in woods. = Dendrolycopodium obscurum.	U9	С			S4	LYCOPODIACEAE
LYCOPSIS	see		ANCHUSA						BORAGINACEAE
Lycopus americanus Muhlenb. ex Bartram	American Water- horehound	С		С	С			S5	LAMIACEAE
Lycopus europaeus L.	European Water- horehound	IU		I	I			SE5	LAMIACEAE
Lycopus rubellus Moench	Taper-leaf Water- horehound	R	M.J. Oldham #34899 (MICH, WAT) from Perry Road Woodlot in 2007.		U			S2S3	LAMIACEAE
Lycopus uniflorus Michaux	Bugleweed	С		C	С			S5	LAMIACEAE
Lycopus virginicus L.	Virginia Water- horehound	R	Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " found in the Parks," Hamilton (1943). M.J. Oldham #33936 (DAO) from Niagara Glen in 2006.	R1				S2	LAMIACEAE
Lysimachia ciliata L.	Fringed Loosestrife	С		С	С			S5	MYRSINACEAE

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Lysimachia nummularia L.	Moneywort	IC		I	I			SE5	MYRSINACEAE
Lysimachia punctata L.	Spotted Loosestrife	IH	A rare garden escape. " very abundant on the gravelly bank at the head of the Whirlpool," Hamilton (1943).		I			SE3	MYRSINACEAE
Lysimachia quadriflora Sims	Prairie Loosestrife	R	3 recent sites, all on Lake Erie shoreline (M.J. Oldham #18181 (TRT) in 1995), formerly along the Niagara River.		R2			S4	MYRSINACEAE
Lysimachia quadrifolia L.	Whorled Loosestrife	R	Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990).	R3	U			S4	MYRSINACEAE
Lysimachia terrestris (L.) Britton, Sterns & Poggenb.	Swamp Candles	R	(as L. stricta), "wet grounds near Clifton, Ontario," Day (1888). Ontario, Queen Victoria Park (as L. stricta Ait.), Panton (1890). Ontario, Niagara Parks System (as L. stricta), Cameron (1895). " grows near Government Docks," Hamilton (1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, 1890 (NFO); Niagara-on-the-Lake, Williams, July 25, 1963 (NFO). Recent records from Lower Twelve Mile Creek (Gregory 2003) and Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992).	U6	U			85	MYRSINACEAE
Lysimachia thyrsiflora L.	Tufted Loosestrife	U	,	С	U			S5	MYRSINACEAE
Lythrum hyssopifolium L.	Hyssop Loosestrife	IR	Collected in 2007 from a disturbed quarry bottom at Wainfleet Wetlands (M.J. Oldham #34902, DAO). A very rare introduction in Ontario (Blaney et al. 1997).					SE1	LYTHRACEAE
Lythrum salicaria L.	Purple Loosestrife	IC	An aggressive European weed of wetlands.	I	I			SE5	LYTHRACEAE
Maclura pomifera (Raf.) C. Schneider	Osage-orange	IR	" not very common in the Parks, although there are several good specimens between Queenston and Niagara-on-the-Lake" (Hamilton 1943). Niagara-on-the-Lake, Helder, Sept. 1970 (NFO); Niagara-on-the-Lake, Wright, June 14, 1975 (NFO).	I	I			SE2	MORACEAE

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Magnolia acuminata (L.) L.	Cucumber-tree	R	An endangered Carolinian tree species reported historically from the vicinity of Niagara Falls (Day 1888, Hamilton 1943) and currently known from a few sites in Pelham Township.		R5	END	END	S2	MAGNOLIACEAE
MAHONIA	see		BERBERIS						BERBERIDACEAE
Maianthemum canadense Desf.	Wild Lily-of-the- valley	С	Both var. <i>canadense</i> and var. <i>interius</i> reported from the Point Abino Peninsula by Macdonald (1990).	С	С			S5	CONVALLARIACEAE
Maianthemum racemosum (L.) Link ssp. racemosum	False Solomon's-seal	С	Common. = Smilacina racemosa.	С	С			S5	CONVALLARIACEAE
Maianthemum stellatum (L.) Link	Starry False Solomon's-seal	U	Only rarely found on edges of wetlands and frequent on forested dunes. = Smilacina stellata.	С	С			S5	CONVALLARIACEAE
Maianthemum trifolium (L.) Sloboda	Three-leaved False Solomon's-seal	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992), where seen recently by Mark Browning (pers. comm.). = Smilacina trifolia.	U6	U			S5	CONVALLARIACEAE
Malaxis monophyllos (L.) Sw. var. brachypoda (A. Gray) F. Morris & E.A. Eames	White Adder's- mouth	RH	Historical record from Dufferin Island (R. Cameron, CAN, in 1894; Heimburger 1955). = Malaxis brachypoda.	U6	R3			S4	ORCHIDACEAE
Malcomia maritima (L.) R. Br.	Virginia Stock	IH	Collected by R. Cameron (NFO) at Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park in the late 1800s. No recent reports.					SEH	BRASSICACEAE
Malus baccata (L.) Borkh.	Siberian Crabapple	IR	Reported by Gregory (TRTE; 2005a) from Welland River, City of Niagara Falls.					SE1	ROSACEAE
Malus coronaria (L.) Miller	Wild Crab	U		С	С			S4	ROSACEAE
Malus pumila Miller	Apple	IC	A fairly common escape from cultivation. = <i>Pyrus communis</i> , <i>P. malus</i> .	I	I			SE5	ROSACEAE
Malus sieboldii (Regel.) Rehd.	Toringo Crabapple	IR	M.J. Oldham #34867 (DAO) from Fort Erie Railway Yard in 2007.					SE1	ROSACEAE
Malva moschata L.	Musk Mallow	IR	A. Garofalo #08-883 (HAM) from the Welland River in 2008.	I	I			SE5	MALVACEAE
Malva neglecta Wallr.	Common Mallow	IU		I	I			SE5	MALVACEAE

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Malva sylvestris L.	High Mallow	IH	Heimburger (1955) reported a specimen "Fort Erie, M. Wilkes, Aug. 7, 1899."					SE1	MALVACEAE
Malva verticillata L.	Large-whorl Mallow	IH	Day 1886. = Malva crispa					SE1	MALVACEAE
Marrubium vulgare L.	Common Horehound	IH	Several historical reports: Queenston, Wm. Scott, Sept. 25, 1909 (Heimburger 1955). Niagara Park System (Cameron 1895). " not common in the Parks System, but a small patch occurs near the School for Gardeners" (Hamilton 1943). "[Niagara] Glen," sight record, Yaki (1970).					SE2	LAMIACEAE
MATRICARIA	see also		TRIPLEUROSPERMUM						ASTERACEAE
Matricaria discoidea DC.	Pineapple Weed	IR	Rare weed. $=$ <i>Matricaria matricarioides</i> .	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Matteuccia struthiopteris (L.) Todaro	Ostrich Fern	С	Generally common in rich, often floodplain, woods. This is the species commonly harvested for fiddleheads.	С	С			S5	ONOCLEACEAE
Medeola virginiana L.	Indian Cucumber-root	С	Uncommon in rich woodlands.	C	C			S5	CONVALLARIACEAE
Medicago lupulina L.	Black Medick	IC		I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Medicago sativa L. ssp. sativa	Alfalfa	IC		I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Melampyrum lineare Desr.	Cow-wheat	U		R4	С			S4S5	OROBANCHACEAE
Melilotus alba Medikus	White Sweet-clover	IC		I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Melilotus altissima Thuill.	Tall Sweet-clover	IH	Zenkert & Zander 1975					SE1	FABACEAE
Melilotus officinalis (L.) Pallas	Yellow Sweet-clover	IC		I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Melissa officinalis L. ssp. officinalis	Common Balm	IR	Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). Queenston, Wm. Scott, Aug. 20, 1898; June 28, 1896; Queenston, J. White, Aug. 1, 1911; Niagara Falls, T. J. W. Burgess, Aug. 23, 1879 (TRT), Heimburger (1955). M.J. Oldham #33853 (DAO) from Lakeshore Park near Four-mile Creek in 2006.	I				SE1	LAMIACEAE
Menispermum canadense L.	Moonseed	U	Most common on the Niagara Escarpment.	С	U			S4	MENISPERMACEAE
Mentha arvensis L.	Field Mint	C	Common in wetlands.	C	C			S5	LAMIACEAE
Mentha spicata L.	Spearmint	IR	"below fall's view," Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, 1890 (NFO).	I				SE4	LAMIACEAE

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Mentha x gracilis Sole	(M. arvensis X M. spicata)	hyb	Navy Island, P.M. Eckel (BUF) in 1998 (Eckel 2001). M.J. Oldham #34066 (DAO, MICH) from weedy roadside near Wainfleet Bog in 2007.					SE1	LAMIACEAE
Mentha x piperita L.	(M. aquatica X M. spicata)	hyb	R. Kitchen #08-098 (HAM) from St. Davids Waterworks/Firemans Park in 2008.	I	I			SE4	LAMIACEAE
Menyanthes trifoliata L.	Bogbean	R	Wainfleet Bog, Macdonald 1992	R2	R3			S5	MENYANTHACEAE
Mertensia virginica (L.) Pers. ex Link	Virginia Bluebells	R	Rare; floodplains. Some records may represent escape from cultivation. B. Larson #91-163 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991.	R1	R4			S3	BORAGINACEAE
Micranthes pensylvanica (L.) Haworth	Swamp Saxifrage	RH	Back from Long Beach, Wainfleet township (Zenkert 1934); only southern Ontario record. = Saxifraga pensylvanica.					S1	SAXIFRAGACEAE
Micranthes virginiensis (Michaux) Small	Early Saxifrage	U	Uncommon, rocky areas, sandy woods. = Saxifraga virginiensis.	C	VU			S5	SAXIFRAGACEAE
Milium effusum L.	Wood Millet	R	S. Varga (TRT) from Fonthill Sandhill Valleys ANSI	R4	С			S4S5	POACEAE
Mimulus alatus Aiton	Sharp-winged Monkey-flower	R	Rare along creeks. C.J. Rothfels #261 (HAM) from Fort Erie in 2002.		R1			S2	PHYRMACEAE
Mimulus ringens L.	Square-stemmed Monkey-flower	С		С	С			S5	PHYRMACEAE
Mirabilis nyctaginea (Michaux) MacMillan	Wild Four-o'clock	IR	Rare weed, mainly along railways and roadsides. M.J. Oldham #35283 (HAM) from Brookfield Road at CNR railway tracks	I	I			S4	NYCTAGINACEAE
Miscanthus sinensis Andersson	Plume Grass	IR	A. Garofalo (HAM).					SE1	POACEAE
Mitchella repens L.	Partridge-berry	С		С	С			S5	RUBIACEAE
Mitella diphylla L.	Bishop's-cap	U		С	С			S5	SAXIFRAGACEAE
Mitella nuda L.	Naked Mitrewort	R	Wainfleet Bog, Macdonald 1992	R4	U			S5	SAXIFRAGACEAE
Moehringia lateriflora (L.) Fenzl	Grove Sandwort	С	Common. = Arenaria lateriflora.	U6	U			S5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Mollugo verticillata L.	Carpetweed	IR	M.J. Oldham #32927 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2006.		U			SE5	MOLLUGINACEAE

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Monarda didyma L.	Oswego Tea	RH	Early records only: Ontario: Niagara Falls, Mr. Cameron (TRT), July 14, 1904; Niagara Falls, Wm. Scott, Aug. 26, 1903; Queenston, Wm. Scott, Aug. 14, 1897 (TRT), Heimburger (1955). " is to be found in a few wet places in the Glen and at Dufferin Islands" (Hamilton 1943).	R1	R1			83	LAMIACEAE
Monarda fistulosa L.	Wild Bergamot	C		C	C			S5	LAMIACEAE
Monotropa hypopitys L.	Pinesap	R	Reported from three Niagara Escarpment sites by Riley et al. (1996) and several NAI collections.	U9	U			S4	MONOTROPACEAE
Monotropa uniflora L.	Indian Pipe	C		C	C			S5	ERICACEAE
Morus alba L.	White Mulberry	IC		I	I			SE5	MORACEAE
Morus rubra L.	Red Mulberry	R	Rare and local, in rich woods. Historically known from "rich woods throughout the forest bordering on Lake Erie. Not uncommon from Niagara town along the river to the Whirlpool (Macoun). One young tree noticed near the water's edge below Niagara Falls (David F. Day)" (Macoun 1886). Known currently from Niagara Glen, Balls Falls, and a few other sites. Sometimes confused with the introduced White Mulberry (Morus alba), which can also have red fruits.	R4		END	END	S2	MORACEAE
Muhlenbergia asperifolia (Nees & Meyen ex Trin.) Parodi	Scratch Grass	IR	in 1976 on open alkaline soil in a railway yard near Niagara Falls (Catling et al. 1978), Dore & McNeill (1980). Fort Erie, railway tracks, M.J. Oldham #7851 (BUF, DAO) in 1987	I				SE3	POACEAE
Muhlenbergia frondosa (Poiret) Fern.	Wire-stemmed Muhly	С		U6	С			S4	POACEAE
Muhlenbergia glomerata (Willd.) Trin.	Marsh Wild-timothy	RH	Reported from North Pelham Valley by Campbell (1982), based on a 1979 survey.	R1	R4			S5	POACEAE

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Muhlenbergia mexicana (L.) Trin.	Satin Grass	С	Var. mexicana is common throughout southern Ontario, often in disturbed sites, while the awned var. filiformis is less common (Dore & McNeill 1980). These varieties are not recognized by FNA.	С	С			S5	POACEAE
Muhlenbergia schreberi J.F. Gmelin	Nimble Will	U		R3	С			S4	POACEAE
Muhlenbergia tenuiflora (Willd.) Britton, Sterns & Poggenb.	Slender Satin Grass	R	Two nearby colonies (Niagara Glen and Whirlpool; M.J. Oldham #33937 (DAO) in 2006).	R2	R1			S2	POACEAE
Muscari botryoides (L.) P. Mill.	Common Grape- hyacinth	IR	NAI database, A.C. Garofalo (HAM)	I	I			SE3	HYACINTHACEAE
Myosotis arvensis (L.) Hill	Field Scorpion Grass	IH	Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). Ontario: Niagara, W. J. Potter, 1908 (TRT), Heimburger (1955). " near the edge of the Glen, below the Restaurant[this plant] is to be found in early May" (Hamilton 1943).	I				SE4	BORAGINACEAE
Myosotis laxa Lehm.	Smaller Forget-me- not	С		С	С			S5	BORAGINACEAE
Myosotis scorpioides L.	True Forget-me-not	IU		I	I			SE5	BORAGINACEAE
Myosotis stricta Link	Forget-me-not	IU	M.J. Oldham #32418 (MICH) from Niagara Parkway in 2006. See Eckel (2000).	I	I			SE4	BORAGINACEAE
Myosotis sylvatica Hoffm.	Forget-me-not	IR	Reported from Fonthill Sandhills Valley, Niagara Escarpment, by Riley et al. (1996). S. Blaney #1312-93 (TRT) from Fonthill Sandhill Valleys ANSI in 1993.	I	I			SE4	BORAGINACEAE
Myosotis verna Nutt.	Early Forget-me-not	R	"Niagara Gorge," both sides, Field Club, 1894. Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). Queenston Heights, John Macoun, May 18, 1901; W. J. Potter, 1908 (TRT); Niagara, Wm. Scott, July 3, 1897, Heimburger (1955). (as <i>M. virginica</i>), " at the edge of the old track-way blooms in early June," Hamilton (1943).	R1				S4?	BORAGINACEAE
Myosoton aquaticum (L.) Moench	Giant Chickweed	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #8783 (DAO, WAT) from Wainfleet Bog in 1988.					SE3	CARYOPHYLLACEAE

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Myriophyllum heterophyllum Michaux	Water-milfoil	RH	Old records only: "In pools, near Niagara River, above Clifton, Ont. July (1882)," Day (1883). Ontario: "Lakes and rivers, apparently rare Niagara Falls. (Maclagan.)" Macoun (1883). "Pools near Clifton, Ontario," Day (1888). Ontario, Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). "in pools along the upper River and at Dufferin Islands" (Hamilton 1943).	1	R1			S4?	HALORAGACEAE
Myriophyllum sibiricum Komarov	Northern Water- milfoil	RH	Old records only: "Niagara River above the Falls in shallow and quiet places," Day (1888). Ontario, Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). Ontario: Dufferin Island, 12" water, Miller (586), Aug. 25, 1948, Heimburger (1955). = Myriophyllum exalbescens, M. spicatum var. exalbescens.	R3				S5	HALORAGACEAE
Myriophyllum spicatum L.	European Water- milfoil	IR	Probably overlooked. C.J. Rothfels (HAM)	I	I			SE5	HALORAGACEAE
Najas flexilis (Willd.) Rostkov & W. Schmid	Bushy Naiad	R	Two recent sites (Wainfleet Wetlands & Navy Island).	R4	C			S5	HYDROCHARITACEAE
Najas minor All.	Brittle Naiad	IR	New to Niagara in 2007 (M.J. Oldham #34907, TRT, MICH, from Wainfleet Wetlands).	I				SE2	HYDROCHARITACEAE
Narcissus poeticus L.	Poet's Narcissus	IR	M.J. Oldham photo in 2007 (Paradise Grove)					SE1	AMARYLLIDACEAE
Narcissus pseudonarcissus L.	Daffodil	IR	Occasionally persisting after cultivation, even in woodland situations, but usually not spreading.					SE2	AMARYLLIDACEAE
Nasturtium microphyllum (Boenn.) Reichb.	Water Cress	IU	Most local reports of <i>N. officinale</i> probably belong here.	Ι	?			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Nelumbo lutea Willd.	American Lotus	RH	Reported from near the mouth of the Welland Canada (Macoun 1882-1893); no supporting specimen located by Argus et al. (1982-1987).	1	R2			S2	NELUMBONACEAE
NEMOPANTHUS	see		ILEX						AQUIFOLIACEAE

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NEOBECKIA	see		RORIPPA						BRASSICACEAE
Nepeta cataria L.	Catnip	IC	Common weed.	I	I			SE5	LAMIACEAE
Nicandra physalodes L.	Apple-of-Peru	IH	Old reports only: Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). (Ontario, Parks) Hamilton (1943).	I				SE1	SOLANACEAE
Nicotiana rustica L.	Wild Tobacco	IH	Old report only: Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895).					SE1	SOLANACEAE
Nuphar advena (Aiton) Aiton f.	Yellow Pond-lily	R	Rare. F. Marie-Victorin (DAO) from Welland River in 1932. = Nuphar lutea ssp. advena.	R2	U			S3	NYMPHAEACEAE
Nuphar microphylla (Pers.) Fern.	Small Pond-lily	RH	Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls); specimen from Chippewa (Scott in 1896, DAO) cited in Padgett (2007). = Nuphar lutea ssp. pumila, N. pumila.					S3	NYMPHAEACEAE
Nuphar variegata Durand in Clinton	Bullhead Lily	U	= Nuphar luteum.	С	U			S5	NYMPHAEACEAE
Nuttallanthus canadensis (L.) D. Sutton	Oldfield Toadflax	R	Known in the region only from Wainfleet Bog where it occurs in disturbed formerly peat mined areas. M.J. Oldham #23173 (MICH) from Wainfleet Bog in 1999. = Linaria canadensis.		-			S1	PLANTAGINACEAE
Nymphaea odorata Aiton	Fragrant Water-lily	U	Both ssp. <i>odorata</i> and ssp. <i>tuberosa</i> (= <i>N. tuberosa</i>) have been reported from Niagara and can be difficult to distinguish. = <i>Nymphaea tuberosa</i> .	R3	U			S5	NYMPHAEACEAE
Nyssa sylvatica Marshall	Black-gum	U	Uncommon and local in sandy woods, often around the edges of woodland sloughs.	R2	C			S3	NYSSACEAE
Oenothera biennis L.	Hairy Yellow Evening-primrose	С	The local status of this species is difficult to assess, since few members of this group have been reliably identified to species.	С	VU			S5	ONAGRACEAE

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Oenothera fruticosa L. ssp. glauca (Michaux) Straley	Sundrops	RH	The only native Ontario record mapped by Argus et al. (1982-1987) is a 1903 collection (DAO) from Fort Erie. Another report requires further checking: Niagara, W. J. Potter, 1908 (TRT), Heimburger (1955). Sometimes cultivated, so some records could be based on garden escapes.					SX	ONAGRACEAE
Oenothera gaura W.L. Wagner & Hoch	Biennial Gaura	R	Rare, often in disturbed sites. Most records are from along the Lake Erie shoreline on exposed bedrock outdrops. M.J. Oldham #18170 (MICH) from near Fort Erie in 1995. = Gaura biennis.					S2	ONAGRACEAE
Oenothera oakesiana (A. Gray) Robbins ex S. Wats. & Coult.	Oakes' Evening- primrose	RH	Historic specimen record (TRT) from Niagara Falls (Riley et al. 1996).					S4?	ONAGRACEAE
Oenothera parviflora L.	Small-flowered Evening-primrose	DD	Probably fairly common, but easily confused with similar species, and few specimens have been reliably identified.	С	С			S5?	ONAGRACEAE
Oenothera perennis L.	Sundrops	U	Uncommon in meadows and other open areas, sometimes in disturbed situations.	С	U			S4S5	ONAGRACEAE
Oenothera pilosella Raf. ssp. pilosella	Pilose Evening- primrose	R	A.C. Garofalo #07-928 (HAM) from City of Niagara Falls in 2007; perhaps a garden escape.					S2	ONAGRACEAE
Onobrychis viciifolia Scop.	Sainfoin	IH	Rare garden escape. Queen Victoria Park, [Niagara Falls] (as <i>O. satica</i>), Panton (1890). Pt. Abino Peninsula, Macdonald 1990					SE1	FABACEAE
Onoclea sensibilis L.	Sensitive Fern	С		C	C			S5	ONOCLEACEAE
Onopordum acanthium L.	Scotch Thistle	IH	Queenston Heights, Wm. Scott, July 13, 1894, Heimburger (1955). "Frequent throughout the Parks" Hamilton (1943). Hydro Property near School of Horticulture, Rollson, Sept. 15, 1963 (NFO).	I	I			SE4	ASTERACEAE

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Ophioglossum pusillum Raf.	Northern Adder's- tongue	R	Queen Victoria Park [Niagara Falls], Cameron, 1893 (NFO). Collected at Point Abino in 1888 (BUF) and 1890 (BUF), though not seen there more recently (Yaki 1970, Macdonald 1990). Wainfleet Bog in 1981 (A.A. Reznicek pers. comm. 2010). = Ophioglossum vulgatum.	-	U			8485	OPHIOGLOSSACEAE
ORCHIS	see		GALEARIS						ORCHIDACEAE
Origanum vulgare L.	Wild Marjoram	IR	M.J. Oldham #32918 (DAO) from Niagara Parkway in 2006.	I				SE5	LAMIACEAE
Ornithogalum nutans L.	Nodding Star-of- Bethlehem	IH	Collected by J.H. Soper in 1950 in low wet woods in Stamford Township (Montgomery 1956).					SE1	HYACINTHACEAE
Ornithogalum umbellatum L.	Star-of-Bethlehem	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. S. Varga #1313-93 (TRT) from Fonthill Sandhill Valleys ANSI in 1993.	I	I			SE3	HYACINTHACEAE
Orobanche uniflora L.	One-flowered Cancer-root	R	Niagara Glen 2006 sight record (Oldham 2007).	R2	R1			S4	OROBANCHACEAE
Orthilia secunda (L.) House	One-sided Pyrola	RH	Historical records only, e.g. Niagara River Whirlpool, W. Scott, TRT, in 1898. = Pyrola secunda.	R1	U			S5	ERICACEAE
ORYZOPSIS	see also		PIPTATHERUM						POACEAE
Oryzopsis asperifolia Michaux	Rough-leaved Mountain-rice	U	Woods. Common northward, locally rare in the south.	С	С			S5	POACEAE
Osmorhiza claytonii (Michaux) C.B. Clarke	Sweet-cicely	С		С	С			S5	APIACEAE
Osmorhiza longistylis (Torrey) DC.	Long-styled Sweet- cicely	С		U8	С			S5	APIACEAE
Osmunda cinnamomea L.	Cinnamon Fern	С		С	С			S5	OSMUNDACEAE
Osmunda claytoniana L.	Interrupted Fern	U	Very uncommon fern. Only known from the Fonhill area in Red Maple - Hemlock mixed woods and some Niagara Escarpment sites.	С	С			S5	OSMUNDACEAE
Osmunda regalis L. var. spectabilis (Willd.) Gray	American Royal Fern	С		С	С			S5	OSMUNDACEAE
Ostrya virginiana (Miller) K. Koch	Hop-hornbeam	С		С	С			S5	BETULACEAE

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Oxalis dillenii Jacq.	Dillen's Wood-sorrel	U	Nomenclature is confused relative to <i>Oxalis stricta</i> . Perhaps not native to Ontario. = <i>Oxalis stricta</i> of some regional reports (e.g. Riley et al. 1996).	С	U			S5?	OXALIDACEAE
Oxalis stricta L.	European Wood- sorrel	С	A common weed of open, disturbed areas. = Oxalis fontana of some regional reports (e.g. Riley et al. 1996).	С	U			S5	OXALIDACEAE
Packera aurea (L.) A. Löve & D. Löve	Golden Ragwort	R	Early records from the Niagara River area. More recently reported from North Pelham Valley (Spooky Hollow Sanctuary) by Campbell (1982) and from St. John's Valley (Riley et al. 1996). P.W. Ball #83204 (TRTE) from 20-mile Creek at Jordan in 1983. = Senecio aureus.	U8	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Packera paupercula (Michx.) A. Löve & D. Löve	Balsam Ragwort	RH	Early reports from the Niagara River area: Niagara Parks System (as Senecio aureus var. balsamitae), Cameron (1895). " near the Glen," Hamilton (1943). Whirlpool, W. J. Potter (TRT) in 1908, (Heimburger 1955, Varga and Kor 1993). No recent regional records. = Senecio pauperculus.					S5	ASTERACEAE
Panax quinquefolius L.	American Ginseng	R	Rare in rich upland woods. Harvested in some areas for its root, and has declined markedly due to this and habitat loss. See COSEWIC (2000a).	R2	U	END	END	S3	ARALIACEAE
Panax trifolius L.	Dwarf Ginseng	R	Known mainly from early reports (e.g. Panton 1890, Cameron 1895; J. Macoun (CAN) from the Whirlpool in 1901). Reported "growing in the Glen" by Hamilton (1943), though not seen there subsequently (Varga and Kor 1993, Oldham 2007). Photographed by A.C. Garofalo (pers. comm. 2010) in a slough forest in West Lincoln at Grassie Tupelo Swamp near the Grimsby-Hamilton border.	R2	U			S4	ARALIACEAE
PANICUM	see also		DICHANTHELIUM						POACEAE

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Panicum capillare L.	Witch Grass	С	A common grass of disturbed open ground, and a major weed of agricultural land.	С	С			S5	POACEAE
Panicum depauperatum Muhlenb.	Impoverished Panic Grass	RH	A record (of var. <i>involutum</i>) is mapped from the Niagara River by Dore and McNeill (1980).		C			S4	POACEAE
Panicum dichotomiflorum Michaux	Fall Panic Grass	IU	A weed of agricultural fields, roadsides, railways, and other disturbed, open ground.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Panicum flexile (Gattinger) Scribner	Wiry Witch Grass	R	Local in moist calcareous meadows, shorelines, and quarry bottoms. Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990). M.J. Oldham #23184 (DAO) from Wainfleet Wetlands Conservation Area in 1999.		U			S4	POACEAE
Panicum gattingeri Nash	Gattinger's Witch Grass	R	Apparently native on floodplains, but quite weedy and found on roadsides, field edges, and other disturbed sites (Oldham et al. 1995). A single regional record: Fort Erie, M.J. Oldham #23201 (DAO, MICH) in 1999.		R1			S4	POACEAE
Panicum linearifolium Scribner	Narrow-leaved Panic Grass	R	Mapped from two sites in Niagara (var. linearifolium) by Dore and McNeill (1980). S. Varga #91-75 (TRT) from Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI in 1991.	R5	C			S4S5	POACEAE
Panicum miliaceum L.	Proso Millet	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #32925 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2006.	I	I			SE4	POACEAE
Panicum tuckermanii Fern.	Tuckerman's Witch Grass	R	Moist shorelines. Similar to <i>P. capillare</i> and easily overlooked. M.J. Oldham #8781 (DAO, MICH, TRTE) from Point Abino in 1988. Known elsewhere in the Region only from Windmill Point. Included by some authors in <i>P. philadelphicum</i> (e.g. FNA), but recognized here following Darbyshire and Cayouette (1995).		R2			S4	POACEAE

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Panicum virgatum L.	Switch Grass	U	Known from several sites along the Lake Erie and Niagara River shoreline and an occasional weed along roadsides and railways.	R3	С			S4	POACEAE
Papaver somniferum L.	Opium Poppy	IH	Niagara Parks System (Cameron 1895).	I				SE1	PAPAVERACEAE
Parietaria pensylvanica Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Pellitory	R	Moist calcareous woods and ledges; occasionally weedy. M.J. Oldham #32705 (DAO) from the Whirlpool in 2006.	R1	VU			S4	URTICACEAE
Parnassia glauca Raf.	Grass-of-Parnassus	R	Known from the Niagara River (specimens at TRT), where seen as recently as 2006 (M.J. Oldham) at the Whirlpool. Collected at Point Abino in the 1920s by F.W. Johnson (BUF; House 1930), though not seen there since (Yaki 1970, Macdonald 1990).	R2	U			85	PARNASSIACEAE
Paronychia fastigiata (Raf.) Fern. var. fastigiata	Forked Chickweed	RH	W.L. Putnam #247 (DAO) from West Lincoln Township in 1974 (ARVPO database). Only regional record.		R1			S1	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Parthenocissus inserta (A. Kerner) Fritsch	Virginia Creeper	С	Our most common Virginia Creeper, usually in more open situations than <i>P. quinquefolia</i> . Frequently found in a vegetative state and difficult to distinguish from <i>P. quinquefolia</i> . = <i>Parthenocissus vitacea</i> .	С	С			S 5	VITACEAE
Parthenocissus quinquefolia (L.) Planchon ex DC.	Virginia Creeper	U	Uncommon in woods. More southern than the very similar <i>P. inserta</i> . Many reports of <i>P. quinquefolia</i> are probably referrable to <i>P. inserta</i> .		VU			S4?	VITACEAE
Parthenocissus tricuspidata (Siebold & Zucc.) Planch.	Boston Ivy	IR	Reported from Homer Escarpment by Riley et al. (1996).					SE1	VITACEAE
Pascopyrum smithii (Rydb.) A. Löve	Western Wheat Grass	IR	M.J. Oldham #32981 (DAO) from the Whirlpool in 2006. = Agropyron smithii, Elymus smithii.		I			SE2	POACEAE
Pastinaca sativa L.	Wild Parsnip	IU	Uncommon weed, reported as early as 1890 from Queen Victoria Park, Niagara Falls (Panton 1890, as <i>Peucedanum sativum</i>).	I	I			SE5	APIACEAE
Pedicularis canadensis L.	Wood-betony	R	Reported from several Niagara Escarpment sites (Riley et al. 1996).	U10	U			S5	OROBANCHACEAE

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Pedicularis lanceolata Michaux	Swamp Lousewort	R	Early reports from several sites along the Niagara River (e.g. Day 1888, Panton 1890, Cameron 1895, Heimburger 1955). Reported from North Pelham Valley (Spooky Hollow Sanctuary) by Campbell (1982). M.J. Oldham #33895 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2006.					S4	OROBANCHACEAE
Pellaea atropurpurea (L.) Link	Purple-stemmed Cliff-brake	R	Well known from the Niagara Gorge with many reports and collections (e.g. BUF, TRT), and still present (2006, M.J. Oldham) in the Niagara Glen. Reported from three Niagara Escarpment sites by Riley et al. (1996).					83	PTERIDACEAE
Pellaea glabella Mett. ex Kuhn ssp. glabella	Smooth Cliff-brake	R	Cliffs and boulders along the Niagara Escarpment. Reported from four Niagara Escarpment sites by Riley et al. (1996). J. Jalava #91-87 (TRT) from 15 Mile Creek ANSI in 1991.	R2				S4	PTERIDACEAE
Peltandra virginica (L.) Schott & Endl.	Arrow Arum	R	Creek margins. M.J. Oldham #35354 (HAM) Baden-Powell Park, City of Niagara Falls, in 2008. See Laking (1951).	R1	R2			S2	ARACEAE
Penstemon digitalis Nutt. ex Sims	Foxglove Beard- tongue	U	About 1 km S of Whirlpool parking lot along Niagara Parkway, C.J. Rothfels #2228 (HAM) in 2006.	С	U			S4S5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Penstemon hirsutus (L.) Willd.	Hairy Beard-tongue	U		С	VU			S4	PLANTAGINACEAE
Penthorum sedoides L.	Ditch Stonecrop	С		С	U			S5	PENTHORACEAE
Persicaria amphibia (L.) S.F. Gray	Water Smartweed	U	Scattered sites. Infraspecific taxa not recognized in FNA Vol. 5. = <i>Polygonum amphibium</i> .	С	С			S5	POLYGONACEAE
Persicaria arifolia (L.) Haraldson	Halberd-leaved Tear-thumb	U	Scattered in swamps and floodplains. A.C. Garofalo #07-693 (HAM) from Boyer's Creek, Niagara Falls, in 2007. = Polygonum arifolium.	R1	R2			S3	POLYGONACEAE

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Persicaria hydropiper (L.) Spach	Water-pepper	IC	Common in wetlands. Generally considered introduced (e.g. Morton and Venn 1990) though perhaps at least partly native. = Polygonum hydropiper.	I	Ι?			SE5	POLYGONACEAE
Persicaria hydropiperoides (Michx.) Small	Mild Water-pepper	R	Rare in wetlands. C. Schaefer #91-112 (TRT) from 16 Mile Creek ANSI in 1991. = Polygonum hydropiperoides.	C	U			S5	POLYGONACEAE
Persicaria lapathifolia (L.) S.F. Gray	Pale Smartweed	С	Common in wetlands. = Polygonum lapathifolium.	С	С			S5	POLYGONACEAE
Persicaria maculosa S.F. Gray	Lady's-thumb	IC	Common, shorelines and other moist disturbed areas. = Polygonum persicaria.	I	I			SE5	POLYGONACEAE
Persicaria orientalis (L.) Spach	Prince's Feather	IH	Rare escape from cultivation. Several early reports: Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). Parks, Ontario, Hamilton (1943). Ontario: [Niagara] Parkway, Chippewa, Oldengarm, Sept. 14, 1961 (NFO). = Polygonum orientale.	1	I			SE3	POLYGONACEAE
Persicaria pensylvanica (L.) Gomez	Pinkweed	С	Common in wetlands. <i>Polygonum</i> pensylvanicum.	С	U			S5	POLYGONACEAE
Persicaria punctata S.F. Gray	Smartweed	С	Swampy woods and moist shorelines. = Polygonum punctatum.	С	U			S5	POLYGONACEAE
Persicaria sagittata (L.) H. Gross	Arrow-leaved Tear-thumb	С	Common in wetlands. = Polygonum sagittatum.	С	U			S4	POLYGONACEAE
Persicaria virginiana (L.) Gaertner	Jumpseed	С	Common in woods. = Polygonum virginianum, Tovara virginiana.	С	С			S4	POLYGONACEAE
Petasites frigidus (L.) Fries	Sweet Coltsfoot	RH	Dufferin Islands, Soper (TRT 14389) in 1950 (Varga and Kor 1993; as <i>P. palmatus</i>). = <i>Petasites palmatus</i> .	R1				S5	ASTERACEAE
Petasites japonicus (Siebold & Zucc.) Maxim	Japanese Coltsfoot	IR	Known from Dufferin Islands since at least the 1940s and still present (M.J. Oldham #32936, DAO, in 2006). Originally reported as <i>P. hybridus</i> or <i>P. vulgaris</i> (Montgomery 1957, Eckel 2001), but subsequently reidentified as <i>P. japonicus</i> .					SE1	ASTERACEAE
PEUCEDANUM	see		PASTINACA						APIACEAE
Phalaris arundinacea L.	Reed Canary Grass	С	Some or all populations may be introduced.	С	С			S5	POACEAE

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Phalaris canariensis L.	Canary Grass	IR	M.J. Oldham #32934 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2006.	I				SE2	POACEAE
Phedimus spurius (M. von Bieberstein) 't Hart	Two-row Stonecrop	IR	D.F. Brunton #7922 (TRT) from Niagara Glen in 1988. = <i>Sedum spurium</i> .	-				SE1	CRASSULACEAE
Phegopteris connectilis (Michaux) Watt	Northern Beech Fern	RH	Niagara Parks System (as <i>Phegopteris polypodioides</i>), Cameron (1895). (As <i>Dryopteris phegopteris</i>) Queenston, Wm. Scott, Sept. 7, 1898 (TRT 25166; 25184), Heimburger (1955). No recent reports. = <i>Thelypteris phegopteris</i> .	R1				85	THELYPTERIDACEAE
Phegopteris hexagonoptera (Michaux) Fee	Broad Beech Fern	R	Rare and apparently declining in rich woods. A.C. Garofalo #08-1073 (HAM) from Short Hills in 2008. = Thelypteris hexagonoptera.	R3	U	SC	SC	S3	THELYPTERIDACEAE
Phellodendron amurense Rupr.	Amur Corktree	IR	Rare in woods. M.J. Oldham #32891 (MICH, det. A.A. Reznicek 2008) from Niagara Glen in 2007. Not reported for Ontario by Morton and Venn (1990).					SE1	RUTACEAE
Philadelphus coronarius L.	Mock-orange	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. C. Schaefer #91-102 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991.	I				SE1	HYDRANGEACEAE
Phleum pratense L.	Timothy	IC	A very common weedy grass.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Phlox divaricata L.	Blue Phlox	U	Uncommon overall, and rare on the clay plain. Mostly confined to rocky or rich woods.	С	С			S4	POLEMONIACEAE
Phlox paniculata L.	Garden Phlox	IR	A rare escape from cultivation. Reported from Point Abino by Macdonald (1990).	I	I			SE3	POLEMONIACEAE
PHOTINIA	see		ARONIA						ROSACEAE
Phragmites australis (Cav.) Trin. ex Steudel ssp. americanus Saltonstall, P.M. Peterson & Soreng	American Common Reed	DD	The native subspecies (ssp. <i>americanus</i>) is known with certainty (based on specimens from several Ontario herbaria identified by P.M. Catling, pers. comm. 2010) from Wainfleet Bog (e.g. W.J. Cody #12478, DAO, in 1962) and may be rare and declining in the region. Most records from the region are not identified to the subspecies level.	ł				S5?	POACEAE

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Phragmites australis (Cav.) Trin. ex Steudel ssp. australis	European Common Reed	IC	The introduced and highly invasive European subspecies (ssp. <i>australis</i>) is widespread in Niagara in disturbed moist ground (e.g. M.J. Oldham #33842, DAO, from Niagara River Whirlpool in 2006). Spreading rapidly at Wainfleet Bog (M. Browning pers. comm. 2010). Most records from the region are not identified to the subspecies level.	С	С			SE5	POACEAE
Phryma leptostachya L.	Lopseed	U		С	С			S4S5	PHRYMACEAE
Physalis alkekengi L.	Chinese Lantern	IR	A rare escape from cultivation (Zenkert & Zander 1975).	I	I			SE2	SOLANACEAE
Physalis grisea (Waterf.) M. Martínez	Ground-cherry	IH	Historical record, Queenston, TRT (Riley et al. 1996). = <i>Physalis pubescens</i> .					SE1	SOLANACEAE
Physalis heterophylla Nees	Clammy Ground- cherry	R	Reported from three Niagara Escarpment sites by Riley et al. (1996).	C	C			S4	SOLANACEAE
Physalis subglabrata Mackenzie & Bush	Smooth Ground- cherry	RH	1952 specimen at TRT from Homer Escarpment (Riley et al. 1996). = Physalis longifolia var. subglabrata, P. virginiana var. subglabrata.	R2	R4			S4?	SOLANACEAE
Physalis virginiana Miller var. virginiana	Ground-cherry	R	NAI database.					SU	SOLANACEAE
Physocarpus opulifolius (L.) Maxim.	Ninebark	U	Locally common along the Niagara River.	С	U			S5	ROSACEAE
Physostegia virginiana (L.) Benth. ssp. virginiana	False Dragonhead	R	Rare and local; most sites are along the Lake Erie shoreline. A.C. Garofalo #06-091 (HAM) from Wainfleet Wetlands in 2006.	R2	R2			S4	LAMIACEAE
Phytolacca americana L.	Pokeweed	C		U7	С			S4	PHYTOLACCACEAE
Picea abies (L.) Karsten	Norway Spruce	IC	An uncommon escape from cultivation. Frequently persists after cultivation and most Niagara records may be of plants persisting after cultivation rather than spreading from cultivation.	I	I			SE3	PINACEAE
Picea glauca (Moench) Voss	White Spruce	IU	Uncommon escape from cultivation.	I/N	R1			S5	PINACEAE

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Picea mariana (Miller) Britton, Sterns & Poggenb.	Black Spruce	RH	Known historically from Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992) and Willoughby Marsh (A.A. Reznicek, pers. comm. 2010).	R2	R1			S5	PINACEAE
Picris echioides L.	Bristly Ox-tongue	IH	Known from an old collection from Niagara Falls (Montgomery 1957).	I				SEX	ASTERACEAE
Picris hieracioides L. ssp. hieracioides	Ox-tongue	IU	Local in disturbed ground.	I				SE5	ASTERACEAE
Pilea fontana (Lunell) Rydb.	Black-seeded Clearweed	U	Rare in moist, often shaded sites. Perhaps overlooked due to confusion with <i>P. pumila</i> . S. Varga #91-93 (TRT) from Decew Valley in 1991. See Eckel (1983).	С	U			S4	URTICACEAE
Pilea pumila (L.) A. Gray	Clearweed	С		С	С			S5	URTICACEAE
Pinus banksiana Lambert	Jack Pine	IR	Rare escape from cultivation.	I	I			S5	PINACEAE
Pinus nigra Arnold	Austrian Pine	IR	Rare escape from cultivation.	I				SE2	PINACEAE
Pinus resinosa Aiton	Red Pine	IR	Rare escape from cultivation.	I/N	I			S5	PINACEAE
Pinus strobus L.	Eastern White Pine	С		С	С			S5	PINACEAE
Pinus sylvestris L.	Scots Pine	IC	Escape from cultivation.	I	I			SE5	PINACEAE
Piptatherum racemosum (Sm.) Eaton	Mountain-rice	U	Rich deciduous woods; quite local. = Oryzopsis racemosa.	U8	U			S4	POACEAE
Plantago arenaria Waldst. & Kit.	Flaxseed Plantain	IR	Fort Erie railway yard, M.J. Oldham #18174 (MICH) in 1995 = Plantago indica, P. psyllium.	I	I			SE4	PLANTAGINACEAE
Plantago lanceolata L.	English Plantain	IC		I	I			SE5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Plantago major L.	Common Plantain	IC		I	I			SE5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Plantago rugelii Dcne.	Rugel's Plantain	С		С	С			S5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Platanthera aquilonis Sheviak	Tall Northern Green Orchid	RH	Historically "frequently found in the [Niagara] Glen and at Dufferin Islands" (Hamilton 1943), though no recent records from either site (Varga and Kor 1993, Oldham 2007). Most recently reported from North Pelham Valley (Spooky Hollow Sanctuary) by Campbell (1982) based on a 1979 survey. = Platanthera hyperborea of regional reports.	R3	VU			85	ORCHIDACEAE

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Platanthera blephariglottis (Willd.) Lindley	White Fringed- orchid	RH	Mapped from Niagra by Whiting and Catling (1986), though no specimens seen by them. Reported from the Niagara Parks System by Cameron (1895) and Hamilton (1943; " reported from the Parks, but not recently found").		RH			S4	ORCHIDACEAE
Platanthera flava (L.) Lindley var. herbiola (R. Br. ex Ait. f.) Luer	Tubercled Orchid	RH	R. Cameron (CAN) from "near the Whirlpool, Niagara" in 1894 is the only regional specimen record. No recent reports.		VU			S3	ORCHIDACEAE
Platanthera hookeri (Torrey ex Gray) Lindley	Hooker's Orchid	RH	Several historic records from the Niagara River area including an 1891 J. Macoun collection (CAN), but no recent reports.		RH			S 3	ORCHIDACEAE
Platanthera lacera (Michaux) G. Don var. lacera	Ragged Fringed- orchid	RH	Historical record from Niagara Falls (R. Cameron, CAN, in 1893). No records since 1903 (W. Scott, TRT, from Queenston Quarry).	U8	U			S4S5	ORCHIDACEAE
Platanthera orbiculata (Pursh) Lindley var. orbiculata	Large Round-leaved Orchid	RH	Mapped from the general vicinity of Niagara Falls by Whiting and Catling (1986) based on a specimen examined.					S4?	ORCHIDACEAE
Platanthera psycodes (L.) Lindley	Small Purple Fringed-orchid	RH	R. Cameron (CAN) from Niagara Falls in 1893 is the only known regional specimen record. No recent reports.	R5	U			S5	ORCHIDACEAE
Platanus occidentalis L.	Sycamore	U	Primarily on floodplains.	R4	U			S4	PLATANACEAE
Platanus x acerifolia (Aiton) Willd.	London Plane-tree	hyb	An occasional escape from cultivation or perhaps just persisting after cultivation (e.g. Gregory 2005a). Not reported as escaping cultivation in North America by FNA Vol. 3 (1997). Reputedly a hybrid between <i>P. occidentalis</i> and <i>P. orientalis</i> . = <i>Platanus hybrida</i> .					SE1	PLATANACEAE
Poa alsodes A. Gray	Woodland Poa	R	Rich woods.	U8	U			S4	POACEAE
Poa annua L.	Annual Blue Grass	IC		I	I			SE5	POACEAE

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Poa bulbosa L.	Bulbous Poa	IR	A weed of lawns in parks and cemeteries, also found in campgrounds and roadsides. Apparently spreading in Ontario (Oldham et al. 1995). M.J. Oldham #32367 from Niagara Glen in 2006.	I	I			SE3	POACEAE
Poa compressa L.	Canada Blue Grass	IC	Although sometimes considered native (e.g. Morton and Venn 1990), this species is considered entirely introduced to North America by FNA and generally occurs in weedy situations.	С	I			S5	POACEAE
Poa nemoralis L.	Wood Blue Grass	IC	A European species locally established in disturbed woodlands. M.J. Oldham #32623 (DAO) from Brown's Point Park, Niagara Parkway, in 2006.	I	I			SE3	POACEAE
Poa palustris L.	Fowl Meadow Grass	С	Common in wetlands.	С	С			S5	POACEAE
Poa pratensis L. ssp. pratensis	Kentucky Blue Grass	IC	Very common weed, perhaps in part native.	I	I			S5	POACEAE
Poa saltuensis Fern. & Wieg. ssp. languida (Hitchc.) A. Haines	Languid Poa	RH	Rare in dry upland woods. Several early records (e.g. Macoun 1883-1892, Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943) from the Niagara River area and reported from Port Davidson, Niagara Region, based on a specimen examined by Dore and McNeill (1980). No recent reports. = Poa languida.	R4	U			83	POACEAE
Poa trivialis L.	Rough Blue Grass	IU	Uncommon weed of moist areas.	I	I			SE3	POACEAE
Podophyllum peltatum L.	May-apple	C	Rich woods.	C	C			S5	BERBERIDACEAE
Pogonia ophioglossoides (L.) Juss.	Rose Pogonia	RH	Reported from North Pelham Valley (Spooky Hollow Sanctuary) by Campbell (1982) based on a 1979 survey.		R1			S4S5	ORCHIDACEAE
Polanisia dodecandra (L.) DC. ssp. dodecandra	Clammy-weed	U	Uncommon on beaches, sandy roadsides and along railways. Perhaps native on Lake Erie beaches, though some or all populations in the Niagara area may be adventive. M.J. Oldham #18183 (TRT) from Erie Beach in 2007. = Polanisia graveolens.	R2	U			S4	CLEOMACEAE

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Polygala incarnata L.	Pink Milkwort	RH	"Said by Douglas (1823) to have been found in rocky places on the Niagara River near the Falls" (Macoun 1883-1892, 1888). No substantiating specimen located (though the species is distinctive) and no subsequent records from the Region.	1		END	END	S 1	POLYGALACEAE
Polygala paucifolia Willd.	Fringed Polygala	RH	Observed by S. Walshe (1970) and I.D. Macdonald (1976) at Point Abino (Macdonald 1990) and mapped from there by Gillett (1978). No recent records.	U8	C			S5	POLYGALACEAE
Polygala sanguinea L.	Field Milkwort	R	Two NAI survey collections. A.C. Garofalo #08-1019 (HAM) from Pelham Township in 2008.					S3	POLYGALACEAE
Polygala senega L.	Seneca Snakeroot	R	Rare and local along the Niagara River, though many historical reports. P.M. Eckel (BUF) from Whirlpool Woods in 1986. Reported from three Niagara Escarpment sites by Riley et al. (1996).	U8	VU			S4	POLYGALACEAE
Polygala verticillata L.	Whorled Milkwort	R	Scattered records. Small and inconspicuous. M.J. Oldham #33963 (DAO) from Navy Island in 2006.	R3	U			S4	POLYGALACEAE
Polygonatum biflorum (Walter) Elliott	Solomon's-seal	R	Rare in rich woods.	R1	U			S4	CONVALLARIACEAE
Polygonatum pubescens (Willd.) Pursh	Hairy Solomon's-seal	С		С	С			S5	CONVALLARIACEAE
POLYGONUM	see also		FALLOPIA, PERSICARIA						POLYGONACEAE
Polygonum achoreum Blake	Striate Knotweed	R	Although considered native to Ontario (e.g. Morton and Venn 1990), this species generally occurs in weedy situations. Easily overlooked due to its similarity to other small <i>Polygonum</i> species. A few regional reports (e.g. Macdonald 1992). C.J. Rothfels #339 (HAM) from Jordan Harbour in 2002.	R4	U			85	POLYGONACEAE
Polygonum aviculare L. ssp. aviculare	Prostrate Knotweed	IU	Scattered regional records, some of which may belong to related species in the <i>Polygonum aviculare</i> complex.	?				SE5	POLYGONACEAE

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Polygonum aviculare L. ssp. depressum (Meisner) Arcangeli	Knotweed	IR	A small, weedy knotweed easily confused with similar species. Point Abino (Macdonald 1990). = Polygonum arenastrum.	I	С			SE5	POLYGONACEAE
Polygonum aviculare L. ssp. neglectum (Besser) Arcangeli	Knotweed	R	Apparently rare in Niagara though easily confused with other small <i>Polygonum</i> species. Specimen at TRTE det. P.W. Ball. = <i>Polygonum</i> neglectum.					S4?	POLYGONACEAE
Polygonum erectum L.	Erect Knotweed	RH	Collected at St. Catherines and Queenston in the late 1800s (CAN, TRTE; ARVPO database). No verified recent records. Very similar to other small knotweeds.	RH				S1	POLYGONACEAE
Polygonum ramosissimum Michaux ssp. ramosissimum	Yellow-flower Knotweed	IR	Native to Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990) but in Niagara known only from a railway yard in Niagara Falls (M.J. Oldham #34919, DAO, MICH, in 2007), where presumably introduced.	RH				S4	POLYGONACEAE
Polymnia canadensis L.	Leafcup	R	Niagara River, where still present at the Niagara Glen and Whirlpool, and Point Abino. J. Jalava #439-93 (TRT) from Queenston Escarpment ANSI in 1993.	U6				S4	ASTERACEAE
Polypodium virginianum L.	Rock Polypody	U	Uncommon and local in rocky or sandy woods. = <i>Polypodium vulgare</i> .	U8	R5			S5	POLYPODIACEAE
Polystichum acrostichoides (Michaux) Schott	Christmas Fern	С	Common in woods.	С	С			S5	DRYOPTERIDACEAE
Polystichum lonchitis (L.) Roth	Holly Fern	RH	"Found sparingly at Foster's Flats (Niagara Glen), below the Whirlpool, Niagara Falls, Ontario" (Macoun 1883-1892). Seen as recently as 1948 (B. Miller, HAM) and 1950 (A.H. Savage, NFO, det. M.J. Oldham in 2006) in Niagara Gorge, but there are no more recent reports (Varga and Kor 1993, Oldham 2007), and the more recent specimens may represent a reintroduction (Mills 1985).					S4	DRYOPTERIDACEAE
Pontederia cordata L.	Pickerel-weed	R	Wetlands.	I?	U			S5	PONTEDERIACEAE

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Populus alba L.	White Poplar	IU	Spreads by suckering from planted individuals. Locally a problem weed.	I	I			SE5	SALICACEAE
Populus balsamifera L. ssp. balsamifera	Balsam Poplar	R		C	U			S5	SALICACEAE
Populus deltoides Bartram ex Marshall ssp. deltoides	Eastern Cottonwood	С		С	С			S5	SALICACEAE
Populus grandidentata Michaux	Large-toothed Aspen	С		С	С			S5	SALICACEAE
Populus nigra L.	Lombardy Poplar	IR		I				SE2	SALICACEAE
Populus tremuloides Michaux	Trembling Aspen	С		С	С			S5	SALICACEAE
Populus x canadensis Moench	(P. deltoides X P. nigra)	hyb	Seen at Point Abino by J. Kaiser (in 1986) and I.D. Macdonald (in 1976), though not since Macdonald (1990).	I	I			SE1	SALICACEAE
Portulaca grandiflora Hook.	Rose Moss	IH	Early records only: Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). " an undesirable plentiful in gardens and cultivated areas of the Parks" (Hamilton 1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca. 1890] (NFO) (Eckel 2001).					SE1	PORTULACACEAE
Portulaca oleracea L.	Common Purslane	IU	An uncommon weed of disturbed open ground.	I	I			SE5	PORTULACACEAE
POTAMOGETON	see also		STUCKENIA						POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton alpinus Balbis	Alpine Pondweed	RH	Reported (as <i>P. tenuifolius</i>) from "Niagara River above the Falls" by Morong (NY) in 1886 (Zenkert 1934), but not specifying Ontario.		1			S5	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton amplifolius Tuckerman	Large-leaved Pondweed	RH	Old records only: "Niagara River (Rev. Thomas Morong)," Day (1888). "Not rare in deep and still water, but seldom collected Niagara River, on the Canadian side. (Tuckerman.)" (Macoun 1883-1892).	U6	VU			S5	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton crispus L.	Curly-leaved Pondweed	IC		I	I			SE5	POTAMOGETONACEAE

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Potamogeton epihydrus Raf.	Ribbon-leaf Pondweed	R	Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990). J. Jalava #91-47 (TRT) from 15 Mile Creek ANSI in 1991.	U7	RH			S4S5	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton foliosus Raf. ssp. foliosus	Leafy Pondweed	R	Early reports: Niagara Park System (as <i>P. pauciflorus</i>), Cameron (1895). Ontario: Queenston, Scott, Aug. 28, 1847, Heimburger (1955). Var. <i>niagarensis</i> Tuckerman, which is no longer taxonomically recognized (FNA Vol. 23), was described from Niagara Falls. Few recent reports (e.g. Gregory 2003 from Sir Adam Beck Complex, Niagara Falls; Dougan and Associates 2007 from Lyon's Creek).	R2	R1			S 5	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton friesii Rupr.	Pondweed	RH	Early reports only: Niagara Park System (as Potamogeton mucronatus), Cameron (1895). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca. 1890] (NFO) (Eckel 2001).	RH	R1			S4	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton gramineus L.	Variable-leaved Pondweed	RH	Early records from Point Abino (e.g. F.W. Johnson in the 1920s, BUF; Macdonald 1990). No recent reports.		U			S5	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton illinoensis Morong	Illinois Pondweed	RH	Historical records from Niagara Falls and Queenston (TRT) (Riley et al. 1996). Recent reports (e.g. NAI database) require verification. According to Ogden (1943), Hagstrom (1916) cites a <i>P. illinoensis</i> X <i>P. perfoliatus</i> specimen from Queenston, NIAG, without mentioning collector or date.		R1			S4	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton natans L.	Floating Pondweed	U	Quiet or slow-flowing waters. D. Gregory (TRT) from the Welland River (Gregory 2005a).	U9	С			S5	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton nodosus Poiret	Knotty Pondweed	R	Early Niagara River report (Eckel 2001). D. Gregory (TRT) from the Welland River (Gregory 2005a).	R3	R1			S5	POTAMOGETONACEAE

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Potamogeton perfoliatus L.	Perfoliate Pondweed	RH	Early Niagara River records (Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943) and collected at Point Abino by F.W. Johnson in 1924 (BUF; Zenkert 1934, Macdonald 1990). No recent reports.	R1	RH			S4	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton praelongus Wulfen	White-stemmed Pondweed	RH	Earlyl Niagara River records: "Niagara. Provancher, Flore Canadienne, p. 627," Day (1888). Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). " in the Parks (Ontario)," Hamilton (1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca. 1890] (NFO) (Eckel 2001).					S4S5	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton pusillus L. ssp. pusillus	Small Pondweed	RH	Early Niagara River reports: "Niagara River" Day (1888). Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). " in the Parks (Ontario)," Hamilton (1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca. 1890] (NFO). Reported from Wainfleet Bog by Auer (1930; in Macdonald 1992).	U10	C			S4S5	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton pusillus L. ssp. tenuissimus Mert. & Koch	Small Pondweed	R	S. Varga #91-617 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991 (Schaefer et al. 1992). = Potamogeton berchtoldii.	R2				S4S5	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton richardsonii (A. Bennett) Rydb.	Richardson's Pondweed	R	Formerly "according to Muenscher the dominant species in eastern end of Lake Erie and in Niagara River" (Zenkert 1934; specimens at BUF). Recently reported from the Welland River (Gregory 2005a).		U			S 5	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton strictifolius A. Bennett	Slender Pondweed	RH	Early reports: "Rare. Queenstown Ontario (1896) (W. Scott, Cornell Univ. Herb., according to Fernald; in Eckel 2001).		RH			S4	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton zosteriformis Fern.	Flat-stemmed Pondweed	R	Early reports from the Niagara RIver (Cameron 1895) and more recently from Wainfleet Bog (Auer 1930, in Macdonald 1992), Point Abino (Macdonald 1990), Welland River (Gregory 2005a).	R4	VU			85	POTAMOGETONACEAE
POTENTILLA	see also		COMARUM, DASIPHORA,						ROSACEAE

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Potentilla anserina L. ssp. anserina	Silverweed	С	Sandy shorelines and sometimes disturbed areas inland. = Argentina anserina.	U8	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Potentilla argentea L.	Silvery Cinquefoil	IR		I	I			SE5	ROSACEAE
Potentilla inclinata Villars	Downy Cinquefoil	IR	Rare weed. Reported from Wainfleet Bog by Macdonald (1992). M.J. Oldham #34935 (DAO, TRTE) from Niagara Falls railway yard in 2007.	I	I			SE4	ROSACEAE
Potentilla norvegica L.	Rough Cinquefoil	IC		I	I			S5	ROSACEAE
Potentilla recta L.	Rough-fruited Cinquefoil	IC		I	I			SE5	ROSACEAE
Potentilla reptans L.	Trailing Cinquefoil	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #33897 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2006.					SE2	ROSACEAE
Potentilla simplex Michaux	Common Cinquefoil	С		С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Potentilla supina L. ssp. paradoxa (Nutt.) Sojak	Strange Cinquefoil	R	Rare on sandy shores. M.J. Oldham #18132 (TRTE) from Four Mile Pond, near Niagara-on-the-Lake in 1995. = Potentilla paradoxa.	R1	R1			S4	ROSACEAE
Prenanthes alba L.	White-lettuce	U	Less common in Niagara than <i>P. altissima</i> .	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Prenanthes altissima L.	Tall White-lettuce	C		C	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Proboscidea louisiana (Miller) Thell.	Louisiana Unicorn- plant	IH	Collected by R. Cameron (CAN) at Niagara Falls in 1892 (Montgomery 1957).					SEX	MARTYNIACEAE
Prosartes lanuginosa (Michaux) D. Don	Yellow Mandarin	R	Rare, rich woods. = Disporum lanuginosum.	C	С			S4	CONVALLARIACEAE
Proserpinaca palustris L.	Mermaid-weed	R	Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990). A. Garofalo #07-308 (HAM) from Young Woods in 2007. Seen recently at Wainfleet Bog (M. Browning pers. comm. 2010).	R4	U			S4	HALORAGACEAE
Prunella vulgaris L.	Heal-all	С	Most regional reports are the native ssp. <i>lanceolata</i> , although the introduced ssp. <i>vulgaris</i> has been reported also.	С	С			S5	LAMIACEAE
Prunus americana Marshall	Wild Plum	R	Rare in woods. S. Varga #13-93 (TRT) from DeCew Falls Escarpment and Valley ANSI in 1993.	U10	U			S4	ROSACEAE

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Prunus avium (L.) L.	Sweet Cherry	IC	Common in disturbed woods.	I	I			SE4	ROSACEAE
Prunus cerasifera Ehrh.	Chery Plum	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. M.J. Oldham #35309 (TRTE, det. P.W. Ball in 2009) from near Port Colborne in 2008.					SE1	ROSACEAE
Prunus cerasus L.	Sour Cherry	IR	A rare escape from cultivation. Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). "Escape," Parks, Ontario, Hamilton (1943). "Dufferin Islands," sight record, Yaki (1970). W. Scott (TRT) from Queenston Heights in 1897.	I				SE1	ROSACEAE
Prunus domestica L.	Common Plum	IR	A rare escape from cultivation. Ssp. domestica and ssp. institia have both been reported from the Region. M.J. Oldham #34851 (TRTE; ssp. institia, det. P.W. Ball in 2009) from Dufferin Islands in 2007.	I				SE2	ROSACEAE
Prunus mahaleb L.	Perfumed Cherry	IR		I	I			SE2	ROSACEAE
Prunus nigra Aiton	Canada Plum	R	Less common in Niagara than <i>P. americana</i> (G.E. Meyers pers. comm. to A.C. Garofalo).	C	U			S4	ROSACEAE
Prunus pensylvanica L.f.	Pin Cherry	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992).	C	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Prunus persica (L.) Batsch	Peach	IR	"[Niagara] Parks, escape" (Hamilton 1943). "[Niagara] Glen" sight record (Yaki (1970). Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990). W. Scott (TRT) from Queenston in 1901.					SE1	ROSACEAE
Prunus pumila L. var. pumila	Sand Cherry	R	A declining shrub in the lower Great Lakes region (Catling and Larson 1997). M.J. Oldham #23194 (DAO) from Point Abino in 1999.		VU			S3	ROSACEAE
Prunus serotina Ehrh.	Wild Black Cherry	С		С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Prunus virginiana L. var. virginiana	Choke Cherry	С		С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Pseudognaphalium obtusifolium (L.) Hilliard & Burtt	Fragrant Cudweed	R	Rare. = Gnaphalium obtusifolium.	R2	C			S5	ASTERACEAE

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Ptelea trifoliata L. var. trifoliata	Common Hoptree	R	Largely restricted to sandy shoreline sites on Lake Erie; also reported from the Niagara River (Hamilton 1943), Niagara Glen (Varga and Kor 1993), and Navy Island (Eckel 2001). See COSEWIC (2000b).	I	R1	THR	THR	83	RUTACEAE
Pteridium aquilinum (L.) Kuhn var. latiusculum (Desv.) Underw. ex Heller	Eastern Bracken	С		С	С			S5	DENNSTAEDTIACEAE
Pterospora andromedea Nutt.	Pine-drops	RH	Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). "Niagara River near the Whirlpool (Day, Cat. Niag. Fl.). Rare and probably extinct in our region," Zenkert (1934). A species which has declined throughout southern Ontario, south of the Precambrian Shield.	RH	RH			S2	ERICACEAE
Puccinellia distans (Jacq.) Parl. ssp. distans	Reflexed Saltmarsh Grass	IU	An uncommon weed of major roadways and railways, where deicing salt has been used.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Pycnanthemum tenuifolium Schrader	Narrow-leaved Mountain-mint	RH	Niagara Falls, Wm. Scott, Aug. 1, 1899 (TRT), Heimburger (1955). Crescent Beach, Lake Erie, Catling (TRT) in 1969. = Pycnanthemum flexuosum.		RH			S3	LAMIACEAE
Pycnanthemum virginianum (L.) Durand & Jackson ex Fern. & Robinson	Virginia Mountain- mint	R	A.C. Garofalo #07-710 (HAM) from Boyer's Creek in 2007.	U6	U			S4	LAMIACEAE
Pyracantha coccinea M. Roemer	Scarlet Firethorn	IR	Reported by D. Gregory (TRTE) from the Sir Adam Beck Complex, Niagara Falls (Gregory 2003b). Rare escape from cultivation. Not reported for Ontario by Morton and Venn (1990).					SE1	ROSACEAE
Pyrola americana Sweet	Round-leaved Pyrola	RH	Collected in the late 1800s from Point Abino by A. Chamot (BUF; Macdonald 1990). Also early records from the Niagara River (Niagara Park System, Cameron 1895; " (has) been reported" [from the Niagara Parks], Hamilton 1943). = Pyrola rotundifolia var. americana.		U			S4?	ERICACEAE

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Pyrola asarifolia Michaux ssp. asarifolia	Pink Pyrola	RH	Old records only: "(as <i>P. rotundifolia</i> var. <i>incarnata</i>) Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). (as <i>P. rotundifolia</i> var. <i>asarifolia</i> . Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). " (has) been reported (Ontario, Parks) Hamilton (1943) (Eckel 2001).	R2	R1			S 5	ERICACEAE
Pyrola chlorantha Sw.	Greenish Pyrola	RH	Early reports only: "Niagara Falls (Clinton). Near the Whirlpool on the Candian side" (Day 1888). Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). "Ontario: below the Whirlpool, Niagara River (Clinton, Gen. Herb.)," Zenkert (1934). " representatives prefer a boggy habitat and so are not abundant in the Parks reported," Hamilton (1943).	R1	U			S4S5	ERICACEAE
Pyrola elliptica Nutt.	Shinleaf	R	Early records from Point Abino (e.g. F.W. Johnson in the 1920s, BUF; Macdonald 1990) and the Niagara River (Cameron 1895; TRT, Heimburger 1955). A.C. Garofalo #08-1021 (HAM) from Coyle Creek Headwaters in 2008.	С	С			S5	ERICACEAE
PYRUS	see also		MALUS						ROSACEAE
Pyrus communis L.	Pear	IC		I	I			SE4	ROSACEAE
Quercus alba L.	White Oak	C		C	C			S5	FAGACEAE
Quercus bicolor Willd.	Swamp White Oak	C		C	C			S4	FAGACEAE

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Quercus macrocarpa Michaux	Bur Oak	U	Classic, text-book Bur Oak is very uncommon to rare in Niagara and restricted to shallow soil sites which are inundated with water and dry out later in the year. Swamp White Oak outcompetes Bur Oak almost always in Niagara on the Haldimand Clay Plain. Hybrids are known to occur and are likely more common than pure Bur Oak in Niagara, however, these hydrids lean heavily toward Swamp White Oak characteristics. True Bur Oak with corky, winged twigs, good fruit, and distinct leaf shapes are very hard to find (A.C. Garofalo pers. comm. 2010).	С	С			S5	FAGACEAE
Quercus muhlenbergii Engelm.	Chinquapin Oak	U	Uncommon in woods, particularly on the Niagara Escarpment.	С	VU			S4	FAGACEAE
Quercus palustris Muenchh.	Pin Oak	С	Locally common in moist woods and roadsides. Formerly considered provincially rare (Argus et al. 1982-1987).					S4	FAGACEAE
Quercus rubra L.	Northern Red Oak	С		С	С			S5	FAGACEAE
Quercus shumardii Buckley	Shumard Oak	R	Distribution and status in Niagara poorly known and perhaps not present in the region at all. According to P.W. Ball (pers. comm. 2010) "I have material [TRTE] of some of the trees that are supposedly this species. In my view they are <i>Q. palustris X Q. rubra</i> . Both parents are present on the site. The acorns and cups are too small for <i>Q. shumardii</i> and the buds are redbrown." See Meyers (1983, 1984), COSEWIC (1999).			SC	SC	S3	FAGACEAE
Quercus velutina Lam.	Black Oak	U	Uncommon, restricted to the driest locations on the Fonthill Kame, St. Davids Burried Valley, Dunville Sand Plain and Niagara Escarpment. Very rare on the Haldimand Clay Plain (A.C. Garofalo pers. comm. 2010).	С	С			S4	FAGACEAE

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Quercus x schuettei Trel.	(Q. bicolor X Q. macrocarpa)	hyb	Locally common in moist woods.	hyb				SU	FAGACEAE
Ranunculus abortivus L.	Kidney-leaved Buttercup	С		C	С			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Ranunculus acris L.	Common Buttercup	IC		I	I			SE5	RANUNCULACEAE
Ranunculus bulbosus L.	Bulbous Buttercup	IU	Locally common introduction to roadsides and other open disturbed areas. M.J. Oldham #32429 (NHIC) from Paradise Grove in 2006.	I				SE3	RANUNCULACEAE
Ranunculus fascicularis Muhlenb. ex Bigelow	Early Buttercup	RH	Historical reports only: Ontario: " Chippewa (Maclagan.) Niagara Falls, Ont. (Macoun.)" Macoun (1883). " not common, but is occasionally encountered in the woods near Queenston" (Hamilton 1943). Reported from two Niagara Escarpment sites based on earlier surveys (Riley et al. 1996).	R2	R2			S4	RANUNCULACEAE
Ranunculus flabellaris Raf.	Yellow Water Buttercup	RH	Early reports from Wainfleet Bog but not seen by Macdonald (1992).	U6	U			S4?	RANUNCULACEAE
Ranunculus hispidus Michaux var. caricetorum (Greene) T. Duncan	Swamp Buttercup	U	Wetlands. = Ranunculus septentrionalis.	С	С			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Ranunculus hispidus Michaux var. hispidus	Hispid Buttercup	R	Local in dry, upland, usually oak dominated woods. S. Varga #19-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Provincial Park in 1993.	R4	VU			S3	RANUNCULACEAE
Ranunculus longirostris Godr.	White Water Crowfoot	R	Dufferin Islands (Hamilton 1943), Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992). The white-flowered aquatic buttercups are a taxonomically confused group with various interpretations. Niagara reports of Ranunculus aquatilis (which probably does not occur in North America) are probably mostly R. longirostris, with the possibility of R. trichophyllus also (P.W. Ball pers. comm. 2010). = Ranunculus aquatilis and R. subrigidus of regional reports.	R4	U			S4S5	RANUNCULACEAE

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Ranunculus pensylvanicus L.f.	Bristly Crowfoot	С		С	С			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Ranunculus recurvatus Poiret var. recurvatus	Hooked Buttercup	С		С	С			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Ranunculus repens L.	Creeping Buttercup	IR	Rare weed; most records from Niagara River area.	I	I			SE5	RANUNCULACEAE
Ranunculus rhomboideus Goldie	Prairie Buttercup	RH	A 1936 specimen (OAC) was collected from dry hills at Fenwick. No other regional reports.		R3			S4	RANUNCULACEAE
Ranunculus sardous Crantz	Hairy Buttercup	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #34354 (HAM, MICH, NHIC) from Port Colborne in 2007. Only recent Ontario record.					SE1	RANUNCULACEAE
Ranunculus sceleratus L. var. sceleratus	Cursed Crowfoot	С		С	U			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Raphanus raphanistrum L.	Wild Radish	IR	" often found in the fields about the [Niagara] Parks School," Hamilton (1943). M.J. Oldham #34964 (DAO) from Fort Erie in 2007.		I			SE3	BRASSICACEAE
Raphanus sativus L.	Radish	IH	Niagara Parks System (Cameron 1895). Cameron's manuscript was beset with typographical errors: the epithet here was spelled "sations" (Eckel 2001).					SE1	BRASSICACEAE
Reseda alba L.	White Mignonette	IH	Collected at Niagara Falls in the early 1900's (Montgomery 1957).					SEH	RESEDACEAE
REYNOUTRIA	see		FALLOPIA						POLYGONACEAE
RHAMNUS	see also		FRANGULA						RHAMNACEAE
Rhamnus alnifolia L'Her.	Alder-leaved Buckthorn	R	Swampy woods. A.C. Garofalo #08- 1129 (HAM) from Pelham Township in 2008.	C	U			S5	RHAMNACEAE
Rhamnus cathartica L.	Common Buckthorn	IC	Common weed in old fields and disturbed open woods.	I	I			SE5	RHAMNACEAE
Rhododendron groenlandicum (Oeder) Kron & Judd	Labrador-tea	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992). = Ledum groenlandicum.	R3				S5	ERICACEAE

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Rhodotypos scandens (Thunb.) Makino	jetbead	IR	Rare escape from cultivation to disturbed woods. Niagara Glen, Beeksma, June 8, 1968 (NFO). Erie Beach, Fort Erie, M.J. Oldham #18185 (MICH) in 1995.					SE1	ROSACEAE
RHUS	see also		TOXICODENDRON						ANACARDIACEAE
Rhus aromatica Aiton	Fragrant Sumac	R	Restricted to the Niagara River, where still present in the Glen - Whirlpool area (CAN, BUF, TRT).	R2	R2			S5	ANACARDIACEAE
Rhus glabra L.	Smooth Sumac	RH	Reported from Queenston Heights by Macoun (1883-1892) and from the Niagara Parks System by Cameron (1895). Soper and Heimburger (1982) map the species from one site on the Niagara River.		R1			S5	ANACARDIACEAE
Rhus typhina L.	Staghorn Sumac	С	Common, fields, woodland edges. = <i>Rhus hirta</i> .	С	C			S5	ANACARDIACEAE
Rhynchospora alba (L.) M. Vahl	White Beak-rush	R	Point Abino (Macdonald 1990) and Wainfleet Bog (M. Browning pers. comm. 2010).		R2			S5	CYPERACEAE
Rhynchospora capillacea Torrey	Hair-like Beak-rush	R	Point Abino (F.W. Johnson, BUF, in 1920s; Macdonald 1990). Niagara Gorge (Whirlpool) only (M.J. Oldham #32978, MICH, from the Niagara RIver Whirlpool in 2006).		U			S4?	CYPERACEAE
Ribes alpinum L.	Alpine Current	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. Recently recorded from Dufferin Islands (M.J. Oldham #34275, MICH, in 2007) and Marcy's Woods (S. Blaney pers. comm.). Not listed for Ontario by Morton and Venn (1990).					SE1	GROSSULARIACEAE
Ribes americanum Miller	Wild Black Currant	С		С	С			S5	GROSSULARIACEAE
Ribes aureum Pursh var. villosum DC.	Golden Currant	IH	Early recored only: Ontario, Niagara Parks System (as <i>Ribes aureum</i>), Cameron (1895). Not mapped from Niagara by Soper and Heimburger (1982). = <i>Ribes odoratum</i> .	I				SE4	GROSSULARIACEAE
Ribes cynosbati L.	Prickly Gooseberry	C		C	C			S5	GROSSULARIACEAE

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Ribes hirtellum Michaux	Swamp Gooseberry	R	Rare in moist woods. Most records historical: (as <i>R. oxyacanthoides</i>) "wet places near Clifton, Ontario," Day (1888). Ontario, Niagara Parks System (as <i>R. oxyacanthoides</i>), Cameron (1895). " at Dufferin Islands is observed occasionally" (Hamilton 1943). S. Varga #70-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Wildlife Refuge ANSI in 1993.	U9	U			85	GROSSULARIACEAE
Ribes rubrum L.	Garden Red Currant	IC	Locally common escape from cultivation. = <i>Ribes sativum</i> .	I	I			SE5	GROSSULARIACEAE
Ribes triste Pallas	Swamp Red Currant	R	Some reports (e.g. NAI database) may refer to the similar introduced species <i>Ribes rubrum</i> .	C	U			S5	GROSSULARIACEAE
Robinia pseudo-acacia L.	Black Locust	IC		I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Robinia viscosa Vent. ex Vauq.	Clammy Locust	IR	Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). Ontario: Whirlpool, Niagara Falls, Wm. Scott, June 21, 1898, Heimburger (1955). "Common near Brock's Monument" Hamilton (1943). Point Abino (Macdonald 1990).	I				SE3	FABACEAE
Rorippa aquatica (Eaton) E.J. Palmer & Steyermark	Lake Cress	RH	Collected by Clinton (BUF) in the 1800s from Frenchman's Creek, a tributary of the Niagara River (Zenkert 1934). No more recent reports. = Armoracia aquatica, A. lacustris, Neobeckia aquatica.					S 3	BRASSICACEAE
Rorippa palustris (L.) Besser	Marsh Yellow Cress	U	Both ssp. <i>fernaldiana</i> and ssp. <i>hispida</i> have been reported and collected (HAM) from Niagara, though the relative distribution and status of each is poorly known. An uncommon species of wetlands.	С	С			S 5	BRASSICACEAE
Rorippa sylvestris (L.) Besser	Creeping Yellow Cress	IR	C.J. Rothfels #340 (HAM) from Jordan Harbour in 2002.	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE

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Rosa blanda Aiton	Smooth Wild Rose	С	A hybrid between <i>Rosa acicularis</i> and <i>R. blanda</i> (<i>Rosa</i> x <i>housei</i> Erlanson) is reported from Navy Island (BUF) in 1998 by P.M. Eckel (2001). This hybrid is not reported from Ontario by Morton and Venn (1990) or Kartesz (1999).	С	U			S5	ROSACEAE
Rosa canina L.	Dog Rose	IR	A rare escape from cultivation. Similar to <i>R. eglanteria</i> , but lacking glands on the foliage. M.J. Oldham #34934 (TRTE) from Niagara Falls railway yard in 2007.	I				SE2	ROSACEAE
Rosa carolina L. ssp. carolina	Carolina Rose	С		С	U			S4	ROSACEAE
Rosa multiflora Thunb. ex Murray	Multiflora Rose	IC	Locally common introduced invasive shrub.	I	I			SE4	ROSACEAE
Rosa palustris Marshall	Swamp Rose	С		С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Rosa rubiginosa L.	Sweetbrier	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. = Rosa eglanteria, R. micrantha.	I	I			SE4	ROSACEAE
Rubus allegheniensis Porter	Common Blackberry	С		С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Rubus bifrons Vest	Himalayan Blackberry	IR	A rare escape from cultivation. M.J. Oldham #34271 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2007. = Rubus armeniacus, R. procerus.					SE1	ROSACEAE
Rubus canadensis L.	Smooth Blackberry	DD	Status poorly known due to confusion with similar species.					S4?	ROSACEAE
Rubus flagellaris Willd.	Northern Dewberry	U		R5	С			S4	ROSACEAE
Rubus hispidus L.	Swamp Dewberry	С		U6	С			S4S5	ROSACEAE
Rubus idaeus L. ssp. idaeus	Red Raspberry	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. "Common in the wooded areas of the Parks" (Hamilton 1943).	I				SE1	ROSACEAE
Rubus idaeus L. ssp. melanolasius (Dieck) Focke	Wild Red Raspberry	С	= Rubus idaeus ssp. strigosus, R. strigosus.	С	С		_	S5	ROSACEAE
Rubus occidentalis L.	Black Raspberry	С		С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Rubus odoratus L.	Purple-flowering Raspberry	С	Confined to rocky escarpment sites or rich woods. Rare on the Haldimand Clay Plain	С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Rubus pensilvanicus Poiret	Raspberry	R	Pt. Abino Peninsula (TRTE; Macdonald 1990).	R1	R1		_	SU	ROSACEAE

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Rubus pubescens Raf.	Dwarf Raspberry	С		С	C			S5	ROSACEAE
Rubus setosus Bigelow	Bristly Raspberry	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992). Mapped and mentioned from the Niagara River area by Soper and Heimburger (1982).	R1				S4?	ROSACEAE
Rudbeckia hirta L.	Black-eyed Susan	С		С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Rudbeckia laciniata L.	Cut-leaved Coneflower	R	Reported from three Niagara Escarpment sites by Riley et al. (1996). M.J. Oldham #33862 (NHIC) from Paradise Grove in 2006. Some reports may be based on introductions.	U8	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Rudbeckia triloba L.	Thin-leaved Coneflower	IR	Rare weed. C.J. Rothfels #342 (HAM) from Jordan Harbour in 2002.	I	I			SE4	ASTERACEAE
Rumex acetosella L.	Sheep Sorrel	IC		I	I			SE5	POLYGONACEAE
Rumex brittanica L.	Great Water Dock	R	Reported from St. Johns Valley by Riley et al. (1996) and from Lower Twelve Mile Creek by Gregory (2003a). = Rumex orbiculatus.	С	C			S4S5	POLYGONACEAE
Rumex crispus L.	Curly Dock	IC		I	I			SE5	POLYGONACEAE
Rumex longifolius DC.	House Dock	IH	Ontario: Roundhouse, Niagara Falls, Wm. Scott, June 17, 1899 (TRT, as Rumex domesticus), Heimburger (1955). = Rumex domesticus.					SE1	POLYGONACEAE
Rumex obtusifolius L. ssp. obtusifolius	Bitter Dock	IU		I	I			SE5	POLYGONACEAE
Rumex occidentalis S. Wats.	Western Dock	IH	Heimburger (1955) cited a specimen (TRT) of William Scott's collected at the Roundhouse, Niagara Falls, July 17, 1899. = Rumex fenestratus.					S5	POLYGONACEAE
Rumex verticillatus L.	Water Dock	R	J. Jalava #91-145 (TRT) from 16 Mile Creek ANSI in 1991.	С	U			S4	POLYGONACEAE
Rumex x crispo-obtusifolius Meissner	(R. crispus X R. obtusifolius)	hyb	A rare, but probably overlooked, hybrid between two common introduced species. Reported from entrance to Hydro facility, just N of Niagara Glen, in seepage on gorge crest, P.M. Eckel (BUF) in 1987 (Eckel 2001).					SE2?	POLYGONACEAE

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Sagina procumbens L.	Pearlwort	IR	A rare weed often in sidewalk cracks. M.J. Oldham #34959 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2007.	I	I			SE4	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Sagittaria latifolia Willd.	Common Arrowhead	С	Common in a variety of shallow wetland habitats.	С	С			S5	ALISMATACEAE
Sagittaria rigida Pursh	Stiff Arrowhead	RH	Early records from along the Niagara River, e.g. 'Niagara Parks System (as S. heterophylla), Cameron (1895). " in the ponds of the System and along the Niagara River," Hamilton (1943).		U			S4?	ALISMATACEAE
Salix alba L.	White Willow	IU	Uncommon escape from cultivation. Both var. <i>alba</i> and var. <i>vitellina</i> have been reported from the Niagara Region.	I	I			SE4	SALICACEAE
Salix amygdaloides Andersson	Peach-leaved Willow	С		С	U			S5	SALICACEAE
Salix atrocinerea L.	Rusty Willow	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #34724 (CAN, det. G.W. Argus in 2009) from Dufferin Islands in 2007. = Salix cinerea ssp. oleifolia.					SE1	SALICACEAE
Salix bebbiana Sarg.	Bebb's Willow	С		С	С			S5	SALICACEAE
Salix cinerea L.	Large Gray Willow	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #33837 (CAN, det. G.W. Argus in 2009) from Niagara River Whirlpool in 2006.					SE2	SALICACEAE
Salix cordata Michaux	Heart-leaved Willow	RH	Lake Erie sandy shoreline sites. Known only from Point Abino where collected by F.W. Johnson (BUF) in the 1920s (House 1930) and seen by A.W. Miller in 1948 (Macdonald 1990). No recent reports from the Niagara Region.	R2	R1			S4S5	SALICACEAE
Salix discolor Muhlenb.	Pussy Willow	C		C	C			S5	SALICACEAE
Salix eriocephala Michaux	Heart-leaved Willow	C		C	C			S5	SALICACEAE
Salix humilis Marshall	Upland Willow	R	M.J. Oldham #9264 (CAN, det. G.W. Argus) from Wainfleet Bog in 1989. Niagara Glen in 1989 (Varga and Kor 1993). C. Schaefer #91-29 (TRT) from 16 Mile Creek ANSI in 1991.	R2	VU			S5	SALICACEAE

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Salix interior Rowlee	Sandbar Willow	С	Widespread and common throughout southern Ontario on shores and other moist open areas. = <i>Salix exigua</i> ssp. <i>interior</i> .	С	С			S5	SALICACEAE
Salix lucida Muhlenb.	Shining Willow	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992). Mapped from several Niagara sites by Soper and Heimburger (1982).	C	U			S5	SALICACEAE
Salix myricoides Muhlenb.	Blue-leaved Willow	RH	Mapped from the vicinity of Point Abino by Soper and Heimburger (1982), though not seen there and no records located by Macdonald (1990).		R1			S3	SALICACEAE
Salix nigra Marshall	Black Willow	C		C	U			S4?	SALICACEAE
Salix pedicellaris Pursh	Bog Willow	RH	Collected F.W. Johnson (BUF) in the 1920s from Point Abino (House 1930) and mapped from there by Soper and Heimburger (1982). Not seen at Point Abino in more recent surveys or reported elsewhere in the region.	R1	R3			S5	SALICACEAE
Salix pentandra L.	Bay-leaved Willow	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. C. Schaefer #91-54 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991.	I				SE2	SALICACEAE
Salix petiolaris J.E. Smith	Slender Willow	U	Moist to wet, open thickets in meadows, along floodplains, shores. = Salix gracilis.	С	С			S5	SALICACEAE
Salix purpurea L.	Basket Willow	IU	An increasingly common weedy willow of moist, open areas such as floodplains, lakeshores and pond margins.	I	I			SE4	SALICACEAE
Salix serissima (L. Bailey) Fern.	Autumn Willow	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992). B. Larson #91-500 (TRT) from Beamsville Escarpment ANSI in 1991.	R5	U			S5	SALICACEAE
Salix x fragilis L.	(S. alba X S. euxina)	hyb	Common in moist areas. What has been called Crack Willow has recently been determined to be a hybrid (Belyaeva 2009). = Salix fragilis, S.x rubens.	I	I			SE5	SALICACEAE
Salsola collina Pallas	Slender Russian- thistle	IR	Rare but overlooked weed, often along railways. Fort Erie railway yard, M.J. Oldham #18175 (MICH, TRTE) in 1995.	I				SE4	AMARANTHACEAE

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Salsola tragus L.	Russian-thistle	IR	Rare weed in open, disturbed ground and sandy shores. ""occasionally found on dry soil near the Parks School" (Hamilton 1943). Ontario: Queenston Village, high land, Miller (655), Aug. 18, 1952; Roundhouse, Niagara Falls, Wm. Scott, Sept. 24, 1898 (Heimburger 1955). Fort Erie railway yard, M.J. Oldham #18179 (MICH) in 1995. = <i>S. pestifer, S. kali</i> var. <i>tenuifolia</i> .	I	I			SE5	AMARANTHACEAE
Sambucus canadensis L.	Common Elder	С		С	С			S5	ADOXACEAE
Sambucus racemosa L. ssp. pubens (Michaux) House	Red-berried Elder	С	Common, woods. = Sambucus pubens.	С	С			S5	ADOXACEAE
Samolus parviflorus Raf.	Water Pimpernel	R	Uncommon, primarily in moist open ground. M.J. Oldham #33878 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2006. = Samolus floribundus, S. valerandi ssp. parviflorus.	C	VU			S4	THEOPHRASTACEAE
Sanguinaria canadensis L.	Bloodroot	C		C	C			S5	PAPAVERACEAE
Sanguisorba minor Scop.	Garden Burnet	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #32369 (MICH) from Niagara Glen in 2006.	I				SE4	ROSACEAE
Sanicula canadensis L. var. canadensis	Canada Snakeroot	R	Reported from two Niagara Escarpment natural areas (Riley et al. 1996).	U10	U			S4	APIACEAE
Sanicula marilandica L.	Black Snakeroot	C		C	C			S5	APIACEAE
Sanicula odorata (Raf.) Pryer & Phillippe	Yellow Snakeroot	U	M.J. Oldham #9282 (TRTE, det. P.W. Ball) from Willoughby Marsh in 1989. = Sanicula gregaria.	U9	С			S5	APIACEAE
Sanicula trifoliata Bickn.	Large-fruited Snakeroot	R	S. Varga #347-92 (TRT) from Thirty Mile Creek Terrace Valley ANSI in 1992.	C	U			S4	APIACEAE
Saponaria officinalis L.	Bouncing Bet	IC		I	I			SE5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE

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Sarracenia purpurea L. ssp. purpurea	Pitcher-plant	RH	Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). Ontario: Niagara Glen, Ronald File, June 15, 1929 (TRT), Heimburger (1955). " very rare a few specimens having been reported from a marshy spot between Queenston and Niagara-on-the-Lake," Hamilton (1943). Reported from Wainfleet Bog (A.W. Miller, HAM, in 1948), though no recent records (Macdonald 1992). Also historically known from Point Abino (BUF; Macdonald 1990).	R2	RH			85	SARRACENIACEAE
Sassafras albidum (Nutt.) Nees	Sassafras	C		С	С			S4	LAURACEAE
SATUREJA	see also		CLINOPODIUM						LAMIACEAE
Satureja hortensis L.	Savory	IR	" a few stands are occasionally encountered where it has escaped from cultivation," Hamilton (1943).	I				SE2	LAMIACEAE
Saururus cernuus L.	Lizard's-tail	R	Rare along rivers, streams, and occasionally in low, wet woods. A. Garofalo #07-641 (HAM) from Ussher's Creek in 2007.	R3				S3	SAURURACEAE
SAXIFRAGA	see		MICRANTHES						SAXIFRAGACEAE
Schedonorus arundinaceus (Schreber) Dumort.	Tall Fescue	IC	A robust grass, common on disturbed, grassy roadsides. = Festuca arundinacea, Lolium arundinaceum.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Schedonorus pratensis (Hudson) P. Beauv.	Meadow Fescue	IC	Common on disturbed, grassy roadsides. = Festuca pratensis, Lolium pratensis.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Schizachne purpurascens (Torrey) Swallen	Purple Melic Grass	R	Rare in woods. M.J. Oldham #9289 (DAO) from Willoughby Marsh in 1989.	С	С			S5	POACEAE
Schizachyrium littorale (Nash) E.P. Bicknell	Shore Bluestem	R	Dry sandy shores. Very similar to S. scoparium and sometimes considered a variety of it. Point Abino (BUF, TRT; Macdonald 1990). M.J. Oldham #18196 (DAO) from Windmill Point in 1995. = Andropogon scoparius var. littoralis, Schachyrium scoparium var. littorale.		?			S2?	POACEAE

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Schizachyrium scoparium (Michaux) Nees	Little Bluestem	R	Dry open ground. = Andropogon scoparius.	R4	C			S4	POACEAE
Schoenoplectus acutus (Muhlenb. ex Bigelow) A. & D. Löve	Hard-stemmed Bulrush	R	Navy Island (P.M. Eckel, BUF, in 1998) (Eckel 2001). = Schoenoplectus lacustris ssp. acutus, Scirpus acutus.	U8	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Schoenoplectus pungens (M. Vahl) Palla	Threesquare	R	Moist shorelines, mostly along Lake Erie shoreline. M.J. Oldham #18135 (MICH) from Four Mile Pond near Niagara-on-the-Lake in 1995. = Scirpus pungens.	R5	C			S5	CYPERACEAE
Schoenoplectus purshianus (Fern.) M.T. Strong	Weak-stalked Bulrush	RH	Specimens from Queenston formerly identified as <i>Schoenoplectus</i> (or <i>Scirpus</i>) <i>smithii</i> (e.g. Argus et al. 1982-1987) have been redetermined to this species by S. Galen-Smith (e.g. W. Scott, TRT, from Queenston Heights in 1896). = <i>Scirpus purshianus</i> .					S1?	CYPERACEAE
Schoenoplectus smithii (A. Gray) Sojak	Smith's Bulrush	R	Rare on moist shorelines. M.J. Oldham #23178 (MICH, det. A.A. Reznicek) from Point Abino in 1999. = Scirpus smithii.		R1			S3	CYPERACEAE
Schoenoplectus tabernaemontani (Gmelin) Palla	Soft-stem Bulrush	С	Common in wetlands. = Schoenoplectus lacustris ssp. validus, Schoenoplectus validus, Scirpus validus.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Scilla sibirica Haw. ex Andr.	Scilla	IR	A rare escape from cultivation. Extensive population on moist, wooded slopes by road to Skylon Tower behind colored lights facility. P.M. Eckel 8807 (BUF) in 1988 (Eckel 2001).	I				SE2	HYACINTHACEAE
SCIRPUS	see also		BOLBOSCHOENUS, SCHOENOPLECTUS						CYPERACEAE
Scirpus atrovirens Willd.	Dark Green Bulrush	С	Series Elected	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Scirpus cyperinus (L.) Kunth	Wool-grass	С		С	U			S5	CYPERACEAE
Scirpus hattorianus Makino	Mosquito Bulrush	R	Rare in sandy open woods and edges. Easily confused with <i>S. atrovirens</i> and probably overlooked. M.J. Oldham #33865 (DAO) from Paradise Grove in 2006.					S4	CYPERACEAE

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Scirpus microcarpus Presl	Red-sheathed Bulrush	R	Rare, frequently in seepages. Reported from two Niagara Escarpment sites (Jalava et al. 1992, Riley et al. 1996). = Scirpus rubrotinctus.	R3				S5	CYPERACEAE
Scirpus pendulus Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Nodding Bulrush	U	A. Garofalo #08-452 (HAM) from Eagle Marsh - Wainfleet Wetlands in 2008.	С	С			S5	CYPERACEAE
Scleranthus annuus L.	Annual Knawel	IR	Rare in open disturbed ground. M.J. Oldham #34334 (DAO) from near Port Colborne in 2008.		I			SE5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Scrophularia lanceolata Pursh	Lance-leaved Figwort	R	S. Varga #438-93 (TRT) from Queenston Escarpment ANSI in 1993. Also reported from Fonthill Sandhills Valley (TRT; Riley et al. 1996).					S4	SCROPHULARIACEAE
Scrophularia marilandica L.	Carpenter's-square	R	Rare, primarily on the Niagara Escarpment. J. Jalava #91-402 (TRT) from Fifteen Mile Creek ANSI in 1991.	U10	U			S4	SCROPHULARIACEAE
Scutellaria galericulata L.	Common Skullcap	U	= Scutellaria epilobiifolia.	C	C			S5	LAMIACEAE
Scutellaria lateriflora L.	Mad-dog Skullcap	C		C	C			S5	LAMIACEAE
Scutellaria parvula Michaux var. parvula	Small Skullcap	R	Rare on alvars and quarry bottoms. Various records from the Niagara RIver area (Day 1888, Panton 1890, Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943, Heimburger 1955, Yaki 1970) and seen near Niagara Glen as recently as 1989 (Varga and Kor 1993) though not since (Oldham 2007). M.J. Oldham #34912 (DAO) from Wainfleet Wetlands in 2007.		R3			S4	LAMIACEAE
Secale cereale L.	Cultivated Rye	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #35266 (DAO) from Port Colborne in 2008.					SE3	POACEAE
Securigera varia (L.) Lassen	Crown-vetch	IU	Frequently planted along roadsides and spreading. = <i>Coronilla varia</i> .	I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
SEDUM	see also		HYLOTELEPHIUM, PHEDIMUS						CRASSULACEAE
Sedum acre L.	Mossy Stonecrop	IU		I	I			SE5	CRASSULACEAE
Sedum album L.	Stonecrop	IR	M.J. Oldham #22240 (MICH, det. A.A. Reznicek) from Marcy's Woods in 1999.					SE1	CRASSULACEAE

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Sedum sarmentosum Bunge	Live-forever	IR	"[Niagara] Glen" sight record (Yaki 1970). C.J. Rothfels #2240 (HAM) in 2006.	I				SE1	CRASSULACEAE
Sedum ternatum Michaux	Wild Live-forever	IR	Now known in Ontario recently only as a garden escape (e.g. J. Jalava #91-77, TRT, from Fifteen Mile Creek ANSI in 1991), it may have been native originally in the Niagara area, where it was collected in a natural setting in 1923 (FNA Vol. 8) and reported by George Douglas as early as the mid 1800s (Day 1888).					SE1	CRASSULACEAE
Selaginella eclipes Buck	Buck's Meadow Spike-moss	R	Local in moist ground where easily overlooked or confused with a moss. Included in <i>S. apoda</i> Fern. by Morton and Venn (1990), but recognized by FNA (1993). M.J. Oldham #32718 (DAO) from Windmill Point in 2006. = <i>Selaginella apoda</i> of local reports.	R1	U			S4	SELAGINELLACEAE
SENECIO	see also		PACKERA						ASTERACEAE
Senecio jacobaea L.	Stinking Willie	IH	Niagara Falls, Wm. Scott, Aug. 26, 1903 (TRT), Heimburger (1955).	I				SE1	ASTERACEAE
Senecio viscosus L.	Sticky Groundsel	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #18178 (MICH) from Fort Erie railway yard in 1995.	I				SE3	ASTERACEAE
Senecio vulgaris L.	Common Groundsel	IU	Uncommon weed.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Senna hebecarpa (Fern.) H.S. Irwin & Barneby	Wild Senna	RH	Niagara Falls, W. Scott, July 23,1898; M. Wilkes, Aug. 21, 1899, both at TRT, (ARVPO database). No recent reports. = Cassia hebecarpa, C. marilandica, Senna marilandica.					S1	FABACEAE
Setaria faberi R. Herrm.	Giant Foxtail	IU	A common weed of agricultural fields, roadsides and railways in southwestern Ontario. Fort Erie railway yard, Catling and Riley (CAN, DAO, TRT) in 1976 (Catling et al. 1977).	I	I			SE4	POACEAE
Setaria italica (L.) P. Beauv.	Foxtail Millet	IH	A rare weed, seldom persisting. Queenston, William Scott (TRT) in 1894 (Heimburger 1955).					SE1	POACEAE

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Setaria pumila (Poiret) Schultes	Yellow Foxtail	IC	Common. = Setaria glauca.	I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Setaria viridis (L.) P. Beauv.	Green Foxtail	IC		I	I			SE5	POACEAE
Shepherdia canadensis (L.) Nutt.	Soapberry	R	Most records from the Niagara River and Escarpment areas. M.J. Oldham #18212 (TRT) from Two Mile Pond near Niagara-on-the-Lake in 1995.	R5	RH			S5	ELAEAGNACEAE
Sicyos angulatus L.	Bur Cucumber	R	Most recent records are from the Lake Erie shore (e.g. M.J. Oldham #34881, NHIC, from Oakwood Beach in 2007), though reported from Paradise Grove in 1997 (BUF) by Eckel (2001).	R4	U			S5	CUCURBITACEAE
Sida hermaphrodita (L.) Rusby	Virginia Mallow	R	Single site in disturbed open ground. A globally vulnerable species. T.W. Smith #352 (HAM) in 2001.		I		END	S1	MALVACEAE
Silene antirrhina L.	Sleepy Catchfly	R	Old records from the Niagara Glen area: "Niagara Glen" (Zenkert 1934). " occasionally found in Niagara Glen" (Hamilton 1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, 1891 (NFO), where observed as recently as 1989 (Varga and Kor 1993).	R1	U			S5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Silene armeria L.	Sweet William Catchfly	IR	A rare garden escape. Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990).					SE2	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Silene coronaria (L.) Clairville	Rose Campion	IR	Rare garden escape. Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990). = Lychnis coronaria.	I	I			SE3	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Silene csereii Baumg.	Balkan Catchfly	IR	Rare weed. QEW highway, ca. 5 km N of Stevensville, M.J. Oldham #23489 (TRT) in 2000.	I				SE4	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Silene dioica (L.) Clairv.	Red Campion	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. Niagara Parks System (as <i>L. diurna</i>), Cameron (1895). " has been reported as occurring in the Parks System, but has not been found in recent years" (Hamilton 1943). M.J. Oldham #23279 (WAT, det. J.K. Morton) from Marcy's Woods in 2000.					SE1	CARYOPHYLLACEAE

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Silene latifolia Poiret	White Cockle	IR	Queen Victoria Park (as L. vespertina), Panton (1890). Ontario, Niagara Parks System (as L. vespertina), Cameron (1895). " grows in clumps along the roadways and in the fields," Hamilton (1943). Point Abino (Macdonald 1990). = Lychnis alba, Silene alba, S. pratensis.	I	I			SE5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Silene noctiflora L.	Night-flowering Catchfly	IR	Niagara, W. J. Potter, 1908 (2148), Heimburger (1955). Dufferin Islands, Hamilton, July 31, 1943 (NFO) (Eckel 2001). Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990)	I	I			SE5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Silene vulgaris (Moench) Garcke	Bladder Campion	IC	Pt. Abino Peninsula, Macdonald 1990. = <i>Silene cucubalis</i> .	I	I			SE5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Silphium laciniatum L. var. laciniatum	Compass Plant	IR	Rare weed. Fort Erie railway yard, M.J. Oldham #18176 (MICH) in 1995.					S1	ASTERACEAE
Silphium perfoliatum L. var. perfoliatum	Cup Plant	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. A.C. Garofalo (photo) from Short Hills Sanctuary in 2008.					S2	ASTERACEAE
Sinapis alba L.	White Mustard	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #35273 (HAM) from Port Colborne in 2008.					SE2	BRASSICACEAE
Sinapis arvensis L.	Charlock	IR	M.J. Oldham #34294 (DAO) from Port Colborne in 2007. = <i>Brassica kaber</i> .	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Sisymbrium altissimum L.	Tumble Mustard	IR	Pt. Abino Peninsula, Macdonald 1990. M.J. Oldham #35270 (NHIC) from Port Colborne in 2008.	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Sisymbrium loeselii L.	False London Rocket	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #34345 (DAO) from Port Colborne in 2007.	I				SE2	BRASSICACEAE
Sisymbrium officinale (L.) Scop.	Hedge Mustard	IR	M.J. Oldham #32695 (DAO) from Paradise Grove in 2006	I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Sisyrinchium angustifolium Miller	Narrow-leaved Blue- eyed Grass	U	M.J. Oldham #32684 (DAO) from Paradise Grove in 2006. = Sisyrinchium graminoides.					S4	IRIDACEAE
Sisyrinchium montanum E. Greene	Little Blue-eyed Grass	С		С	С			S5	IRIDACEAE
Sisyrinchium mucronatum Michaux	Blue-eyed Grass	R	Rare on limestone Lake Erie shoreline sites. M.J. Oldham #32721 (NHIC) from Windmill Point in 2006.					S4S5	IRIDACEAE

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Sium suave Walter	Water-parsnip	С		С	U			S5	APIACEAE
SMILACINA	see		MAIANTHEMUM						CONVALLARIACEAE
Smilax herbacea L.	Carrion-flower	С	Some reports (e.g. NAI database) may refer to the similar <i>S. lasioneura</i> .	С	С			S4	SMILACACEAE
Smilax hispida Muhlenb. ex Torrey	Bristly Greenbrier	С	Common. = Smilax tamnoides var. hispida.	C	С			S4	SMILACACEAE
Smilax lasioneura Hook.	Carrion-flower	U	Local status poorly known due to confusion with <i>S. herbacea.</i> = <i>Smilax herbacea</i> var. <i>lasioneura</i> .	R1	VU			S4	SMILACACEAE
Smilax rotundifolia L.	Round-leaved Greenbrier	R	Rare in sandy woods. P.G. O'Hara (HAM) from City of Niagara Falls in 2002. See COSEWIC (2007b).		R	THR	THR	S2	SMILACACEAE
Solanum caroliniense L.	Horse-nettle	IR	M.J. Oldham #34984 (DAO) from Forks Creek Woodlot in 2007.		VU			SE3	SOLANACEAE
Solanum dulcamara L.	Climbing Nightshade	IC		I	I			SE5	SOLANACEAE
Solanum lycopersicum L.	Tomato	IR	Non-persistent weed. "Although this plant will not be persistent, the frequency of hiker's and fishermen and their lunches may insure future finds in this area [Niagara Falls]." (Eckel 2001). = Lycopersicon esculentum.					SE1	SOLANACEAE
Solanum ptycanthum Dunal ex DC.	Eastern Black Nightshade	U	A weed of disturbed ground. Most or all local reports of <i>S. nigrum</i> refer to this species.	С	С			S5	SOLANACEAE
Solanum rostratum Dunal	Buffalo Bur	IH	Historic reports only: Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " occasionally, in the fields and gardens of the Parks" (Hamilton 1943).					SE1	SOLANACEAE
SOLIDAGO	see also		EUTHAMIA						ASTERACEAE
Solidago altissima L. ssp. altissima	Late Goldenrod	С		С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE

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Solidago arguta Aiton ssp. arguta	Sharp-leaved Goldenrod	R	Dry, open woods. "Chippawa (Macoun on the authority of Dr. Maclagan)," Day (1888). Queenston, Wm. Scott, Aug. 20, 1897 [Ontario] Niagara, W. J. Potter, 1908 (TRT), Heimburger (1955). "Niagara gorge at the Whirlpool" (Zenkert 1934). Reported from Point Abino, though not seen there recently (Macdonald 1990). S. Varga #86-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Provincial Park in 1993.	R4	R1			S 3	ASTERACEAE
Solidago bicolor L.	Silverrod	U	M.J. Oldham #18149 (WAT) from Four Mile Pond near Niagara-on-the-Lake in 1995.	U9	U			S4?	ASTERACEAE
Solidago caesia L. var. caesia	Blue-stem Goldenrod	С	Woods.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Solidago canadensis L.	Canada Goldenrod	С	Both var. canadensis and var. hargeri are mapped from Niagara by Semple et al. (1999), though the relative distribution and status of each in the region is poorly known.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Solidago flexicaulis L.	Zig-zag Goldenrod	С	Shaded woods, often in calcareous areas.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Solidago gigantea Aiton	Tall Goldenrod	С		С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Solidago hispida Muhlenb.	Hairy Goldenrod	R	Ontario: one mile south of Queenston, high land, Miller (TRT), Sept. 24, 1952; Whirlpool, Wm. Scott, Sept. 3, 1898, Heimburger (1955). Not seen at the Niagara Gorge ANSI since 1952 (includes Glen and Whirlpool) (Riley et al. 1996, Oldham 2007).	R5	U			85	ASTERACEAE
Solidago juncea Aiton	Early Goldenrod	С	Dry, open areas.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Solidago nemoralis Aiton ssp. nemoralis	Gray Goldenrod	С		С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Solidago ohioensis Riddell	Ohio Goldenrod	RH	Collected from Point Abino by A.W. Miller #803 (HAM) in 1948 (Macdonald 1990); not seen in the Region since.		R3			S4	ASTERACEAE
Solidago patula Muhlenb. ex Willd. ssp. patula	Rough-leaved Goldenrod	R	Rare; swamps. A.C. Garofalo #08- 1068 (HAM) from Short Hills, Pelham Twp., in 1008.	С	C			S5	ASTERACEAE

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Solidago ptarmicoides (Nees) B. Boivin	Upland White Goldenrod	R	Rare on limeston in the Niagara Glen and Whirlpool area (BUF; Eckel 2001) where seen as recently as 2006 (M.J. Oldham). = Aster ptarmicoides, Solidago asteroides.	R1	R1			S5	ASTERACEAE
Solidago rigida L. ssp. rigida	Stiff Goldenrod	IH	Although mapped as a native occurrence by Argus et al. (1982-1987), the sole Niagara record (W.L. Putnam, DAO, in 1978) was collected along a railway in the Town of Lincoln where it is more likely to have been introduced.	R2				S3	ASTERACEAE
Solidago rugosa Aiton ssp. aspera (Aiton) Cronquist	Rough Goldenrod	С		С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Solidago sempervirens L. ssp. sempervirens	Seaside Goldenrod	IR	Rare roadside halophytic weed. M.J. Oldham #33951 (WAT) from Hwy. 405 in 2006.	I				SE2	ASTERACEAE
Solidago squarrosa Muhlenb. ex Nutt.	Stout Goldenrod	R	Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). "Niagara Glen," Hamilton (1943). Dufferin Islands, Henderson, Aug. 27, 1966 (NFO). Just north of Niagara Glen in 1989 (Ontario Hydro 1990, in Varga and Kor 1993).	RH				S5	ASTERACEAE
Solidago uliginosa Nutt.	Bog Goldenrod	RH	"Steep gravelly banks. Niagara Falls. (Burgess.)" Macoun (1884). Ontario: Niagara, T. J. W. Burgess, Aug. 21, 1879 (TRT), Heimburger (1955). Niagara Parks System (as S. neglecta), Cameron (1895). (as S. uniligulata var. neglecta), "Ontario: Niagara River at the Glen (Johnson)" Zenkert (1934). (As S. uniligulata), " swampy places along the Niagara River," Hamilton (1943). No recent records.	R4				S5	ASTERACEAE
Sonchus arvensis L. ssp. arvensis	Perennial Sow-thistle	IC		I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Sonchus arvensis L. ssp. uliginosus (Bieb.) Nyman	Sow-thistle	IR	M.J. Oldham #34729 (TRTE) from Dufferin Islands in 2007. = Sonchus uliginosus.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Sonchus asper (L.) Hill ssp. asper	Spiny-leaved Sow- thistle	IC		I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE

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Sonchus oleraceus L.	Annual Sow-thistle	IU		I				SE5	ASTERACEAE
Sorbaria sorbifolia (L.) A. Braun	False Spiraea	IR	Rare garden escape. A. Garofalo #08-1072 (HAM) from Short Hills in 2008.		I			SE3	ROSACEAE
Sorbus americana Marshall	American Mountain- ash	RH	Historical reports only: Niagara Parks System (as Pyrus americana), Cameron (1895). " a few trees occur near the Whirlpool," Hamilton (1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, 1891 (NFO). Mapped from the Niagara River area by Soper and Heimburger (1982).					85	ROSACEAE
Sorbus aria (L.) Crantz	European Beam Tree	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. J. Jalava #316-93 (TRT) from Queenston Escarpment ANSI in 1993. Perhaps Sorbus intermedia rather than S. aria.					SE1	ROSACEAE
Sorbus aucuparia L.	European Mountain- ash	IC		I				SE4	ROSACEAE
Sorghastrum nutans (L.) Nash	Indian Grass	R	Known from the Niagara River area since the late 1880s and seen at the Whirlpool as recently as 2006 (Oldham 2007). Point Abino (BUF; Macdonald 1990).	R4	U			S4	POACEAE
Sparganium americanum Nutt.	American Bur-reed	R	Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890, as S. simplex) Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895, as S. simplex) " grows at Dufferin Islands" (Hamilton 1943).	R4	R3			S4?	ТҮРНАСЕАЕ
Sparganium androcladum (Engelm.) Morong	Branching Bur-reed	RH	W.L. Putnam #123 (DAO, det. V.L. Harms) from Chippewa Creek Conservation Area in 1973 (ARVPO database).					S1	ТҮРНАСЕАЕ
Sparganium eurycarpum Engelm. ex A. Gray	Giant Bur-reed	С		С	С			S5	ТҮРНАСЕАЕ
Spartina pectinata Link	Tall Cord Grass	R	Rare, shorlines and sometimes in open disturbed ground. C.J. Rothfels #1459 (HAM) from Navy Island in 2004.	R3	R2			S4	POACEAE
SPECULARIA	see		TRIODANIS				·		CAMPANULACEAE

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Spergularia media (L.) C. Presl ex Griseb.	Sand-spurrey	IR	A halophytic weed of disturbed saline habitats, particularly roadside ditches. M.J. Oldham #32970 (MICH) from the Whirlpool (roadside) in 2006.	I				SE3	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Spergularia rubra (L.) J.& K. Presl	Purple Sand-spurrey	IR	A.C. Garofalo #08-849 (HAM) from McKenny Road Woods in 2008.	I				SE3?	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Spergularia salina J. & K. Presl.	Saltmarsh Sand- spurrey	IR	A halophytic weed of disturbed saline habitats, particularly roadside ditches. M.J. Oldham #32969 (MICH) from the Whirlpool (roadside) in 2006. = Spergularia marina.	I				SH	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Sphenopholis intermedia (Rydb.) Rydb.	Slender Wedge Grass	С		С	С			S4S5	POACEAE
Sphenopholis nitida (Biehler) Scribner	Wedge Grass	RH	near Niagara Falls, in woods, J. Macoun (CAN) in 1892 (ARVPO database).	RH	RH			S1	POACEAE
Spiraea alba Duroi	Meadow-sweet	С		С	С			S5	ROSACEAE
Spiraea latifolia (Ait.) Borkh.	Broad-leaved Meadow-sweet	RH	Mapped from the vicinity of the Niagara River by Soper and Heimburger (1982). Rare in southwestern Ontario. Often included in S. alba. = Spiraea alba var. latifolia.	?	?			S5	ROSACEAE
Spiraea prunifolia Siebold & Zucc.	Spiraea	IH	Reported from Niagara by Riley et al. (1996) based on Heimburger (1955).					SE1	ROSACEAE
Spiranthes cernua (L.) Rich.	Nodding Ladies'- tresses	R	"In the same places as <i>S. latifolia</i> : wet places near Clifton, Ontario," Day (1888). Ontario, Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " have not been recently observed (Parks, Ontario)," Hamilton (1943). Wainfleet Bog though not seen by Macdonald (1992). Point Abino (BUF; Macdonald 1990).	U10	C			85	ORCHIDACEAE

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Spiranthes lacera (Raf.) Raf. var. gracilis (Bigelow) Luer	Southern Slender Ladies'-tresses	R	"The variety gracilis is rare throughout Ontario, the station at Paradise Grove being the only one presently known in the province, although it was once found in Elgin, Kent and Lambton Counties" (McIntosh and Catling 1979). Photographed by P.M. Catling in 1980 (TRT) at Paradise Grove and not recorded since. = Spiranthes gracilis.		RH			S1	ORCHIDACEAE
Spiranthes lucida (H. Eaton) Ames	Shining Ladies'- tresses	R	Rare, mainly on the Lake Erie shoreline, but also seepages of the Niagara River Whirlpool. M.J. Oldham #32717 (NHIC) from Windmill Point in 2006.	R2	VU			S4	ORCHIDACEAE
Spiranthes magnicamporum Sheviak	Great Plains Ladies'-tresses	R	Reported from Sir Adam Beck complex (Gregory 2003a) and Welland River and Power Canal (Gregory 2005a), near Niagara Falls, with supporting specimens at TRTE.		R1			S3?	ORCHIDACEAE
Spiranthes ochroleuca (Rydb.) Rydb.	Yellow Ladies'- tresses	R	Collected by B. Miller (HAM) from Fort Erie in 1948 and from near Fenwick by P.M. Catling (TRT) in 1978 (ARVPO, Argus et al. 1982- 1987).		R2			S2	ORCHIDACEAE
Spiranthes romanzoffiana Cham.	Hooded Ladies'- tresses	RH	Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca. 1890] (NFO). Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " have not been recently observed (Parks, Ontario)," Hamilton (1943). No recent reports.	R2	R2			S5	ORCHIDACEAE
Spirodela polyrhiza (L.) Schleiden	Greater Duckweed	R	Rare; wetlands. M.J. Oldham #25297 (MICH) from Wainfleet Bog in 2001.	С	U			S5	ARACEAE
Sporobolus compositus (Poir.) Merr.	Rough Dropseed	R	Rare and apparently native in Niagara Glen - Whirlpool area (M.J. Oldham #33835, DAO, from the Whirlpool in 2006), also an occasional weed along roadsides. = Sporobolus asper.		I			S4	POACEAE
Sporobolus cryptandrus (Torrey) A. Gray	Sand Dropseed	U	A grass of dry, often sandy ground. Found in sandy areas along Lake Erie, and along sandy roadsides and railways.	R5	С			S4	POACEAE

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Sporobolus neglectus Nash	Overlooked Dropseed	R	An inconspicuous grass of roadsides and dry open areas. Probably much overlooked. Frequently grows with S. vaginiflorus, which appears to be more common in our area. Montrose Railway Yard, Niagara Falls, M.J. Oldham #18153 (DAO) in 1995.	C	VU			S4	POACEAE
Sporobolus vaginiflorus (Torrey ex A. Gray) Torrey ex A. Wood	Ensheathed Dropseed	U	An inconspicuous grass of roadsides and dry open areas. Probably much overlooked. M.J. Oldham #33838 (DAO) from the Niagara River Whirlpool in 2006.	С	С			S4	POACEAE
Stachys byzantina K. Koch	Wooly Hedge-nettle	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. M.J. Oldham #32914 (NHIC) from Niagara Parkway near Niagara Gorge in 2006.					SE1	LAMIACEAE
Stachys palustris L.	Marsh Hedge-nettle	IH	Niagara Parks System (Cameron 1895). Ontario: Niagara, W. J. Potter, 1908, Heimburger (1955). " very rare plant in this locality; a few specimens have been located at Fort Erie" (Hamilton 1943).	I	I			SE5	LAMIACEAE
Stachys tenuifolia Willd.	Rough Hedge-nettle	R	Navy Island, wet island borders, N & NE shores, Eckel, July 28, 1998 (BUF) (Eckel 2001). Ontario: Navy Island, Wm. Scott, July 10, 1897; Niagara Falls, W.C. McCalla, July 21, 1897, Heimburger (1955). = Stachys hispida.	R2	U			S4S5	LAMIACEAE
Staphylea trifolia L.	Bladdernut	U	Uncommon, only frequent along the Niagara Escarpment and on forested sand dunes.	С	С			S4	STAPHYLEACEAE
Stellaria graminea L.	Grass-leaved Stitchwort	IU		I	I			SE5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Stellaria longifolia Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Long-leaved Chickweed	С		С	С			S5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Stellaria longipes Goldie	Stitchwort	RH	Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). Parks, Ontario, Hamilton (1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca. 1890] (NFO) (Eckel 2001).	R1	R1			S5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Stellaria media (L.) Villars	Common Chickweed	IC		I	I			SE5	CARYOPHYLLACEAE

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Stellaria pallida (Dumort.) Crepin	Lesser Chickweed	IR	Rare weed. Similar to <i>S. media</i> and easily overlooked. M.J. Oldham #32368 (MICH, WAT) from Niagara Glen in 2006.					SE1	CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Streptopus lanceolatus (Aiton) Reveal	Rose Twisted-stalk	RH	Early report only: Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). = Streptopus roseus.	С	U			S5	CONVALLARIACEAE
Strophostyles helvula (L.) Elliott	Trailing Wild Bean	R	Sandy shoreline sites on Lake Erie and Lake Ontario. Four Mile Pond, west of Niagara-on-the-Lake, M.J. Oldham #18134 (TRTE) in 1995.	RH	U			S4	FABACEAE
Stuckenia filiformis Pers.	Filiform Pondweed	RH	Early reports from the Niagara River area (Eckel 2001); no recent records. = Potamogeton filiformis.		R1			S5	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Stuckenia pectinata L.	Sago Pondweed	R	Reported from Fifteen-Sixteen Mile Creek Valleys ANSI (Jalava et al. 1992; J. Jalava #91-62, TRT, in 1991), Jordan Valley ANSI (Schaefer et al. 1992; S. Varga #91-616, TRT, in 1991), and the Niagara River area (Eckel 2001). = Potamogeton pectinatus.	С	C			S5	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Suaeda calceoliformis (Hook.) Moq.	Sea-blite	IR	Rare halophyte of salted roadsides. M.J. Oldham #23212 (DAO, MICH, TRT) from near Niagara Falls in 1999.	I				S2	AMARANTHACEAE
SWERTIA	see		FRASERA						GENTIANACEAE
Symphoricarpos albus (L.) S.F. Blake	Snowberry	U	Most common on dry sites on the Niagara Escarpment.	С	U			S5	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Symphoricarpos orbiculatus Moench	Coralberry	IH	A rare escape from cultivation. Niagara Parks System (as <i>S. vulgaris</i>), Cameron (1895). "Dufferin Islands," sight record, Yaki (1970).		I			SE1	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Symphyotrichum ciliolatus (Lindl.) Löve & Löve	Rayless Annual Aster	IR	An uncommon halophytic weed of highway ditches. Probably increasing in our area. Montrose Railway Yard, Niagara Falls, M.J. Oldham #18151 (WAT) in 1995. = Aster brachyactis, Brachyactis ciliata.	I				S3?	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum cordifolium (L.) Nesom	Heart-leaved Aster	С	Common in upland woods. = Aster cordifolius.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE

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Symphyotrichum dumosum (L.) Nesom	Bushy Aster	R	Mapped from two Niagara sites by Semple et al. (2002), though not mapped from the region by Argus et al. (1982-1987). = Aster dumosus.	1	R1			S2	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum ericoides (L.) Nesom ssp. ericoides	Heath Aster	С	Common. = Aster ericoides, Virgulus ericoides.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum firmum (Nees) Nesom	Glossy-leaved Aster	DD	Locally status poorly known due to confusion with <i>S. puniceum</i> . M.J. Oldham #33896 (WAT) from Dufferin Islands in 2006. = <i>Aster firmus</i> , <i>A. puniceus</i> var. <i>firmus</i> .	1	?			S4?	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum laeve (L.) Löve & Löve	Smooth Aster	U	Largely restricted to sandy dry sites and Niagara Escarpment and Gorge rim = Aster laevis.	С	U			S5	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum lanceolatum (Willd.) Nesom	Panicled Aster	С	Vars. lanceolatum, interior, and latifolium mapped from Niagara by Semple et al. (2002). = Aster lanceolatus, A. simplex.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum lateriflorum (L.) Löve & Löve	Calico Aster	С	Var. <i>lateriflorum</i> is mapped from Niagara by Semplet et al. (2002), though no varieties are recognized in FNA. = <i>Aster lateriflorus</i> , <i>A. vimineus</i> .	C	С			S 5	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum novae- angliae (L.) Nesom	New England Aster	С	Common. = Aster novae-angliae, Virgulus novae-angliae.	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum ontarionis (Wieg.) Nesom var. ontarionis	Ontario Aster	R	Reported from Niagara Gorge (as Aster ontarionis; TRT) by Varga and Kor (1993). Var. ontarionis is mapped from the Niagara River area by Semple et al. (2002). = Aster ontarionis var. ontarionis.	ŀ				S4	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum oolentangiense (Riddell) Nesom	Azure Aster	R	Mapped from Niagara by Semple et al. (2002). Reported from Sir Adam Beck complex by Gregory (2003a) = Aster azureus, A. oolentangiensis.	C	U			S4	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum pilosum (Willd.) Nesom var. pilosum	Hairy Aster	С	Common. = Aster pilosus var. pilosus.	С	U			S5	ASTERACEAE

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Symphyotrichum pilosum (Willd.) Nesom var. pringlei (A. Gray) Nesom	Pringle's Aster	R	Moist calcareous shores (e.g. Point Abino, Macdonald 1990). M.J. Oldham #35965 (WAT) from Fort Erie in 2007. = Aster pilosus var. pringlei.					S4	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum puniceum (L.) Löve & Löve	Purple-stemmed Aster	С	A locally common wetland species. Local status poorly known due to confusion with <i>S. firmum.</i> = <i>Aster puniceus</i> .	С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum subulatum (Michaux) Nesom	Annual Salt-marsh Aster	IR	Rare halophyte of salted roadsides. M.J. Oldham #33945 (WAT) from Portage Road near Niagara Falls in 2006. = Aster subulatus.					SE2	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum urophyllum (Lindl. in DC.) Nesom	Arrow-leaved Aster	U	Mapped from several Niagara sites by Semple et al. (2002). = Aster sagittifolius, A. urophyllus.	С	С			S4	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum x amethystinum (Nutt.) Nesom	(A. ericoides X A. novae-angliae)	hyb	A rare hybrid between two common asters in our area. M.J. Oldham #33989 (WAT) from Niagara Parkway in 2006. = Aster x amethystinus.	hyb	R			S3?	ASTERACEAE
Symphytum officinale L. ssp. officinale	Common Comfrey	IR	Rare weed. Pt. Abino Peninsula, Macdonald 1990	I	I			SE5	BORAGINACEAE
Symplocarpus foetidus (L.) Salisb. ex Barton	Skunk-cabbage	С	Largely absent from the Haldimand Clay Plain.	С	С			S5	ARACEAE
Syringa vulgaris L.	Common Lilac	IC		I	I			SE5	OLEACEAE
Taenidia integerrima (L.) Drude	Yellow-pimpernel	R	Rare in open woods. R. Kitchen #08- 28 (HAM) from West Lincoln Township in 2008.	U9	U			S4	APIACEAE
Tanacetum parthenium (L.) Schultz-Bip.	Fever-few	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #34347 (DAO) from Port Colborne in 2007. = Chrysanthemum parthenium.					SE2	ASTERACEAE

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Tanacetum vulgare L.	Tansy	IR	Rare weed. "Near the Cantilever Bridge on the Canadian side," Day (1888). Ontario, Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " several patches of this species along the Boulevard," Hamilton (1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, 1891 (NFO); Hydro Property near School of Horticulture, Powers, Sept. 1970's (NFO).	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Taraxacum erythrospermum Andrz. ex Besser	Red-seeded Dandelion	IR	Rare weed. = Taraxacum laevigatum.	Ι	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Taraxacum officinale G. Weber	Common Dandelion	IC		I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Taraxacum palustre (Lyons) DC.	Marsh Dandelion	IR	A weed of ditches and other open, moist often calcareous areas. Appears to be spreading in southern Ontario. M.J. Oldham #32348 (TRT) from Niagara Parkway in 2006	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Tarenaya hassleriana (Chodat) H.H. Iltis	Spider Flower	IR	Rare escape from cultivation. A.C. Garofalo #07-669 (HAM) from near Willoughby Marsh in 2007. = Cleome hassleriana.	I				SE1	CLEOMACEAE
Taxus canadensis Marshall	Canada Yew	U	Generally common in woodlands though declining in parts of southwestern Ontario due to heavy browsing by White-tailed Deer.	С	VU			S5	TAXACEAE
Teucrium canadense L. ssp. canadense	Wild Germander	R	C.J. Rothfels #1465 (HAM) from Navy Island in 2004.	U6	U			S5?	LAMIACEAE
Teucrium canadense L. ssp. occidentale (Bickn.) Shinners	American Germander	RH	(var. occidentale (Gray) McClint. & Epl.) Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). (as <i>T. occidentale</i>) "common along the Upper Niagara River and at Navy Island occupying the same habitat (as var. canadense)" Hamilton (1943).	R1				SU	LAMIACEAE
Thalictrum dioicum L.	Early Meadow-rue	С		С	С			S5	RANUNCULACEAE
Thalictrum pubescens Pursh	Tall Meadow-rue	С	= Thalictrum polygamum.	C	C			S5	RANUNCULACEAE

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Thalictrum revolutum DC.	Skunk Meadow-rue	RH	"near Drummondsville, Niagara Falls (Macoun)" Day (1888). J. Smith #2085 (OAC) from Jordan Station in 1937 (ARVPO database).		R4			S2	RANUNCULACEAE
Thalictrum thalictroides (L.) Eames & B. Bo	Rue-anemone	R	A rich woodland spring wildflower, of rich floodplain woods and mesic to dry-mesic upland woods. M.J. Oldham #32346 (DAO) from Niagara Parkway south of Niagara-on-the-Lake in 2006 = Anemonella thalictroides.	R2	U			83	RANUNCULACEAE
Thaspium barbinode (Michaux) Nutt.	Hairy-jointed Meadow Parsnip	RH	Very rare plant of woodlands and thickets. Historical records from the Niagara River area, e.g. "prevalent in the Niagara Glen" (Hamilton 1943, Eckel 2001). Most recently collected at Point Abino by M. Landon (OAC) in 1951 (ARVPO database).		ŀ			SH	APIACEAE
Thaspium trifoliatum (L.) A. Gray var. aureum Britt.	Meadow Parsnip	RH	Queen Victoria Park (as <i>Thaspium aureum</i>), Panton (1890). "Niagara Gorge," both sides, Field Club, 1894. Niagara Parks System (Cameron 1895, as <i>T. aureum</i>). No Niagara specimens located by Argus et al. (1982-1987)					S2	APIACEAE
THELYPTERIS	see also		PHEGOPTERIS						THELYPTERIDACEAE
Thelypteris noveboracensis (L.) Nieuwl.	New York Fern	С		С	С			S4S5	THELYPTERIDACEAE
Thelypteris palustris Schott var. pubescens (Lawson) Fern.	Marsh Fern	С		С	С			S5	THELYPTERIDACEAE
Thinopyrum ponticum (Podp.) Z.W. Liu & R.RC. Wang	Tall Wheatgrass	IR	QEW Highway at Hwy. 47, southwest of Chippawa, M.J. Oldham #8048 (DAO) in 1988 (Oldham et al. 1995). = Agropyron elongatum, Elymus elongatus ssp. ponticus.					SE2	POACEAE
Thlaspi arvense L.	Penny Cress	IC		I	I			SE5	BRASSICACEAE
Thuja occidentalis L.	White Cedar	U	Confined to the Niagara Escarpment cliffs and talus.	С	С			S5	CUPRESSACEAE

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Thymelaea passerina (L.) Coss. & Germ.	Thymelaea	IR	Rare weed. Reported from Sir Adam Beck complex and Welland River area by Gregory (2003a, 2005a; TRTE). Montrose Railway Yard, Niagara Falls, M.J. Oldham #18146 (DAO, MICH, TRTE) in 1995. Not listed for Ontario by Morton and Venn (1990).					SE1	THYMELAEACEAE
Tiarella cordifolia L.	Foamflower	С		С	С			S5	SAXIFRAGACEAE
Tilia americana L.	Basswood	С		С	С			S5	MALVACEAE
Tilia cordata Miller	Linden	IH	Rare weed. Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). "Dufferin Islands," sight record, Yaki (1970).	I				SE1	MALVACEAE
TOFIELDIA	see		TRIANTHA						MELANTHIACEAE
Torilis japonica (Houtt.) DC.	Hedge Parsley	IR	A. Garofalo #08-1012 (HAM) from Coyle Creek Headwaters in 2008.	I	I			SE4	APIACEAE
Torreyochloa pallida (Torrey) Church var. pallida	Torrey's Manna Grass	RH	Wainfleet Bog, where collected by H. and R. Axtell in 1967 (BUF) and not seen since (Macdonald 1992).	R1	R1			S2S3	POACEAE
Toxicodendron radicans (L.) Kuntze ssp. negundo (Greene) Gillis	Climbing Poison-ivy	С	A climbing vine of woodlands. = Rhus radicans ssp. negundo, Toxicodendron radicans ssp. negundo.	С	С			S5	ANACARDIACEAE
Toxicodendron rydbergii (Rydb.) Greene	Rydberg's Poison-ivy	С	A trailing vine or small shrub, common in thickets, woodland borders and openings. = Rhus radicans ssp. rydbergii, Rhus rydbergii, Toxicodendron radicans ssp. rydbergii.	С	С			S5	ANACARDIACEAE
Toxicodendron vernix (L.) Kuntze	Poison Sumac	R	Rare in swampy woods. More common in adjacent Haldimand County. = Rhus toxicodendron.	R3	C			S4	ANACARDIACEAE
Tragopogon dubius Scop.	Goat's-beard	IU	= Tragopogon major.	I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Tragopogon porrifolius L.	Common Salsify	IR	M.J. Oldham #35295 (MICH) from Port Colborne in 2008. An apparent hybrid with <i>T. pratensis</i> was also collected at Port Colborne (M.J. Oldham #35994, MICH) growing with the putative parents.	I	I			SE4?	ASTERACEAE
Tragopogon pratensis L. ssp. pratensis	Yellow Goat's-beard	IC		I				SE5	ASTERACEAE

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Triadenum fraseri (Spach) Gleason	Marsh St. John's-wort	U	Unommon in wetlands. = Hypericum fraseri, Triadenum virginicum ssp. fraseri.	R5	С			S5	HYPERICACEAE
Triadenum virginicum (L.) Raf.	Marsh St. John's- wort	R	Collected by I.D. Macdonald (BUF) from Wainfleet Bog in 1989 (Macdonald 1992) and seen in the bog recently by Mark Browning (pers. comm. 2010). = Hypericum virginicum.					S 3	HYPERICACEAE
Triantha glutinosa (Michaux) Baker	False Asphodel	RH	" only a very few specimens have been observed at Dufferin Islands," Hamilton (1943). = Tofieldia glutinosa.		R1			S4?	MELANTHIACEAE
Trichostema brachiatum L.	False Pennyroyal	R	Known from an alvar near Marcy's Woods (M.J. Oldham #23157, MICH, in 1999), an abandoned quarry at Wainfleet Wetlands Conservation Area (M. Browning pers. comm. 2010), and disturbed gravel in a railway yard in Niagara Falls (M.J. Oldham #18208, DAO, MICH, TRT, in 1995). = Isanthus brachiatus.	U10	R1			S4	LAMIACEAE
Tridens flavus (L.) A. Hitchc.	Purpletop	IR	Montrose Railway Yard, Niagara Falls, Catling and McIntosh (CAN, DAO, TRT) in 1976 (Catling et al. 1977); still present in 1995 (M.J. Oldham #18158, DAO). Disturbed open sandy ground at Crystal Beach near Fort Erie (M.J. Oldham #33998, DAO, in 2006).		I			SE1	POACEAE
Trientalis borealis Raf. ssp. borealis	Starflower	С		С	С			S5	MYRSINACEAE
Trifolium arvense L.	Rabbit-foot Clover	IR	A rare weed of sandy, open, disturbed ground. S. Varga #461-93 (TRT) from St.Davids Burried Gorge ANSI in 1993.	I	I			SE4	FABACEAE
Trifolium aureum Pollich	Hop Clover	IR		I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Trifolium campestre Schreber	Low Hop Clover	IR	= Trifolium procumbens.	I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Trifolium dubium Sibth.	Small Clover	IR	M.J. Oldham #32576 from the Whirlpool in 2006.		I			SE4	FABACEAE

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Trifolium hybridum L. ssp. elegans (Savi) Aschers. & Graebner	Alsike Clover	IC		I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Trifolium incarnatum L.	Crimson Clover	IH	Queenston, Wm. Scott, May 28, 1898, Heimburger (1955).					SEH	FABACEAE
Trifolium pratense L.	Red Clover	IC		I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Trifolium repens L.	White Clover	IC		I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Triglochin maritima L.	Arrow-grass	IR	Collected from a moist, saline roadside ditch at St. Catherines (M.J. Oldham #32436, MICH, TRT, in 2006), where presumably non-native.		VU			S5	JUNCAGINACEAE
Triglochin palustris L.	Marsh Arrow-grass	R	Early records from the Niagara River, though not seen in the area recently. "Wet ground above Clifton, Ontario. Of unusual size" Day (1888). Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca.1890] (NFO). M.J. Oldham #23190 (MICH) from Wainfleet Wetlands in 1999.		VU			S5	JUNCAGINACEAE
Trillium erectum L.	Red Trillium	С	Common in woodlands. White-flowered plants are occasionally found.	С	С			S5	TRILLIACEAE
Trillium flexipes Raf.	Bent Trillium	RH	A 1950 collection (J.K. Shields #4393, TRT) from "rocky woods", Niagara Glen, is mapped by Argus et al. (1982-1987), although the specimen "shows some evidence of past introgression with <i>T. erectum</i> [Red Trillium]". Not refound in 1989 or 2006 surveys, despite exhaustive spring searching through suitable habitat (Varga and Kor 1993, Oldham 2007).			END	END	S1	TRILLIACEAE
Trillium grandiflorum (Michaux) Salisb.	White Trillium	С		С	С			S5	TRILLIACEAE
Trillium undulatum Willd.	Painted Trillium	RH	"occasionally found in the area [Niagara Parks]" (Hamilton 1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca.1890] (NFO) (Eckel 2001).		R1			S5?	TRILLIACEAE

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Triodanis perfoliata (L.) Nieuwl.	Venus' Looking- glass	RH	Formerly "infrequently found in open woodlands of the Niagara Parks System" (Hamilton 1943), though not seen in the area since (Varga and Kor 1993, Oldham 2007). Point Abino (TRT; Macdonald 1990). Mapped from two sites along the Niagara River by Cody (1982). = Specularia perfoliata.		R3			S4	CAMPANULACEAE
Triosteum aurantiacum E. Bickn.	Horse-gentian	U	Largely restricted to sites with calcareous bedrock. = Triosteum perfoliatum var. aurantiacum.	С	U			S5	CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Triplasis purpurea (Walter) Chapman	Sand Grass	R	Mapped from Niagara-on-the-Lake by Dore and McNeill (1980). Historically known from Point Abino (A.W. Miller, HAM, TRT, in 1948), though not seen there recently (Macdonald 1990). Recent records only from sandy shoreline sites along Lake Erie. M.J. Oldham #7834 (DAO) from Sherkston Beach in 1987.	R1	R1			S4?	POACEAE
Tripleurospermum inodorum (L.) Schultz-Bip.	Scentless False Mayweed	IR	Rare weed. M.J. Oldham #33825a (DAO) from Niagara Parkway in 2006. = Matricaria inodora, Matricaria perforata.	I				SE3?	ASTERACEAE
Triticum aestivum L.	Cultivated Wheat	IR	M.J. Oldham #34355 (DAO) from along railway tracks in Port Colborne in 2007; probably an ephemeral weed from spilled grain.	I				SE1	POACEAE
Tsuga canadensis (L.) Carriere	Eastern Hemlock	C		С	С			S5	PINACEAE
Turritis glabra L.	Tower Mustard	R	Several early literature reports (Day 1888, Panton 1890, Cameron 1895) and reported from the North Pelham Valley by Riley et al. (1996). = Arabis glabra.	R5	U			S5	BRASSICACEAE
Tussilago farfara L.	Coltsfoot	IC		I	I			SE5	ASTERACEAE
Typha angustifolia L.	Narrow-leaved Cattail	С	Generally considered native, although some authors suggest that it is introduced from Europe.	С	С			S5	ТҮРНАСЕАЕ
Typha latifolia L.	Common Cattail	C		C	C			S5	TYPHACEAE

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Typha x glauca Godron	(T. angustifolia X T. latifolia)	hyb	Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990).	С	С			S4?	ТҮРНАСЕАЕ
Ulmus americana L.	American Elm	C		C	C			S5	ULMACEAE
Ulmus glabra Hudson	Scotch Elm	IR	Near Frenchman's Creek, Fort Erie, M.J. Oldham #7844 (TRTE, det. P.W. Ball) in 1987.					SE1	ULMACEAE
Ulmus pumila L.	Siberian Elm	IU		I				SE3	ULMACEAE
Ulmus rubra Muhlenb.	Slippery Elm	U	Very uncommon to rare tree in Niagara. Strongly confined to the Niagara and Onondaga Escarpments (A.C. Garofalo pers. comm. 2010).	С	U			S5	ULMACEAE
Ulmus thomasii Sarg.	Rock Elm	R	Rare in woods, often floodplains, regenerating rocky fields, and hedgerows. Seldom common when found. Niagara Parks System (as <i>U. racemosa</i>), Cameron (1895). (As <i>U. racemosa</i>) "a newly felled tree, noticed near Fort Erie, Ont., April (1883)," Day (1883). " to be found in the Glen," Hamilton (1943). J. Jalava #91-122 (TRT) from 15 Mile Creek ANSI in 1991.	С	VU			S4?	ULMACEAE
Urtica dioica L. ssp. dioica	European Stinging Nettle	IR	"suprisingly abundant on a piece of old farmland at Navy Island, where nearly an acre of this plant may be seen. Isolated specimens have been observed in the woods to the rear of the greenhouses in Queen Victoria Park," Hamilton (1943). "Dufferin Islands," sight record, Yaki (1970).	I				SE2	URTICACEAE
Urtica dioica L. ssp. gracilis (Aiton) Selander	American Stinging Nettle	С	Common and widespread in moist, shaded woodlands and thickets. Frequently a dominant on wooded floodplains. = <i>Urtica gracilis</i> , <i>U. procera</i> .	С	С			S5	URTICACEAE

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Utricularia cornuta Michaux	Horned Bladderwort	RH	"Rather rare. Niagara Falls, Canadian side, Clinton," Day (1882). "Wet grounds near Clifton, Ontario. Not common now. 'Abundant on the Table Rock' (1818) Nuttall, Gen. Am. Pl., vol. 1, p. 14," Day (1888). Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). No recent records.		R1			85	LENTIBULARIACEAE
Utricularia gibba L.	Humped Bladderwort	RH	Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). Ontario: Queen Victoria Park, Wm. Scott, July 16 - , Heimburger (1955). Ontario, Parks, Hamilton (1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca.1890] (NFO). No recent reports.		R1			S4	LENTIBULARIACEAE
Utricularia vulgaris L.	Common Bladderwort	U	Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " occurs at a few places along the Niagara River," Hamilton (1943). Black Creek (Niagara River effluent). Amiel Chamot, June 1888 (BUF). = Utricularia macrorhiza.	U7	С			S 5	LENTIBULARIACEAE
Uvularia grandiflora Smith	Large-flowered Bellwort	С		С	U			S5	CONVALLARIACEAE
Uvularia perfoliata L.	Perfoliate Bellwort	R	Rare in woods. S. Varga #614-93 (TRT) from South Beamsville Slope ANSI in 1993.	RH	R1			S1	CONVALLARIACEAE
Uvularia sessilifolia L.	Merrybells	С		R3	U			S4	CONVALLARIACEAE
Vaccinium angustifolium Aiton	Lowbush Blueberry	U		C	C			S5	ERICACEAE
Vaccinium corymbosum L.	Highbush Blueberry	С		С	С			S4	ERICACEAE
Vaccinium macrocarpon Aiton	Large Cranberry	R	Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990). Recently observed at one location in Wainfleet Bog (M. Browning pers. comm. 2010).	R1	R1			S4S5	ERICACEAE
Vaccinium myrtilloides Michaux	Velvet-leaf Blueberry	R	Two Niagara Escarpment sites (Riley et al. 1996). A. Garofalo #08-788 (HAM) from Bayer's Creek Headwaters in 2008.	R1	U			S5	ERICACEAE

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Vaccinium oxycoccus L.	Small Cranberry	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992). J.D. Ambrose #3011 (TRT) from Wainfleet Bog in 1983. Seen recently in Wainfleet Bog by Mark Browning (pers. comm. 2010).	R3				S5	ERICACEAE
Vaccinium pallidum Aiton	Dryland Blueberry	U	Uncommon in dry upland woods. A.C. Garofalo #07-386 (HAM) from Young Woods in 2007. = Vaccinium vacillans.	С	С			S4	ERICACEAE
Vaccinium stamineum L.	Deerberry	R	Rare and declining in open woods in the Niagara Falls area. Perhaps now restricted to a single small population near the Whirlpool. M.J. Thompson (HAM) from Niagara Gorge in 2000.			THR	THR	S1	ERICACEAE
Valeriana officinalis L.	Common Valerian	IR	A. Garofalo #08-885 (HAM) from Welland River in 2008.	I	I			SE3	VALERIANACEAE
Valeriana uliginosa (Torrey & A. Gray) Rydb.	Marsh Valerian	RH	(as V. dioica var. uliginosa) "Meadows, Niagara Falls, Ont. (Millman.)" Macoun (1886). Not mapped from Niagara by Argus et al. (1982-1987). No recent reports. = Valeriana sitchensis ssp. uliginosa.		RH			S2	VALERIANACEAE
Valerianella chenopodiifolia (Pursh) DC.	Goose-foot Corn- salad	RH	Point Abino only (Macdonald 1990). G.A. Snyder (OAC) from Point Abino in 1917.					S1	VALERIANACEAE
Valerianella locusta (L.) Betcke	Corn-salad	IR	Navy Island, P.M. Eckel (BUF) in 1998 (Eckel 2001). M.J. Oldham #34066 (DAO, MICH) from weedy roadside near Wainfleet Bog in 2007.					SE1	VALERIANACEAE
<i>Vallisneria americana</i> Michaux	Tape-grass	U		R2	С			S5	HYDROCHARITACEAE
Verbascum blattaria L.	Moth Mullein	IU		I	I			SE5	SCROPHULARIACEAE
Verbascum thapsus L.	Common Mullein	IC		I	I			SE5	SCROPHULARIACEAE
Verbena hastata L.	Blue Vervain	С		С	С			S5	VERBENACEAE
Verbena simplex Lehm.	Dwarf Vervain	RH	Queenston Heights, July 15, 1901 (CAN), Heimburger (1955).	R3	RH			S4	VERBENACEAE
Verbena stricta Vent.	Hoary Vervain	R	"while rare, has been found on the gravelly, rocky land near Queen Victoria Park," Hamilton (1943). Homer Escarpment in 1993 (Riley et		R1			S4	VERBENACEAE

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			al. 1996).						
Verbena urticifolia L.	White Vervain	С		С	С			S5	VERBENACEAE
<i>Vernonia gigantea</i> (Walter) Trel. ex Branner	Giant Ironweed	RH	W. Scott, Niagara-on-the-Lake (DAO, TRT) and Queenston (TRT), 1898 (ARVPO database). Records of this species should be closely checked to make sure they are not the similar Vernonia missurica. = Vernonia altissima.					S1?	ASTERACEAE
Veronica americana (Raf.) Schwein. ex Benth	American Brooklime	R	Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). "Dufferin Islands," Hamilton (1943). Chippewa River, T. J. Hale, 1861 (BUF); Dufferin Islands, Hamilton, June 20, 1939 (NFO) (Eckel 2001). M.J. Oldham #33890 (DAO) from Dufferin Islands in 2006. = Veronica beccabunga var. americana.	C				85	PLANTAGINACEAE
Veronica anagallis- aquatica L.	Water Speedwell	IR	"Wet grounds near Clifton, Ontario," Day (1888). Ontario, Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). Ontario: Dufferin Islands, swamp, Miller (582), Aug. 25, 1948, Heimburger (1955). "Dufferin Islands," sight record, Yaki (1970). M.J. Oldham #34852 (TRTE) from Dufferin Islands in 2007.	I	I			SE5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Veronica arvensis L.	Corn Speedwell	IU		I	I			SE5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Veronica chamaedrys L.	Bird's-eye Speedwell	IR	Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). Brock's Monument, Queenston, John Macoun, July 6, 1901 (TRT), Heimburger (1955). "Queenston" Hamilton (1943). M.J. Oldham #32428 (MICH) from Paradise Grove in 2006		I			SE3	PLANTAGINACEAE
Veronica longifolia L.	Long-leaved Speedwell	IR	Dufferin Islands, north, low land, Miller (787), Sept. 25, 1949, Heimburger (1955) (Eckel 2001). Pt. Abino Peninsula, Macdonald 1990	I	I			SE3	PLANTAGINACEAE
Veronica officinalis L.	Common Speedwell	IC		I	I			SE5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Veronica peregrina L. ssp. peregrina	Purslane Speedwell	U		U8	С			S5	PLANTAGINACEAE

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Veronica persica Poiret	Persian Speedwell	IR	M.J. Oldham #8047 (DAO, TRTE) from Bay Beach near Point Abino in 1988.	I	I			SE4	PLANTAGINACEAE
Veronica polita Fries	Gray Field Speedwell	IR	M.J. Oldham #32370 (MICH) from Niagara Glen in 2006.	I				SE4	PLANTAGINACEAE
Veronica scutellata L.	Marsh Speedwell	U		С	С			S5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Veronica serpyllifolia L. ssp. serpyllifolia	Thyme-leaved Speedwell	IC		I	I			SE5	PLANTAGINACEAE
Viburnum acerifolium L.	Maple-leaved Viburnum	С		С	С			S5	ADOXACEAE
Viburnum cassinoides L.	Wild-raisin	R	Wainfleet Bog, Macdonald 1992	R3	U			S5	ADOXACEAE
Viburnum dentatum L. var. lucidum Aiton	Southern Arrow-wood	С	Wet woods and thickets. Niagara distribution is restricted to wetlands north of Lake Erie. Not found north of Niagara Escarpment. = Viburnum recognitum.	С	С			S4	ADOXACEAE
Viburnum lantana L.	Wayfaring Tree	IU		I				SE2	ADOXACEAE
Viburnum lentago L.	Nannyberry	C		C	C			S5	ADOXACEAE
Viburnum opulus L.	European Highbush- cranberry	IC		I	I			SE4	ADOXACEAE
Viburnum rafinesquianum Schultes	Downy Arrow-wood	U		С	С			S5	ADOXACEAE
Viburnum trilobum Marshall	Highbush-cranberry	С	= Viburnum opulus var. americanum, V. opulus ssp. trilobum.	С	U			S5	ADOXACEAE
Vicia americana Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Vetch	R	Reported from three Niagara Escarpment sites by Riley (1996).	RH				S5	FABACEAE
Vicia caroliniana Walt.	Carolina Vetch	R	Historical records from several Niagara sites (CAN, TRT; Argus et al. 1982-1987). The only recent record is from DeCew Falls ANSI in 1993 (S. Varga #03-93, TRT).	R1	RH			S2	FABACEAE
Vicia cracca L.	Cow Vetch	IC		I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Vicia sativa L. ssp. nigra (L.) Ehrh.	Common Vetch	IC	= Vicia angustifolia.	I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Vicia tetrasperma (L.) Schreber	Sparrow Vetch	IU		I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Vicia villosa Roth	Hairy Vetch	IR	B. Larson #91-200 (TRT) from Jordan Valley ANSI in 1991.	I	I			SE5	FABACEAE
Vinca minor L.	Common Periwinkle	IU		I	I		-	SE5	APOCYNACEAE

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VINCETOXICUM	see		CYNANCHUM						APOCYNACEAE
Viola affinis Le Conte	Le Conte's Marsh Violet	R	I.D. Macdonald (HAM, TRTE) from Wainfleet Bog in 1990 (Macdonald 1992). = Viola sororia var. affinis.	C	U			S4?	VIOLACEAE
Viola arvensis Murray	Field Pansy	IR	M.J. Oldham #34054 (DAO) from Port Colborne in 2007.	I	I			SE4	VIOLACEAE
Viola blanda Willd.	Sweet White Violet	U	Reported from seven Niagara Escarpment siters (Riley et al. 1996). S. Varga #128-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Provincial Park in 1993. = Viola incognita.	U8	С			S4S5	VIOLACEAE
Viola canadensis L. var. canadensis	Canada Violet	U		С	U			S5	VIOLACEAE
Viola cucullata Aiton	Marsh Violet	U		С	С			S5	VIOLACEAE
Viola labradorica Schrank	Dog Violet	U	A.C. Garofalo #07-396 (HAM) from Onondaga Escarpment, Wainfleet Bog, in 2007. = <i>Viola conspersa</i> .	С	С			S5	VIOLACEAE
Viola lanceolata L.	Lance-leaved Violet	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992).					S4	VIOLACEAE
Viola macloskeyi F. Lloyd ssp. pallens (Banks ex DC.) M. Baker	Smooth White Violet	R	Pt. Abino Peninsula (Macdonald 1990). = Viola pallens.	U7	U			S5	VIOLACEAE
Viola odorata L.	Sweet Violet	IR	" has escaped from cultivation and is common on the banks at the rear of Queen Victoria Park," Hamilton (1943). "Dufferin Islands," sight record, Yaki (1970). wet base of wooded slope, Horseshoe Falls, Eckel April 23, 1988 (BUF) (Eckel 2001).	I	I			SE2	VIOLACEAE
Viola palmata L.	Wood Violet	RH	Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). Recent records unverified (NAI database). No Niagara specimens located by Argus et al. (1982-1987), but known from the Haldimand Clay Plain in nearby Haldimand County.		U			S2	VIOLACEAE
Viola pedata L. var. pedata	Bird's-foot Violet	RH	"in the [Niagara] Parks" (Hamilton 1943). Collections from 1891 (J. Dearness, DAO) and 1902 and 1906 (W. Scott, TRT) from Niagara-on-the- Lake (ARVPO database). See		R1	END	END	S1	VIOLACEAE

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			COSEWIC (2002a).						
Viola pubescens Aiton	Yellow Violet	С	Common. Includes Viola eriocarpa, V. pensylvanica.	С	С			S5	VIOLACEAE
Viola renifolia A. Gray	Kidney-leaved Violet	R	Queenston Heights, Wm. Scott, May 24, 1895 (TRT), Heimburger (1955).	R5	U			S5	VIOLACEAE
Viola rostrata Pursh	Long-spurred Violet	U		С	C			S5	VIOLACEAE
Viola rotundifolia Michaux	Round-leaved Violet	RH	Niagara Falls, R. Cameron (CAN) in 1892 and Jordan Station, J. Dearness (DAO) in 1892 and J. Macoun (CAN) in 1901 (ARVPO database). Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " in the (Glen) woods" Hamilton (1943).					S1	VIOLACEAE
Viola sororia Willd.	Common Blue Violet	С	Including Viola septentrionalis.	С	С			S5	VIOLACEAE
Viola striata Aiton	Striped Violet	RH	Niagara, John Macoun, May 20, 1901, Heimburger (1955), though not mapped from Niagara by Argus et al. (1982-1987).					S3	VIOLACEAE
Viola tricolor L.	Johnny-jump-up	IR	Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895).	I				SE2	VIOLACEAE
Vitis aestivalis Michaux var. aestivalis	Summer Grape	С		С	С			S4	VITACEAE
Vitis labrusca L.	Fox Grape	IU	Although collected as early as the late 1800s, probably not native to the Niagara region (Day 1888).	I	I?			S1	VITACEAE
Vitis riparia Michaux	Riverbank Grape	С		С	С			S5	VITACEAE
Vulpia myuros (L.) K.C. Gmel	Rat-tail Six-weeks Fescue	IR	Rare weed (Oldham et al. 1995). M.J. Oldham #34703 (DAO) from Navy Island in 2007.					SE1	POACEAE
Vulpia octoflora (Walter) Rydb. var. glauca (Nutt.) Fern.	Six-weeks Fescue	RH	Niagara Glen, J. Dearness (DAO, MTMG) in 1902 (ARVPO database)		RH			S2	POACEAE
Waldsteinia fragarioides (Michaux) Tratt.	Barren Strawberry	U		С	U			S5	ROSACEAE
Wolffia borealis (Engelm.) Landolt	Dotted Water-meal	R	Small and easily overlooked floating aquatic. = Wolffia punctata.	R2	X			S4S5	ARACEAE
Wolffia columbiana Karsten	Water-meal	R	Small and easily overlooked floating aquatic. <i>Wolfia arrhiza</i> of Macdonald (1990).	R4	U			S4S5	ARACEAE

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Woodwardia virginica (L.) Smith	Virginia Chain Fern	R	Wainfleet Bog (Macdonald 1992). M.J. Oldham #9263 (OAC) from Wainfleet Bog in 1989. A.A. Reznicek (MICH) in Willoughby Marsh in 1989.	R2				S4	BLECHNACEAE
Xanthium strumarium L.	Cocklebur	С		С	С			S5	ASTERACEAE
Yucca filamentosa L.	Adam's Needle	IR	A rare escape from cultivation, reported from Point Abino by Macdonald (1990). The report may refer to <i>Yucca flacida</i> (see FNA Vol. 26).					SE1?	AGAVACEAE
Zannichellia palustris L.	Horned Pondweed	R	A.C. Garofalo #08-886 (HAM) from the Welland River in 2008.	R2				S4	POTAMOGETONACEAE
Zanthoxylum americanum Miller	Northern Prickly-ash	С		С	С			S5	RUTACEAE
Zea mays L.	Corn	IR	Observed (M.J. Oldham) in the Fort Erie Railway Yard in 2007, where probably an ephemeral introduction from spilled grain		I			SE1	POACEAE
Zigadenus elegans Pursh ssp. glaucus (Nutt.) Hulten	White Camass	R	"Abundant, limestone cliffs and ledges of gorge of Niagara River near the Whirlpool" (Zenkert 1934). "occurs on the wet, limestone ledges of the Glen just below the Gardener's School" (Hamilton 1943). No reports from the Niagara River area since 1943 (Varga and Kor 1993, Oldham 2007). B. Larson #91-603, TRT, from Beamsville Escarpment ANSI in 1991 (Jalava et al. 1992). = Zigadenus glaucus.		R1			S4	MELANTHIACEAE
Zizania aquatica L. var. aquatica	Southern Wild Rice	R	Rare; wetlands.		U			S 3	POACEAE
Zizania palustris L.	Northern Wild Rice	R		R1	?			S4	POACEAE
Zizia aurea (L.) W.D.J. Koch	Golden Alexanders	R	"occasionally found in marshy places along the Niagara River" (Hamilton 1943). "Navy Island", sight record, Yaki (1970). S. Blaney #56-93 (TRT) from Short Hills Provincial Park in 1993.	R4	U			S5	APIACEAE
ZOSTERELLA	see		HETERANTHERA		_		_		PONTEDERIACEAE

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Acorus calamus L.	European Sweet-flag	A 1975 Wm. Putnam record (NAI database) and other reports of <i>A. calamus</i> from the Niagara area probably refer to the native <i>A. americanus</i> , though it is possible the European <i>A. calamus sensu stricto</i> is present also. See Packer and Ringius (1984).			ACORACEAE
Agalinis purpurea (L.) Pennell	Purple Agalinis	Reports of A. purpurea (e.g. NAI database) are probably based on A. paupercula. = A. purpurea var. paupercula.			SCROPHULARIACEAE
Agastache foeniculum (Pursh) Kuntze	Blue Giant Hyssop	A 1976 literature report (NAI database) may be based on a misidentification or short-lived escape from cultivation.			LABIATAE
Agrimonia eupatoria L.	European Agrimony	A rare introduction in Ontario known in Niagara only from early literature reports (Panton 1890, Cameron 1895); no specimens seen.			ROSACEAE
Agropyron canina (L.) Beauv.	Velvet Bent	Several early literature reports (Macoun 1883-1892, Panton 1890, Cameron 1895), though no recent records. Not accepted as occurring outside of cultivation in Ontario (Dore and McNeill 1980, Morton and Venn 1990). Early Ontario reports may be based on <i>Elymus trachycaulus</i> (Morton and Venn 1990).			POACEAE
Agrostis capillaris L.	Colonial Bent Grass	In Ontario a rare escape from cultivation, in lawns and roadside plantings; perhaps not persisting. Several old literature reports (as <i>A. tenuis</i> ; Panton 1890, Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943); listed for NIAGHALD by Riley 1989). = <i>A. tenuis</i> .			POACEAE
Amelanchier alnifolia (Nutt.) Nutt. ex M. Roemer	Saskatoon Serviceberry	Records of this western species from Niagara (e.g. NAI database) probably refer to other species in the genus.			ROSACEAE
Amelanchier canadensis (L.) Medik.	Canada Serviceberry	Reported from the Niagara Parks System by Cameron (1895), though the species is not accepted as occurring in Ontario by Morton and Venn (1990) and others.			ROSACEAE
Angelica venenosa (Greenway) Fern.	Hairy Angelica	Reported by Hamilton (1943) as having been "found in the [Niagara] Parks". However no Niagara specimens have been located and the species is otherwise known in Ontario only from a single Windsor specimen (Oldham and Brinker 2009). = A. villosa.			APIACEAE
Artemisia ludoviciana Nutt.	White Sagebrush	" reported from the [Niagara] Parks" (as <i>Artemisia gnaphaloides</i>) Hamilton (1943). No other reports and no specimens seen.			ASTERACEAE
Asclepias purpurascens L.	Purple Milkweed	A rare species of prairies and sandy woodland openings. One report in the Niagara NAI database, but no specimens located. Rare in Ontario and not mapped from areas near Niagara by Argus et al. (1982-1987).			APOCYNACEAE

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Asplenium scolopendrium L. var. americanum (Fern.) Kartesz & Gandhi	American Hart's- tongue Fern	Apparently planted in the vicinity of Niagara Falls and/or Niagara Glen in the late 1800s, the basis for a number of early literature reports (Day 188, Cameron 1895, Zenkert 1934, Hamilton 1943). "The plants at Niagara Falls, which are probably extirpated, may have been planted there" (Argus et al. 1982-1987). W. Scott (TRT) from Niagara Falls in 1895. = Phyllitis scolopendrium, Scolopendrium vulgare	SC	SC	ASPLENIACEAE
Barbarea verna (Miller) Aschers	Spring Winter-cress	Reported by Day (1888, as <i>Barbarea praecox</i>) from "Brock's Monument, Ontario (Macoun)". This report possibly in error since not mentioned in Macoun's (1883-1892) "Catalogue of Canadian Plants". No subsequent reports from the region.			BRASSICACEAE
Betula populifolia Marshall	Gray Birch	Regional reports (e.g. Brady et al. 1980, Jonsson-Ninniss and Middleton 1991) may be based on <i>Betula pendula</i> .			BETULACEAE
Betula pubescens Ehrhart	European White Birch	Reports (as <i>Betula alba</i>) by Cameron (1895) and Yaki (1970) are probably based on plantings.			BETULACEAE
Betula x sandbergii Britton	(B. papyrifera X B. pumila)	No specimens have been examined to substantiate reports from Wainfleet Bog (Jonsson-Ninniss and Middleton 1991), and not observed during the ANSI inventory (Macdonald 1992). A hybrid between <i>B. papyrifera</i> and <i>B. pumila</i> , the latter not known from Niagara.			BETULACEAE
Bidens aristosa (Michaux) Britton	Tickseed Beggar-ticks	A 2007 report from Welland (NAI database) is unconfirmed. This introduced species is otherwise known in Ontario only from Windsor.			ASTERACEAE
Bidens laevis (L.) Britton, Sterns & Poggenb.	Smooth Bur-marigold	Local reports (e.g. Day 1888, Panton 1890, Cameron 1895), a species not reliably known from Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990), are probably based on <i>Bidens cernua</i> .			ASTERACEAE
Blephilia ciliata (L.) Benth.	Downy Woodmint	A 1976 report (NAI database) is dubious and perhaps based on a similar species (e.g. <i>Clinopodium vulgare</i> or <i>Prunella vulgaris</i>).			LABIATAE
Boechera retrofracta (Graham) A. Löve & D. Löve	Holboell's Rock-cress	Reported " in the [Niagara] Glen" by Hamilton (1943; as <i>Arabis holboellii</i>). No specimens seen and not otherwise known from southwestern Ontario (Oldham 1993); not known from New York state (Mitchell and Tucker 1997). = <i>Arabis holboellii</i> var. <i>retrofracta</i> .			BRASSICACEAE
Botrychium lunaria (L.) Sw.	Common Moonwort	No specimens have been located to substantiate early literature reports from the Niagara Parks System (Cameron 1895) and Niagara Falls ("found growing in open spaces in the woods near the School for Apprentice Gardeners"; Hamilton 1943). This species is not otherwise reported from southwestern Ontario (Cody and Britton 1989).			OPHIOGLOSSACEAE

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Bromus racemosus L.	Brome	Reports of this species (e.g. "known to occur in the Parks"; Hamilton 1943) are probably based on <i>Bromus commutatus</i> (Dore and McNeill 1980, Eckel 2001).			POACEAE
Calystegia pubescens Lindley	Japanese Bindweed	Reported from the Niagara Region, Ontario, by Montgomery (1957) based on Zenkert (1934). However the only mention of the species from the Niagara Region by Zenkert (1934) is from Niagara County, New York State. No known records from Niagara R.M., Ontario.			CONVOLVULACEAE
Cardamine parviflora L.	Small-flowered Bitter- cress	Two sight records in the NAI database. Not otherwise reported from the region.			BRASSICACEAE
Carex adusta Boott	Sedge	A Macoun (1883-1892) record from "woods near Niagara Falls, Ont." is probably based on another member of the difficult Ovales group of <i>Carex</i> .			CYPERACEAE
Carex careyana Torrey ex Dewey	Carey's Sedge	A rare species of rich, usually Beech-Sugar Maple, woods in the Carolinian Zone. Several records in the Niagara NAI database require further verification. An 1893 collection from Queen Victoria Park by R. Cameron (NFO) is cited by Eckel (2001). The only specimen labeled <i>Carex careyana</i> in NFO located in 2006 is an R. Cameron collection from the Whirlpool in 1893 which is actually <i>Carex deweyana</i> (det. M.J. Oldham 2006). Not mapped from the Niagara River area by Argus et al. (1982-1987).			CYPERACEAE
Carex debilis Michaux var. rudgei Bailey	White-edge Sedge	No specimens have been located to substantiate early reports from the Niagara River area (Day 1888, Panton 1890). Recently collected by P.M. Eckel (BUF) from the base of Brock's Monument in 1988 (Eckel 2001). Specimen should be checked to ensure it is not the introduced <i>Carex sylvatica</i> which is present in the Queenston area.			CYPERACEAE
Carex echinata Murray ssp. echinata	Little Prickly Sedge	A species of acidic wetlands, rare or absent in the Carolinian Zone, locally common on the Canadian Shield. Very similar to related sedges, such as <i>C. interior</i> and <i>C. sterilis</i> . Reports and collections from the Niagara Region (e.g. Cameron 1895, Heimburger 1955) are based on specimens which are probably the similar <i>Carex interior</i> (e.g. R. Cameron, NFO, det. M.J. Oldham 2007, from Queen Victoria Park in ca. 1890; W. Scott, TRT, from Niagara Falls in 1897; cited in Eckel 2001). Not mapped from the Niagara Peninsula or anywhere in the Carolinian Zone of Ontario by Reznicek and Ball (1980).			CYPERACEAE

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Carex festucacea Schkuhr ex Willd.	Fescue Sedge	The only regional reports (Cameron 1895, Eckel 2001) are based on a R. Cameron specimen (NFO, det. M.J. Oldham 2007) from Queen Victoria Park (ca. 1890, Eckel 2001) which appears to be a collection of the very similar <i>Carex tenera</i> .			CYPERACEAE
Carex flava L.	Yellow Sedge	A collection from a dry meadow along the Welland River is the only verified record (A. Garofalo #08-887, HAM, in 2008). A report by Cameron (1895) is presumably based on an R. Cameron specimen labelled as <i>Carex flava</i> from the late 1800's at NFO which is actually <i>Carex viridula</i> (det. M.J. Oldham 2006).			CYPERACEAE
Carex haydenii Dewey	Cloud Sedge	A report from the Niagara Park System (as <i>Carex stricta</i> var. <i>decora</i>) by Cameron (1895) seems unlikely. No specimens labeled <i>Carex haydenii</i> were located in a search of NFO in 2006 by M.J. Oldham.			CYPERACEAE
Carex hormathodes Fern.	Sedge	A specimen cited by Eckel (2001) from the Niagara River Whirlpool (W. Scott, TRT, in 1898), is presumably misidentified or mislabelled since this species is not otherwise known from Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990).			CYPERACEAE
Carex lucorum Willd. ex Link var. lucorum	Long-beaked Oak Sedge	A report in the Niagara NAI database requires confirmation.			CYPERACEAE
Carex lupuliformis Sartwell ex Dewey	False Hop Sedge	Reports in the Niagara NAI database require further verification.	END	END	CYPERACEAE
Carex straminea Willd.	Sedge	Reported from the Niagara Parks System by Cameron (1895). An R. Cameron specimen from Queen Victoria Park at NFO is labelled as <i>Carex straminea</i> but is too young for positive identification and probably belongs to another member of Carex Section Ovales (det. M.J. Oldham, 2006). <i>Carex straminea</i> is not reliably reported from Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990).			CYPERACEAE
Carex torta Boott ex Tuckerman	Sedge	Several unverified eaarly reports: ""near Clifton, Ontario" (Day 1888); "Ontario, Queen Victoria Park" (Panton 1890), though no specimens have been located to support these records. No Ontario records in about a century.			CYPERACEAE
Carex trichocarpa Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Hairy-fruited Sedge	A large and rare sedge of riverbanks and floodplain meadows. No specimens have been located to substantiate several early literature reports, e.g. "near Clifton, Ontario" (Day 1888); "Ontario, Queen Victoria Park" (Panton 1890); Ontario: "whirlpool," Queen Victoria Park (Cameron 1893).			CYPERACEAE

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Carya tomentosa (Poiret) Nutt.	Mockernut Hickory	Local reports (e.g. Macoun 1883-1892, Panton 1890, Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943) are probably based on other species of <i>Carya. Carya tomentosa</i> is not confirmed from Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990).			JUGLANDACEAE
Celtis tenuifolia Nutt.	Dwarf Hackberry	Several shrubs discovered in 2009 by Mary Gartshore from along the rim of the Niagara Gorge may be this species or possibly a similar species escaped from cultivation.	THR	THR	ULMACEAE
Cerastium velutinum Raf.	Long-hairy Chickweed	A recent record (NAI database) is probably based on another <i>Cerastium</i> species. <i>Cerastium velutinum</i> is rare in Ontario and not known from areas near Niagara (Oldham and Brinker 2009). = <i>Cerastium arvense</i> var. <i>velutinum</i> .			CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Cirsium altissimum (L.) Sprengel	Tall Thistle	Reported by Panton (1890) from Queen Victoria Park, Niagara Falls, and a Pease collection from Queenston in 1884 is apparently at BUF (Eckel 2001), however this species is not reliably known from Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990).			ASTERACEAE
Cirsium pumilum (Nutt.) Sprengel	Pasture Thistle	Reports from Niagara (e.g. Eckel 2001, NAI database) are unlikely, as this species (var. <i>hillii</i>) is not known in Ontario from the Carolinian Zone.	THR	THR	ASTERACEAE
Commelina microcarpus L.	Day-flower	A report of <i>Commelina microcarpus</i> L., Day-flower, by Riley et al. (1996) from Homer Escarpment is presumably based on <i>Commelina communis</i> .			COMMELINACEAE
Cornus mas L.	Cornelian Cherry	Reported from Dufferin Islands based on B. Miller #48 (TRT?) from 1952 (Heimburger 1955). Not known from outside cultivation in Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990).			CORNACEAE
Crataegus compacta Sarg.	Hawthorn	A record in the NAI database requires verification.			ROSACEAE
Crataegus dilatata Sarg.	Hawthorn	Queenston, Macoun (CAN) in 1891; Niagara-on-the-Lake, Phipps (UWO) in 1977 (ARVPO database). Local records are placed in <i>Crataegus coccinioides</i> (J.B. Phipps, 2007, FNA draft).			ROSACEAE
Crataegus disperma Ashe	Hawthorn	Queenston, W. Scott (TRT) in 1901. Considered to be an intersectional hybrid (J.B. Phipps, 2007, FNA draft).			ROSACEAE
Crataegus flabellata (Bosc ex Spach) K. Koch	Fan-shaped Hawthorn	Local reports (e.g. Soper and Heimburger 1982, Eckel 2001, NAI database) probably refer to other <i>Crataegus</i> species, since <i>C. flabellata</i> is not known west of Toronto (Phipps and Muniyamma 1980; J.B. Phipps pers. com. 1993).			ROSACEAE
Crataegus persimilis Sarg.	Hawthorn	Niagara-on-the-Lake, several specimens at UWO collected between 1977 and 1981 (ARVPO database). Considered to be an intersectional hybrid (J.B. Phipps, 2007, FNA draft).			ROSACEAE

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Cypripedium candidum Muhlenb. ex Willd.	Small White Lady's- slipper	An early report from Crystal Beach is mentioned by (Whiting and Catling 1986), but is apparently not supported by a specimen.	END	END	ORCHIDACEAE
Dalibarda repens L.	Dewdrop	Early reports require confirmation. Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). Ontario: Queen Victoria Park, Cameron (NFO), 1891 (Eckel 2001).			ROSACEAE
Desmodium canescens L.	Tick-trefoil	No specimen has been located to substantiate a report (Yaki 1970) from North Pelham Valley (Riley et al. 1996). Not mapped from Niagara by Argus et al. (1982-1987).			FABACEAE
Desmodium pauciflorum (Nutt.) DC.	Few-flowered Tick- trefoil	Early Niagara reports (Eckel 2001) probably refer to other <i>Desmodium</i> species.			FABACEAE
Dichanthelium boreale (Nash) Freckmann	Northern Panic Grass	Listed for NIAG-HALD by Riley (1989), probably based on occurrence at Caistor-Canborough Slough Forest in Haldimand. Not mapped for Niagara by Dore and McNeill (1980). = Panicum boreale.			POACEAE
Diphasiastrum complanatum (L.) Holub	Northern Running- pine	Local reports (e.g. Cameron 1895, Hamilton 1943) probably refer to D. digitatum. = Lycopodium complanatum.			LYCOPODIACEAE
Diphasiastrum tristachyum Pursh	Blue Ground-cedar	A local report (NAI database) probably refers to <i>D. digitatum</i> . = <i>Lycopodium tristachyum</i> .			LYCOPODIACEAE
Drosera intermedia Hayne	Spatulate-leaved Sundew	No specimen has been located to substantiate a report by Hamilton (1943, as <i>D. longifolia</i>), " reported in the Parks, but not recently observed".			DROSERACEAE
Dryopteris filix-mas (L.) Schott ssp. brittonii FrasJenk. & Widen	Male Fern	No specimens have been found to substantiate the early literature report by Cameron (1895).			DRYOPTERIDACEAE
Eleocharis geniculata (L.) Roemer & J.A. Schultes	Bent Spike-rush	Unverified report (see Macdonald 1990, Point Abino).	END	END	CYPERACEAE
Eleocharis intermedia (Muhlenb.) J.A. Schultes	Intermediate Spike- rush	No specimen could be found at NFO (M.J. Oldham in 2006) to substantiate an early report: Ontario: Niagara Glen, G. Hamilton (NFO), July 20, 1941 (Eckel 2001).			CYPERACEAE
Enemion biternatum Raf.	False Rue-anemone	Recent report to NHIC requires further verification. = Isopyrum biternatum.	THR	THR	RANUNCULACEAE
Epilobium ciliatum Raf. ssp. glandulosum (Lehm.) Hoch & Raven	Glandular Willow- herb	Reports of ssp. glandulosum (NAI database) require checking.			ONAGRACEAE
Epilobium palustre L.	Swamp Willow-herb	Unverified early literature reports: Ontario, Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). var. <i>lineare</i> Gray. Near Clifton, Ontario, Day (1888). (As <i>Epilobium densum</i> Raf.) Ontario: near Clifton, Niagara Falls (Day, Cat. Niag. Fl.) Zenkert (1934) (Eckel 2001).			ONAGRACEAE

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Epilobium strictum Muhlenb. ex Sprengel	Downy Willow-herb	Unverified early literature reports: (as E. molle), "in wet places near Clifton, Ontario," Day (1888). Ontario, Queen Victoria Park (as <i>E. molle</i>), Panton (1890). (Eckel 2001).			ONAGRACEAE
Equisetum palustre L.	Marsh Horsetail	Unverified early literature reports: "Wet places above Clifton, Ontario," Day (1888). Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). "Apparently rare Wet places above (Clifton) Niagara Falls, Ontario (Day, Cat. of Niag. Fl.)," Zenkert (1934). " encountered in the Park," Hamilton (1943). (Eckel 2001). A Niagara record mapped in Britton and Cody (1989).			EQUISETACEAE
Equisetum x ferrissii Clute	(E. hyemale X E. laevigatum)	listed for NIAG-HALD by Riley (1989); source?			EQUISETACEAE
Eragrostis hypnoides (Lam.) Britton, Sterns & Poggenb.	Moss-like Love Grass	Lsted for NIAG-HALD by Riley (1989), source?			POACEAE
Eragrostis pilosa (L.) Beauv.	Pilose Love Grass	Johnson (BUF) requires verification, Point Abino, see Macdonald 1990 (as <i>E. multicaulis</i>).			POACEAE
Erigeron hyssopifolius Michaux	Hyssop-leaved Fleabane	NAI reports certainly in error			ASTERACEAE
Eriophorum gracile W.D.J. Koch	Slender Cotton-grass	Report in NAI database probably based on a different <i>Eriophorum</i> species.			CYPERACEAE
Erythronium propulans Gray	Dwarf Trout Lily	Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls) - probaly in error			LILIACEAE
Euonymus americanus L.	Strawberry-bush	Early reports unverified: Ontario: "Niagara," (Macoun), Day (1888). Ont.: Niagara Glen, Field Club, 1888. Ontario, Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). "According to Macoun (Cat. of Can. Pl.) at Niagara, Ontario," Zenkert (1934). Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls)			CELASTRACEAE
Eurybia conspicua (Lindl.) Nesom	Western Showy Aster	A specimen cited by Eckel (2001; as <i>Aster conspicuus</i>) from Niagara Falls (W. Scott, TRT, in 1900), is presumably misidentified or mislabelled since this species is not otherwise known from Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990, Semple et al. 1992) or New York state (Mitchell and Tucker 1997). = <i>Aster conspicuus</i> .			ASTERACEAE
Festuca gigantea L.	Giant Fescue	Unverified early report: " known to occur in the Parks," Hamilton (1943).			POACEAE
Festuca ovina Biehler	Sheep Fescue	Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls), unverified			POACEAE
Gaylusaccia frondosa (L.) Torrey & A. Gray	Blue Huckleberry	Top of wooded bank, below Whirlpool, Canada (Clinton, Gen. Herb.)," Zenkert (1934). record is G. baccata according to Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls)			ERICACEAE

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Gentiana alba Muhlenb. ex Nutt.	White Prairie Gentian	Niagara record unverified: Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). = Gentiana flavida.	END	END	GENTIANACEAE
Gentiana clausa Raf.	Blind Gentian	Reported by Zenkert & Zander (1975) based on a H. & R. Axtell collection from Fort Erie in 1967 (BUF). Not otherwise reported from Ontario or Canada.			GENTIANACEAE
Geum macrophyllum Willd.	Large-leaved Avens	Regional reports (e.g. NAI database) are unlikely.			ROSACEAE
Geum triflorum Pursh	Prairie Smoke	Regional reports (e.g. NAI database) are unlikely.			ROSACEAE
Geum virginianum L.	Virginia Avens	Regional reports (e.g. NAI database) are unlikely.			ROSACEAE
Glyceria fluitans (L.) R. Br.	Float Grass	"Niagara Falls Macoun, Cat. Can. Pls. IV p. 231," Heimburger (1955). Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). " known to occur in the Parks" Hamilton (1943). all Ontario records rejected by Dore and McNeill (1980) and Morton and Venn (1990).			POACEAE
Glyceria maxima (Hartman) Holmb.	English Watergrass	Only unverified reports (NAI database).			POACEAE
Goodyera repens (L.) R. Br. var. ophioides Fern.	Dwarf Rattlesnake- plantain	Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895).			ORCHIDACEAE
Gratiola virginiana L.	Virginia Hedge- hyssop	Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls) - probaly in error			SCROPHULARIACEAE
Helianthus grosseserratus M. Martens	Saw-tooth Sunflower	Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895); unverified			ASTERACEAE
Helianthus microcephalus Torrey & Gray	Small-flowered Sunflower	Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls), unverified			ASTERACEAE
Hieracium umbellatum L.	Hawkweed	Local reports (e.g. NAI database) are unlikely. = Hieracium scabriusculum.			ASTERACEAE
<i>Hieracium</i> x <i>floribundum</i> Wimmer & Graeb.	Hawkweed	Reported by Yaki (1970) as a sight record by Mr. W. P. Putnam from Niagara Glen. NAI database. Records unverified.			ASTERACEAE
Houstonia caerulea L.	Bluets	Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls), unverified.			RUBIACEAE
Houstonia purpurea L.	Purple Bluets	Early records are unlikely and probably based on <i>H. canadensis</i> . "Below the Whirlpool," Day (1901). " common in the fields and along the roadway between the Niagara Glen and Queenston, where it forms great patches" Hamilton (1943). (as <i>Houstonia purpurea</i>) "[Niagara] Glen" sight record, Yaki (1970). Ontario: Niagara Falls, Irwin, June 5, 1963 (NFO) (Eckel 2001). Not reliably known from Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990). = <i>Hedyotis purpurea</i> .			SCROPHULARIACEAE
Hypericum mutilum L. ssp. boreale (Britt.) J.M. Gillett	Boreal St John's-wort	NAI database record is unlikely. = <i>Hypericum boreale</i> .			HYPERICACEAE

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Juglans regia L.	English Walnut	Unverified report in NAI database.			JUGLANDACEAE
Juncus filiformis L.	Filiform Rush	Early reports are unlikely: Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). Parks, Ontario, Hamilton (1943).			JUNCACEAE
Juniperus horizontalis Moench	Creeping Juniper	Unverified early report: (as <i>J. sabina</i> var. <i>procumbens</i>), Ontario, Niagara Parks System (Cameron 1895).			CUPRESSACEAE
Knautia arvensis (L.) Coult.	Bluebuttons	Unverified NAI database record.			ASTERACEAE
Lamium album L.	White Dead-nettle	Unverified report in NAI database, based on Brady et al.			LAMIACEAE
Lespedeza virginica (L.) Britton	Slender Bush-clover	Early reports are unverified: Ontario: Queenston Heights, Wm. Scott, Sept. 5, 1896 (TRT), Heimburger (1955).	END	END	FABACEAE
Leucophysalis grandiflora (Hook.) Rydb.	Large White-flowered Ground Cherry	An unverified early literature report. Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). = <i>Physalis grandiflora</i> .			SOLANACEAE
Ligustrum obtusifolium Siebold & Zucc.	Border Privet	"Escarpment - Queenston Heights" (Yaki 1970). Not listed for Ontario by Morton and Venn (1990).			OLEACEAE
Lilium michauxii Poiret	Michaux's Lily	Cameron (1895) - probably in error or from cultivation			LILIACEAE
Linum striatum Walt.	Ridged Yellow Flax	Early unverified record: Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895).			LINACEAE
Listera convallarioides (Sw.) Nutt. ex Elliott	Broad-lipped Twayblade	Unverified early report: Ontario, Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " reported by Cameron as occurring in the Parks in (1894). They have not been found recently," Hamilton (1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca.1890] (NFO). Record not accepted by Whiting and Catling (1986).			ORCHIDACEAE
Lithospermum canescens (Michaux) Lehm.	Hoary Puccoon	A Yaki (1970) sight record from Point Abino is probaby based on confusion with <i>L. caroliniense</i> (Macdonald 1990). An NAI database record is unlikely.			BORAGINACEAE
Lithospermum latifolium Michaux	American Gromwell	An unverified early report: Ontario, Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890).			BORAGINACEAE
Lolium perenne L. var. aristatum Willd.	Italian Rye Grass	listed for NIAG-HALD by Riley (1989), details unknown. No Niagara dots in Dore and McNeill (1980).			POACEAE
Lonicera oblongifolia (Goldie) Hook.	Swamp Fly- honeysuckle	An NAI database record is unlikely. No Niagara records mapped by Soper and Heimburger (1982).			CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Lonicera sempervirens L.	Trumpet Honeysuckle	Unverified early reports: Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " reported from the System" Hamilton (1943). Excluded from the flora of the Niagara Frontier Region by Zander and Pierce (1979).			CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Lunaria rediviva L.	Honesty	Mapped from Niagara by Sabourin (1991), though not accepted for Ontario by Morton and Venn (1990).			BRASSICACEAE

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Magnolia tripetala (L.) L.	Umbrella Magnolia	Cameron (1895) - probably in error or planted. Not otherwise reported from Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990).			MAGNOLIACEAE
Marsilea quadrifolia L.	European Water- clover	Unverified NAI database record.			MARSILIACEAE
Matricaria recutita L.	Wild Chamomile	Unverified NAI database record.			ASTERACEAE
Melanthium virginicum L.	Bunchflower	Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). Ontario: Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca.1890] (NFO) (Eckel 2001). Not listed as a floristic element in the Niagara Frontier Region by Zander and Pierce (1979). Listed as rare in New York State by Mitchell (1986). It is excluded from the Ontario flora by Morton and Venn (1990) as an Ontario report was not confirmed.			LILIACEAE
Miscanthus sacchariflorus (Maxim.) Hackel	Plume Grass	listed for NIAG-HALD by Riley (1989), basis unknown			POACEAE
Monarda clinopodia L.	White Bergamot	" only rarely found; although several fine specimens were obtained from the open woods between the School for Gardeners and Brock's Monument," Hamilton (1943). Ontario: "woods to east of School of Horticulture," Hamilton, July 20, 1939 (NFO). Not confirmed for Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990).			LAMIACEAE
Monarda media Willd.	Purple Bergamot	A specimen labelled Monarda media in NFO requires further study. Sometimes treated as a hybrid, <i>Monarda</i> x <i>media</i> , between <i>M. didyma</i> and <i>M. fistulosa</i> .			LAMIACEAE
Moneses uniflora (L.) A. Gray	One-flowered Pyrola	Unverified reports only: Niagara Parks System, Hamilton (1943), NAI database			PYROLACEAE
Muhlenbergia racemosa (Michx.) BSP.	Green Muhly	Reports from the Niagara area (e.g. Zander and Pierce 1979) are probably in error (Eckel 1988) and due to confusion with <i>M. glomerata</i> . No southern Ontario recrods are mapped by Dore and McNeill (1980) or Argus et al. (1982-1987).			POACEAE
Muhlenbergia sylvatica (Torrey) Torrey ex A. Gray	Woodland Muhly	Local reports and specimens require further study: "Foster's Flat, Ontario (Clinton)," Day (1888). Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). "Niagara Glen (Day, Cat. of Niag. Fl.)," Zenkert (1934). " known to occur in the Parks," Hamilton (1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca.1890] (NFO)			POACEAE
Myrica gale L.	Sweet Gale	Unverified reports in NAI database			MYRICACEAE

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Myriophyllum verticillatum L.	Whorled Water- milfoil	Unverified early reports: Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). " pools along the upper River and at Dufferin Islands have been reported," Hamilton (1943).). "Dufferin Islands," sight record, Yaki (1970).			HALORAGACEAE
Nasturtium officinale R. Br. ex Aiton	Water Cress	Old reports may refer to <i>Nasturtium microphyllum</i> , which is more common in Ontario: "Also abundant at Niagara, above the Falls (Macoun.)" Macoun (1883). "Near the river's edge above the Falls. Clifton, Ontario," Day (1888). Ontario, Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). Ontario: Niagara Falls, Wm. Scott, June 25, 1898 (6716), Heimburger (1955). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca.1890] (NFO). No confirmed regional reports of <i>N. officinale</i> .			BRASSICACEAE
Oclemena acuminata (Michaux) Greene	Whorled Wood Aster	Two records in the Niagara NAI database are probably in error, since not otherwise known anywhere near Niagara (Semple et al. 2002). = <i>Aster acuminatus</i> .			ASTERACEAE
Oenothera cruciata (S. Wats.) Munz.	Northern Evening- primrose	Report requires checking: Ontario: Niagara, Wm. Scott, July 15, 1898 (TRT), Heimburger (1955).			ONAGRACEAE
Oxalis corniculata L.	Creeping Yellow Wood-sorrel	NAI database records require verification.			OXALIDACEAE
Oxalis montana Raf.	Irish Shamrock	NAI database records unlikely. = Oxalis acetosella ssp. montana.			OXALIDACEAE
Panicum sphaerocarpon Ell. var. sphaerocarpon	Round-fruited Panic Grass	Llisted for NIAG-HALD by Riley (1989), basis unknown.			POACEAE
Persicaria careyi (Olney) Greene	Carey's Smartweed	Reports from Wainfleet Bog are discounted by Macdonald (1992) and no specimens from Niagara were located by Argus et al. (1982-1990). = <i>Polygonum careyi</i> .			POLYGONACEAE
Picea pungens Engelm.	Colorado Spruce	Rare escape from cultivation. Yaki (1970) Dufferin Islands sight record, but perhaps planted there.			PINACEAE
Plantago media L.	Hoary Plantain	Unverified early reports: "Niagara" Provancher, Flore Canadienne, p. 474. Not seen by us," Day (1888). Ontario, Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890); (Eckel 2001).			PLANTAGINACEAE
Platanthera dilatata (Pursh) Lindl. ex Beck	Leafy White Orchid	An NAI database record is unlikely. No Niagara records mapped by Whiting and Catling (1986).			ORCHIDACEAE
Platanthera grandiflora (Bigelow) Lindley	Large Purple Fringed- orchid	An early literature report (1882, in Zenkert 1934) has never been confirmed and no supporting specimen has been found at BUF or elsewhere (see Macdonald 1990).			ORCHIDACEAE

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Poa saltuensis Fern. & Wieg.	Two-rayed Poa	Listed as rare in Niagara by Riley et al. (1996), but not reported from any Escarpment sites in Niagara Region.			POACEAE
Polemonium reptans L.	Greek Valerian	Reported by Cameron (1895) and Hamilton (1943; "rather rare in the Parks") from the Niagara Parks System, but no other Ontario or Canadian records.			POLEMONIACEAE
Polygonum agnaticum		Cameron (1895) report is in error (Eckel 2001). No such name, perhaps <i>Polygonum amphibium</i> .			POLYGONACEAE
Polygonum tenue Michaux var. tenue	Slender Knotweed	An unverified Niagara report. Not mapped from Niagara by Argus et al. (1982-1987).			POLYGONACEAE
Polystichum braunii (Spenner) Fee	Braun's Holly Fern	Presumably this is the species indicated by Cameron's (1895) reference to Aspidium aculeatum for the Niagara Park System, Ontario (Eckel 2001). No specimens located and not mapped from the area by Argus et al. (1982-1987).			DRYOPTERIDACEAE
Potamogeton diversifolius Raf.	Waterthread Pondweed	Early Niagara River reports (see Eckel 2001), but not listed for Ontario by Morton and Venn (1990).			POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton robbinsii Oakes	Robbins' Pondweed	Reported from the "Niagara River" by Day (1888).			POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potamogeton spirillus Tuckerman	Dimorphous Pondweed	A report from Wainfleet Bog by Auer (1930; in Macdonald 1992) is unlikely.			POTAMOGETONACEAE
Potentilla canadensis L.	Cinquefoil	Frequently confused with P. simplex and early reports require verification: "Niagara Gorge," both sides, Field Club, 1894 (in Eckel 2001). Ontario, Niagara Park System, Cameron (1895). "occasionally found in the open grassland along the river," Hamilton (1943). "Dufferin Islands," sight record, Yaki (1970).			ROSACEAE
Prunus pumila L. var. susquehannae (Willd.) Jaeger	Susquehanna Cherry	Reports from Point Abino (see Macdonald 1990) probably refer to var. <i>pumila</i> .			ROSACEAE
Pseudognaphalium macounii (Greene) Kartesz	Clammy Cudweed	Ontario, Niagara Park System (as G. decurrens), Cameron (1895). (As G. decurrens), " grows near the road at the edge of the woods below the School," Hamilton (1943). = Gnaphalium viscosum of authors, Gnaphalium macounii.			ASTERACEAE
Quercus coccinea Muench.	Scarlet Oak	Niagara and Ontario reports are unconfirmed (Morton and Venn 1990).			FAGACEAE
Quercus ellipsoidalis E. Hill	Hill's Oak	Niagara reports are unconfirmed. Not mapped from the region by Argus et al. (1982-1987).			FAGACEAE
Quercus prinoides Willd.	Dwarf Chinquapin Oak	reports are Q. muehlenbergii - see Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls)			FAGACEAE
Quercus prinus L.	Chestnut Oak	Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls) - requires confirmation			FAGACEAE

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Quercus stellata Wangenh.	Post Oak	ERROR see Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls)			FAGACEAE
Ranunculus flammula L. var. reptans (L.) E. Meyer	Creeping Spearwort	An early report for the Niagara Parks System (Cameron 1895) is unverified. = Ranunculus reptans.			RANUNCULACEAE
Ribes glandulosum Grauer	Skunk Currant	Unverified early reports: 'Niagara Parks System (as R. prostratum), Cameron (1895). " only occasionally," Hamilton (1943). Not mapped from the Carolinian Zone by Soper and Heimburger (1982).			GROSSULARIACEAE
Ribes lacustre (Pers.) Poir.	Bristly Black Gooseberry	Local records (e.g. NAI database) unlikely. Not mapped from the Carolinian Zone by Soper and Heimburger (1982).			GROSSULARIACEAE
Rosa acicularis Lindl. ssp. sayi (Schwein.) W.H. Lewis	Prickly Rose	Local records (e.g. NAI database) unlikely. Not mapped from the Carolinian Zone by Soper and Heimburger (1982).			ROSACEAE
Rubus parviflorus Nutt.	Thimbleberry	Local reports (e.g. Brady et al. 1980) presumably in error. This species is not mapped from south of the Bruce Peninsula in Ontario (Soper and Heimburger 1982).			ROSACEAE
Rumex sanguineus L.	Wood Dock	Old report requires verification: Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, Aug. 1966 (NFO) (Eckel 2001).			POLYGONACEAE
Rumex thyrsiflorus Fingerhuth	Narrow-leaved Sorrel	Local reports (e.g. NAI database) perhaps in error for Rumex acetosella. = Rumex acetosa ssp. thyrsiflorus.			POLYGONACEAE
Sagittaria graminea Michaux var. graminea	Grass-leaved Arrowhead	Listed for NIAG-HALD by Riley (1989), basis unknown. NAI database report probably in error.			ALISMATACEAE
Salix babylonica L.	Weeping Willow	Eckel 2001 (Flora of Niagara Falls)			SALICACEAE
Salix candida Fluegge ex Willd.	Hoary Willow	Reported from Wainfleet Bog, though not seen by Macdonald (1992). A calciphile which is unlikely at this location. Not mapped from the Niagara Peninsula by Soper and Heimburger (1982).			SALICACEAE
Salix pyrifolia Anderss.	Balsam Willow	D. Gregory (HAM, TRTE) from an alder thicket at DeCew Generating Station, St. Catherines, in 2001 (though not listed in Gregory 2003a). Specimen identity should be double-checked. Rare in southwestern Ontario.			SALICACEAE
Scirpus expansus Fern.	Bulrush	Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca. 1890] (NFO). Niagara Parks System (as S. sylvaticus), Cameron (1895).			CYPERACEAE
Scirpus pedicellatus Fern.	Stalked Bulrush	Local reports (e.g. NAI database) unverified.			CYPERACEAE
Sericocarpus linifolius (L.) Britton, Sterns & Poggenb.	Narrow-leaf White-top Aster	Cameron (1895) - probably in error, not otherwise known from Ontario			ASTERACEAE
Silene stellata (L.) Aiton f.	Starry Campion	Old report requires verification: Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895).			CARYOPHYLLACEAE

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Solanum nigrum L.	Black Nightshade	Regional reports (e.g. NAI database) are probably based on <i>Solanum ptychanthum</i> .			SOLANACEAE
Solidago ulmifolia Muhlenb. ex Willd. var. ulmifolia	Elm-leaved Goldenrod	Regional reports (e.g. Heimburger 1955, NAI database) require verification.			ASTERACEAE
Sorbus decora (Sarg.) Schneid.		Regional reports (e.g. Brady et al. 1980) unlikely.			ROSACEAE
Sparganium angustifolium Michaux	Many-Stalked Bur- reed	WL Putnam # 123 in 1973 (DAO, det VL Harms) requires checking			SPARGANIACEAE
Sparganium emersum Rehmann	Green-fruited Bur- reed	Local reports require verification. = Sparganium chlorocarpum.			SPARGANIACEAE
Spergula arvensis L.	Corn-spurrey	Literature report which doesn't specifically mention Niagara: "Occasionally occurs as a weed on the cultivated land of this region (Ontario)," Hamilton (1943).			CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Stachys aspera Michaux	Showy Mountain-ash	A report by Panton (1890) from Queen Victoria Park, Niagara Falls, is unverified. Not accepted for Ontario by Morton and Venn (1990).			LAMIACEAE
Stuckenia vaginata Turcz.	Bigsheath Pondweed	Early reports from the Niagara River (Eckel 2001), with specimens apparently at TRT. Local reports of <i>Stuckenia vaginata</i> are probably based on <i>S. filiformis</i> ssp. <i>occidentalis</i> (or hybrids of <i>S. filiformis</i> and <i>S. pectinata</i>). = <i>Potamogeton vaginatus</i> .			POTAMOGETONACEAE
Symphyotrichum ciliatum (Ledeb.) Nesom	Fringed Blue Aster	NAI database records require confirmation. Not mapped from Niagara by Semple et al. (2002). = <i>Aster ciliolatus</i> .			ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum lowrieanum (Porter) Nesom	Lowrie's Aster	Reported from "woods above Whirlpool" by Yaki (1970), but not otherwise known from Ontario (Semple et al. 2002). Probably a misidentification of <i>S. cordifolium.</i> = <i>Aster lowrieanus</i> .			ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum praealtum (Poiret) Nesom	Willow Aster	A report from Paradise Grove requires further verification. Not mapped from Niagara by Semple et al. (2002). Paradise Grove natural regeneration area, just S of village, Fort George S boundary: open Acer rubrum grass field, Quercus alba moist old woods. Edge, near river rd. to 6 ft. P. M. Eckel s.n. Oct. 6, 1997 (BUF) (Eckel. 2001). = Aster praealtus.	THR	THR	ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum prenanthoides (Muhlenb. in Willd.) Nesom	Crooked-stemmed Aster	Early unverified reports: "near Clifton, Ontario," Day (1888). Ontario, Queen Victoria Park, Panton (1890). " of the Parks," Hamilton (1943). Not mapped from Niagara by Semple et al. (2002). = Aster prenanthoides.	THR	THR	ASTERACEAE

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Symphyotrichum tradescanti (L.) Nesom	Tradescant's Aster	Reported from "cultivated ground at the School for Apprentice Gardeners [Niagara Falls]" by Hamilton (1943), though not otherwise known from Ontario (Semple et al. 2002). Probably a misidentification of S. lateriflorum or S. ontarione. = Aster tradescanti.			ASTERACEAE
Symphyotrichum undulatum (L.) Nesom	Wavy-leaved Aster	Reported by Panton (1890), Cameron (1895), and Hamilton (1943) from the Niagara Falls area, but not reliably known from Ontario (Morton and Venn 1990). = Aster undulatus.			ASTERACEAE
Thalictrum dasycarpum Fischer & Ave-Lall.	Purple Meadow-rue	Early records only; perhaps confused with T. pubescens. "(as <i>T. purpurascens</i>) "near Clifton, Canada" Day (1888). Ontario, Queen Victoria Park (as <i>T. purpurascens</i>), Panton (1890).			RANUNCULACEAE
Thuja orientalis L.	Oriental Arborvitae	Called <i>Platycladus orientalis</i> (L.) Franko by Kartesz (1999) and mapped for North America (as an introduction) only from Florida and Puerto Rico.			CUPRESSACEAE
Trillium cernuum L.	Nodding Trillium	An early report, "occasionally found in the area [Niagara Parks]" (Hamilton 1943), may be based on <i>Trillium flexipes</i> .			LILIACEAE
Triosteum perfoliatum L.	Perfoliate Tinker's Weed	Early reports may refer to <i>T. aurantiacum</i> . Niagara Glen, Hamilton, July 3, 1941 (NFO). "[Niagara] Glen," sight record, Yaki (1970).			CAPRIFOLIACEAE
Ulmus minor P. Mill.	Smooth-leaved Elm	Reported by Eckel (2001) from Dufferin Islands. According to FNA (1997), <i>Ulmus minor</i> in the strict sense is not confirmed as occurring outside cultivation in North America.			ULMACEAE
Vaccaria hispanica (P. Mill.) Rauschert	Cow-cockle	NAI database record require confirmation.			CARYOPHYLLACEAE
Veratrum viride Aiton	American False- hellebore	Day (1888), not otherwise reported from Ontario			LILIACEAE
Veronica agrestis L.	Field Speedwell	Early reports may refer to the similar <i>V. polita</i> . Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). "Fort Erie," Hamilton (1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca.1890] (NFO).			SCROPHULARIACEAE
Vicia hirsuta (L.) S.F. Gray	Hairy Vetch	Single unverified local report (NAI database).			FABACEAE
Vicia sepium L.	Hedge Vetch	Single unverified local report (see Riley et al. 1996).			FABACEAE
Viola palustris L.	Marsh Violet	Early reports unlikely: Niagara Parks System, Cameron (1895). " in the Parks," Hamilton (1943). Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, 1891 (NFO).			VIOLACEAE
Viola rafinesquii E. Greene	Wild Pansy	Unverified early report: Queen Victoria Park, Cameron, [ca.1890] (NFO).			VIOLACEAE
Xanthium spinosum L.	Spiny Cocklebur	Unverified report (Brady et al. 1980).			ASTERACEAE

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Zizia aptera (Gray) Fern.	Heart-leaved Alexanders	(as <i>Zizia cordata</i>) "Niagara Gorge," both sides, Field Club, 1894 (Eckel 2001). No supporting specimens located and not otherwise known from this part of Ontario (Argus et al. 1982-1987).			APIACEAE

10.0 List of Regionally Rare Plants as taken from Oldham 2010 Common Names Scientific Name

Sweetflag Acorus americanus Yellow Giant Hyssop Agastache nepetoides Small-flowered Agrimony Agrimonia parviflora Soft Agrimony Agrimonia pubescens Rough Hair Grass Agrostis scabra Narrow-leaved Water-plantain Alisma gramineum Short-awned Foxtail Alopecurus aequalis Water-hemp Amaranthus tuberculatus

Giant Ragweed Ambrosia trifida

Round-leaved Serviceberry Amelanchier sanguinea
Low Serviceberry Amelanchier spicata
Beach Grass Ammophila breviligulata
Pearly Everlasting Anaphalis margaritacea
White Thimbleweed Anemone virginiana var. alba

Purple-stem Angelica Angelica atropurpurea
Sicklepod Arabis canadensis
Drummond's Rock Cress Arabis drummondii
Tower Mustard Arabis glabra
Lyre-leaved Rock Cress Arabis lyrata
Bristly Sarsaparilla Aralia hispida

Green Dragon Arisaema dracontium

Sagewort Wormwood Artemisia campestris ssp. caudata

Poke Milkweed Asclepias exaltata
Butterfly Weed Asclepias tuberosa
Pawpaw Asimina triloba

Ebony Spleenwort Asplenium platyneuron
Walking Fern Asplenium rhizophyllum

Calcic Maidenhair Spleenwort Asplenium trichomanes ssp. quadrivalens

Bromus latiglumis

Schreber's Aster Aster schreberi Smooth False Foxglove Aureolaria flava Mosquito Fern Azolla caroliniana Yellow Indiao Baptisia tinctoria Yellow Bartonia Bartonia virginica Cherry Birch Betula lenta Tall Swamp Beggar-ticks Bidens coronata Small Beggar-ticks Bidens discoidea Leathery Grape Fern Botrychium multifidum Long-awned Wood Grass Brachyelytrum erectum Water-shield Brasenia schreberi

Sea-rocket Cakile edentula

Tall Bellflower Campanula americana

Marsh Bellflower Campanula aparinoides

White Spring Cress Cardamine bulbosa

Pink Spring Cress Cardamine douglassii

Natural Heritage Areas Inventory,

Tall Brome

Hybrid Toothwort Cardamine x maxima

Sharp-scaled Oak Sedge Carex albicans var. albicans
Blunt-scaled Oak Sedge Carex albicans var. emmonsii

Brown-headed Fox Sedge Carex alopecoidea Appalachian Sedge Carex appalachica Water Sedge Carex aquatilis **Drooping Wood Sedge** Carex arctata Back's Sedge Carex backii Early Fen Sedge Carex crawei Clustered Sedge Carex cumulata Awned Graceful Sedge Carex davisii Lesser Panicled Sedge Carex diandra Two-seeded Sedge Carex disperma False Golden Sedge Carex garberi

Common Bur Sedge Carex grayi
Nodding Sedge Carex gynandra
James' Sedge Carex jamesii

Slender Wood Sedge

Reflexed Sedge

Smooth-sheathed Sedge Carex laevivaginata

Spreading Wood Sedge Carex laxiculmis var. copulata

Carex gracilescens

Carex retroflexa

Few-nerved Wood Sedge Carex leptonervia
Mud Sedge Carex limosa
Distant Sedge Carex lucorum
Sallow Sedge Carex lurida

Stunted Sedge Carex magellanica ssp. irrigua

Larger Straw Sedge Carex normalis Few-fruited Sedge Carex oligocarpa Few-seeded Sedge Carex oligosperma Necklace-like Spiked Sedge Carex ormostachya Pale Sedge Carex pallescens Peck's Sedge Carex peckii Broad-leaved Wolly Sedge Carex pellita **Drooping Sedge** Carex prasina Necklace Sedge Carex projecta

Rough Sedge Carex scabrata Swamp Star Sedge Carex seorsa Long-beaked Sedge Carex sprengelii Fen Star Sedge Carex sterilis Three-seeded Sedge Carex trisperma Early Oak Sedge Carex umbellata Beaked Sedge Carex utriculata Inflated Sedge Carex vesicaria Ribbed Sedge Carex virescens Purple-tinged Sedge Carex woodii Pignut Hickory Carya glabra

Big Shellbark Hickory

American Chestnut

Indian Paintbrush

Hackberry

Sandbur

Common Coontail

Leatherleaf

Carya laciniosa

Castanea dentata

Castilleja coccinea

Celtis occidentalis

Cenchrus longispinus

Ceratophyllum demersum

Chamaedaphne calyculata

Little Ground Rose Chamaesyce nutans
Seaside Spurge Chamaesyce polygonifolia
Strawberry Blite Chenopodium capitatum
Maple-leaved Goosefoot Chenopodium simplex

Golden Saxifrage Chrysosplenium americanum

Drooping Woodreed Cinna latifolia Dwarf Enchanter's Nightshade Circaea alpina Field Thistle Cirsium discolor Swamp Thistle Cirsium muticum Twig-rush Cladium mariscoides Carolina Spring Beauty Claytonia caroliniana Hemlock-parsley Conjoselinum chinense Squawroot Conopholis americana Pallas Bugseed Corispermum pallasii Bunchberry Cornus canadensis

Eastern Flowering Dogwood Cornus florida Pale Corydalis Corydalis flavula American Hazelnut Corylus americana Fireberry Hawthorn Crataegus chrysocarpa Hawthorn Crataegus conspecta Cockspur Hawthorn Crataegus crus-galli Broad-leaf Hawthorn Crataegus dilatata Long-spined Hawthorn Crataegus macracantha

Pedicelled Hawthorn Crataegus pedicellata Emerson's Hawthorn Crataegus submollis Winged Pigweed Cycloloma atriplicifolium **Brook Nut Sedge** Cyperus bipartitus Red-rooted Nut Sedge Cyperus erythrorhizos Pink Moccasin Flower Cypripedium acaule Flat-stem Oat Grass Danthonia compressa Swamp Loosestrife Decodon verticillatus Silvery Spleenwort Deparia acrostichoides Common Hairgrass Deschampsia flexuosa

Panicled Tick-trefoil Desmodium paniculatum var. paniculatum

Crataegus mollis

Leatherwood Dirca palustris

Yellow Mandarin Disporum lanuginosum
Round-leaved Sundew Drosera rotundifolia
Clinton's Wood Fern Dryopteris clintoniana

Natural Heritage Areas Inventory,

Downy Hawthorn

Goldie's Wood Fern Dryopteris goldiana Three-way Sedge Dulichium arundinaceum Needle Spike-rush Eleocharis acicularis Elliptic Spike-rush Eleocharis elliptica Few-flowered Spike-rush Eleocharis pauciflora Small's Spike-rush Eleocharis smallii Canada Wild Rye Elymus canadensis Riverbank Wild Rye Elymus riparius

Slender Wheat Grass Elymus trachycaulus ssp. trachycaulus

Downy Wild Rye Elymus villosus

Fireweed Epilobium angustifolium
Narrow-leaved Willow-herb Epilobium leptophyllum
Water Horsetail Equisetum fluviatile
Meadow Horsetail Equisetum pratense
Sandbar Love Grass Eragrostis frankii
Pilewort Erechtites hieracifolia
Lesser Daisy Fleabane Erigeron strigosus

Sheathed Cottongrass Eriophorum vaginatum ssp. spissum

Virginia Cottongrass Eriophorum virginicum
Thin-leaved Cottongrass Eriophorum viridi-carinatum

Burning Bush Euonymus atropurpurea var. atropurpurea Purple Joe-pye-weed Eupatorium purpureum var. purpureum

False Mermaid Floerkea proserpinacoides

Pumpkin Ash Fraxinus profunda
Stiff Marsh Bedstraw Galium tinctorium
Biennial Gaura Gaura biennis

Black Huckleberry Gaylussacia baccata
Fringed Gentian Gentianopsis crinita
Spring Avens Geum vernum

Honey Locust Gleditsia triacanthos Rattlesnake Manna Grass Glyceria canadensis Fragrant Cudweed Gnaphalium obtusifolium Sneezeweed Helenium autumnale Thin-leaved Sunflower Helianthus decapetalus Sweet Ox-eye Heliopsis helianthoides Cow-parsnip Heracleum lanatum Water Star-grass Heteranthera dubia

Swamp Rose-mallow Hibiscus moscheutos ssp. moscheutos

Panicled Hawkweed Hieracium paniculatum
Shining Clubmoss Huperzia lucidula
Golden Seal Hydrastis canadensis
Pale St. John's-wort Hypericum ellipticum
Larger Canadian St. John's-wort Hypericum majus

Dwarf St. John's-wort Hypericum mutilum ssp. mutilum

Southern Blue-flag Iris virginica

Twinleaf Jeffersonia diphylla

Butternut Juglans cinerea
Sharp-fruited Rush Juncus acuminatus
Alpine Rush Juncus alpinoarticulatus

Wire Rush
Canada Rush
Water Willow
Bog Laurel
Tamarack
Lathyrus japonicus

Beach Pea Lathyrus japonicus Pale Vetchling Lathyrus ochroleucus Marsh Vetchling Lathyrus palustris Labrador Tea Ledum groenlandicum Virginia Pepper-grass Lepidium virginicum Round-headed Bush-clover Lespedeza capitata Hairy Bush-clover Lespedeza hirta Violet Bush-clover Lespedeza violacea Wood Lily Lilium philadelphicum Blue Toadflax Linaria canadensis Slender Yellow Flax Linum virginianum Loesel's Twayblade Liparis loeselii

Tulip Tree Liriodendron tulipifera

Kalm's Lobelia Lobelia kalmii
Hairy Honeysuckle Lonicera hirsuta
Many-fruited Ludwigia Ludwigia polycarpa
Common Clubmoss Lycopodium clavatum
Prickly Tree Clubmoss Lycopodium dendroideum

Virginia Water-horehound
Linear-leaved Loosestrife
Swamp Candles
Cucumber Magnolia
Three-leaved Solomon's Seal
Lycopus virginicus
Lysimachia quadriflora
Lysimachia terrestris
Magnolia acuminata
Maianthemum trifolium

White Adder's-mouth Malaxis monophyllos ssp. brachypoda

Cow-wheat Melampyrum lineare
Common Bogbean Menyanthes trifoliata
Virginia Bluebells Mertensia virginica
Wood Millet Milium effusum
Naked Mitrewort Mitella nuda
Red Mulberry Morus rubra

Niblewill Muhlenbergia schreberi

Slender Naiad Najas flexilis

Mountain-holly Nemopanthus mucronatus

Large Yellow Pond-lily

Small Yellow Pond-lily

Black Gum

Nuphar advena

Nuphar microphylla

Nyssa sylvatica

Prairie Evening-primrose Oenothera pilosella ssp. pilosella

One-flowered Cancer Root Orobanche uniflora

Ginseng Panax quinquefolius
Narrow-leaved Panic Grass Panicum linearifolium
Switch Grass Panicum virgatum
Wood-betony Pedicularis canadensis
Swamp Lousewort Pedicularis lanceolata
Purple-stem Cliff-brake Pellaea atropurpurea

Smooth Cliff-brake Pellaea glabella ssp. glabella

Sweet Coltsfoot Petasites frigidus

Broad Beech Fern Phegopteris hexagonoptera

Clammy Ground-cherry Physalis heterophylla Virginia False Dragonhead Physostegia virginiana

White Spruce Picea glauca
Black Spruce Picea mariana

Sycamore Platanus occidentalis

Grove Blue Grass Poa alsodes

Rose Pogonia Pogonia ophioglossoides

Fringed Polygala Polygala paucifolia
Field Milkwort Polygala sanguinea
Seneca Snakeroot Polygala senega
Whorled Milkwort Polygala verticillata
Smooth Solomon's Seal Polygonatum biflorum
Striate Knotweed Polygonum achoreum
Halberd-leaved Tearthumb Polygonum arifolium

Mild Water Pepper Polygonum hydropiperoides

Climbing False Buckwheat Polygonum scandens Small-flowered Leaf-cup Polymnia canadensis Rock Polypody Polypodium virginianum Pickerel-weed Pontederia cordata Ribbon-leaf Pondweed Potamogeton epihydrus Illinois Pondweed Potamogeton illinoensis Long-leaved Pondweed Potamogeton nodosus Sago Pondweed Potamogeton pectinatus Richardson's Pondweed Potamogeton richardsonii Flat-stem Pondweed Potamogeton zosteriformis

Marsh Cinquefoil Potentilla palustris
Marsh Mermaid-weed Proserpinaca palustris
American Plum Prunus americana

Sand Cherry Prunus pumila var. pumila

Shumard Oak Quercus shumardii

White Water Crowfoot Ranunculus aquatilis var. diffusus

Yellow Water Buttercup Ranunculus flabellaris

Hairy Buttercup Ranunculus hispidus var. hispidus

Poison Sumac Rhus vernix
Smooth Gooseberry Ribes hirtellum
Swamp Red Currant Ribes triste
Northern Dewberry Rubus flagellaris

Bristly Raspberry Rubus setosus **Great Water Dock** Rumex orbiculatus Swamp Dock Rumex verticillatus Sessile-fruited Arrowhead Sagittaria rigida Sage-leaved Willow Salix candida **Upland Willow** Salix humilis Shining Willow Salix lucida **Autumn Willow** Salix serissima

Water Pimpernel Samolus valerandi ssp. parviflorus Short-styled Snakeroot Sanicula canadensis var. canadensis

Large-fruited Snakeroot Sanicula trifoliata
Lizard's Tail Saururus cernuus

Little Bluestem Schizachyrium scoparium

Hardstem Bulrush

River Bulrush

Scirpus fluviatilis

Mosquito Bulrush

Small-fruited Bulrush

Common Three-square

Scirpus microcarpus

Scirpus pungens

Carpenter's Square Scrophularia marilandica

Golden Ragwort Senecio aureus

Balsam Ragwort Senecio pauperculus

Buffalo Berry Shepherdia canadensis

One-seeded Bur Cucumber Sicyos angulatus

Slender Blue-eyed Grass Sisyrinchium mucronatum

Hairy-nerved Carrion Flower Smilax Iasioneura
Common Greenbrier Smilax rotundifolia

Sharp-leaved Goldenrod Solidago arguta var. arguta

American Mountain-ash Sorbus americana

Nuttall's Bur-reed Sparganium americanum

Freshwater Cord Grass Spartina pectinata Nodding Ladies' Tresses Spiranthes cernua

Great Plains Ladies' Tresses Spiranthes magnicamporum Hooded Ladies' Tresses Spiranthes romanzoffiana Sand Dropseed Sporobolus cryptandrus Small Rush Grass Sporobolus neglectus Rough Hedge-nettle Stachys hispida Rose Twisted Stalk Streptopus roseus Trailing Wild Bean Strophostyles helvula Taenidia integerrima Yellow Pimpernel Fraser's St. John's-wort Triadenum fraseri

Marsh St. Johnswort

False Pennyroyal

Clasping Bellwort

Sand Grass

Rock Elm

Perfoliate Bellwort

Triadenum virginicum

Trichostema brachiatum

Triodanis perfoliata

Triplasis purpurea

Ulmus thomasii

Uvularia perfoliata

Sessile-leaved Bellwort

Velvetleaf Blueberry

Tape-grass

Narrow-leaved Vervain

Hoary Vervain

American Speedwell

Wild Raisin

Vuvularia sessilifolia

Vaccinium myrtilloides

Vallisneria americana

Vallisneria americana

Verbena simplex

Verbena stricta

Veronica americana

Viburnum cassinoides

Purple Vetch Vicia americana
Carolina Vetch Vicia caroliniana
Le Conte's Violet Viola affinis
Lance-leaved Violet Viola lanceolata

Smooth White Violet Viola macloskeyi ssp. pallens

Kidney-leaf Violet

Round-leaved Violet

Dotted Water Meal

Columbia Water Meal

Virginia Chain Fern

Woodwardia virginica

Horned Pondweed

Viola renifolia

Viola rotundifolia

Wolffia borealis

Wolffia columbiana

Valorement Woodwardia virginica

Zannichellia palustris

White Camass Zigadenus elegans ssp. glaucus

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Table 1. Species whose abundance does not change with the seasons in Niagara

	А	В	С	D
1	Common Name	Scientific Name	Abundance/occurrence 1966-2006	Notes
2	Canada Goose	Branta canadensis	Very common permanent resident	A few spring transients
3	Mute Swan	Cygnus olor	Rare permanent resident	
4	Chukar	Alectoris chukar	Occasional	All sightings are probably escaped birds.
5	Gray Partridge	Perdix perdix	Extirpated	Last known sighting 1995.
6	Ring-necked Pheasant	Phasianus colchicus	Introduced, rare permanent resident	
7	Ruffed Grouse	Bonasa umbellus	Rare and local permanent resident	
8	Wild Turkey	Meleagris gallopavo	Uncommon permanent resident	
				All recent sightings are probably
9	Northern Bobwhite	Colinus virginianus	Extirpated	escaped birds.
10	Rock Pigeon	Columba livia	Very common permanent resident	
11	Eastern Screech-Owl	Otus asio	Uncommon permanent resident	
12	Great Horned Owl	Bubo virginianus	Uncommon permanent resident	
13	Long-eared Owl	Asio otus	Rare permanent resident	
14	Red-bellied Woodpecker	Melanerpes carolinus	Uncommon permanent resident	
	Downy Woodpecker	Picoides pubescens	Common permanent resident	
	Hairy Woodpecker	Picoides villosus	Uncommon permanent resident	
	Pileated Woodpecker	Dryocopus pileatus	Rare and local permanent resident	
	Blue Jay	Cyanocitta cristata	Very common permanent resident	A few spring transients
	Black-capped Chickadee	Poecile atricapilla	Common permanent resident	
20	Tufted Titmouse	Baeolophus bicolor	Rare permanent resident	
		Thryothorus		
	Carolina Wren	ludovicianus	Uncommon permanent resident	
	Northern Mockingbird	Mimus polyglottos	Uncommon permanent resident	
23	European Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	Very common permanent resident	
24	Northern Cardinal	Cardinalis cardinalis	Common permanent resident	
		Carpodacus		
	House Finch	mexicanus	Common permanent resident	A few spring transients
26	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	Very common permanent resident	

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Table 2. Species which are occasional or extremely rare in Niagara.

	А	В	С	D
1	Common Name	Scientific Name	Abundance/occurrence 1966-2006	Notes
2	Fulvous Whistling-Duck	Dendrocygna bicolor	Hypothetical	One record 1962
3	Greater White-fronted Goose	Anser albifrons	Extremely rare visitor	
4	Ross's Goose	Chen rossii	Occasional visitor	
	Eurasian Wigeon	Anas penelope	Extremely rare visitor	
6	Cinnamon Teal	Anas cyanoptera	Hypothetical	One record 1953
7	Eurasian Teal	Anas carolinensis	Extremly rare visitor	
8	Tufted Duck	Aythya fuligula	Extremely rare visitor	
9	Common Eider	Somateria mollissima	Extremely rare visitor	
10	Barrow's Goldeneye	Bucephala islandica	Occasional visitor	
11	Smew	Mergellus albellus		One record 1960
12	Pacific Loon	Gavia pacifica	Extremely rare visitor	
13	Yellow-billed Loon	Gavia adamsii	Extremely rare visitor	
14	Eared Grebe	Podiceps nigricollis	Occasional visitor	
15	Western Grebe	Aechmophorus occidentalis	Extremley rare visitor	
16	Black-capped Petrel	Pterodroma hasitata	Extremly rare visitor	
17	Wilson's Storm-Petrel	Oceanites oceanicus	Extremly rare visitor	
18	Northern Gannet	Morus bassanus	Occasional visitor	
19	American White Pelican	Pelecanus erythrorhynchos	Extremley rare visitor	
20	Brown Pelican	Pelecanus occidentalis	Extremely rare visitor	
21	Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo	Extremely rare visitor	
22	Snowy Egret	Egretta thula	Occasional visitor	
23	Little Blue Heron	Egretta caerulea	Extremely rare visitor	
24	Tricolored Heron	Egretta tricolor	Extremely rare visitor	
25	Cattle Egret	Bubulcus ibis	Occasional visitor	
26	Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	Nyctanassa violacea	Extremely rare visitor	
27	Glossy Ibis	Plegadis falcinellus	Extremely rare visitor	
28	Black Vulture	Coragyps atratus	Exremely rare visitor	
29	Swallow-tailed Kite	Elanoides forficatus	Extremely rare visitor	
30	Mississippi Kite	Ictinia mississippiensis	Extremely rare visitor	
	Swainson's Hawk	Buteo swainsoni	Extremely rare visitor	
32	Ferruginous Hawk	Buteo regalis	Extremely rare visitor	
	Gyrfalcon	Falco rusticolus	Extremely rare visitor	
	Prairie Falcon	Falco mexicanus	Extremely rare visitor	
35	Yellow Rail	Coturnicops noveboracensis	Extremely rare visitor	
36	King Rail	Rallus elegans	Extremely rare visitor	

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1	Common Name	Scientific Name	Abundance/occurrence 1966-2006	Notes
37	Purple Gallinule	Porphyrio martinica	Extremly rare visitor	One record 1937
38	Piping Plover	Charadrius melodus	Extremely rare visitor	
39	American Oystercatcher	Haematopus palliatus	Exremely rare visitor	
40	Black-necked Stilt	Himantopus mexicanus	Extremely rare visitor	
41	American Avocet	Recurvirostra americana	Exremely rare visitor	
42	Wandering Tattler	Heterosceles incanus	Extremely rare visitor	
43	Spotted Redshank	Tringa erythropus	Extremely rare visitor	
44	Willet	Catoptrophorus semipalmatus	Occasional visitor	
45	Eskimo Curlew	Numenius borealis		Extinct, no Niagara records
46	Slender-billed Curlew	Numenius tenuirostris		One record 1925
47	Hudsonian Godwit	Limosa haemastica	Occasional visitor	
48	Marbled Godwit	Limosa fedoa	Extremely rare visitor	
49	Western Sandpiper	Calidris mauri	Occasional visitor	
50	Curlew Sandpiper	Calidris ferruginea	Extremely rare visitor	
51	Ruff	Philomachus pugnax	Occasional visitor	
52	Wilson's Phalarope	Phalaropus tricolor	Occasional visitor	
53	Red-necked Phalarope	Phalaropus lobatus	Extremely rare visitor	
54	Red Phalarope	Phalaropus fulicarius	Extremely rare visitor	
55	Laughing Gull	Larus atricilla	Occasional visitor	
56	Mew Gull	Larus canus	Extremely rare visitor	
57	California Gull	Larus californicus	Occasional visitor	
58	Slaty-backed Gull	Larus schistisagus	Extremely rare visitor	
59	Ross's Gull	Rhodostethia rosea	Extremely rare visitor	
60	Ivory Gull	Pagophila eburnea	Extremely rare visitor	
61	Sooty Tern	Sterna fuscata	Extremly rare visitor	
62	Least Tern	Sterna antillarum		One record 1958
63	Arctic Tern	Sterna paradisaea	Extremely rare visitor	
64	Great Skua	Stercorarius skua	Hypothetical	
65	Long-tailed Jaeger	Stercorarius longicaudus	Extremely rare visitor	
66	Dovekie	Alle alle	Extremely rare visitor	
	Thick-billed Murre	Uria Iomvia		Two records 1950 and 1951
68	Razorbill	Alca torda	Extremely rare visitor	
69	Ancient Murrelet	Synthliboramphus antiquus	Exremely rare visitor	

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1	Common Name	Scientific Name	Abundance/occurrence 1966-2006	Notes
				Last bred in Niagara
	Barn Owl	Tyto alba	Extremely rare visitor	1989
71	Northern Hawk Owl	Surnia ulula		One record 2007
72	Barred Owl	Strix varia	Extremely rare visitor	
73	Great-Gray Owl	Strix nebulosa	Extremely rare visitor	
				Extinct, last seen in Niagara in 1891, a male shot at
	Passenger Pigeon	Ectopistes migratorius		Sherkston.
	Rufous Hummingbird	Selasphorus rufus	Extremely rare visitor	
	Selasphorus Hummingbird	Selasphorus sp.	Extremely rare visitor	
	American Three-toed Woodpecker	Picoides dorsalis	Extremely rare visitor	
	Black-backed Woodpecker	Picoides arcticus	Exremely rare visitor	
79	Western Kingbird	Tyrannus verticalis	Extremely rare visitor	
	Loggerhead Shrike	Lanius Iudovicianus	Occasional transient	Bred in Niagara in the early 1960s, last known sighting 1990
	Bell's Vireo	Vireo bellii	Extremely rare visitor	
82	Gray Jay	Perisoreus canadensis	Hypothetical	
	Black-billed Magpie	Pica hudsonia Corvus corax	Hypothetical, one record	Record status questionable
	Common Raven		Extremely rare visitor	
	Cave Swallow	Petrochelidon fulva Poecile hudsonica	Extremely rare visitor	
	Boreal Chickadee		Extremely rare visitor	
	Rock Wren	Salpinctes obsoletus	Extremely rare visitor	
	Bewick's Wren Northern Wheatear	Thryomanes bewickii Oenanthe oenanthe	Extremely rare visitor	One record 1949
	Townsend's Solitaire	Myadestes townsendi	Extremely rare visitor	One record 1949
	Varied Thrush	Ixoreus naevius	Extremely rare visitor	
	Sage Thrasher	Oreoscoptes montanus	Extremely rare visitor	
	Bohemian Waxwing	Bombycilla garrulus	Occasional winter visitor	
	Black-throated Gray Warbler	Dendroica nigrescens	Extremely rare visitor	
	Yellow-throated Warbler	Dendroica dominica	Extremely rare visitor	
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90	Kentucky Warbler	Oporornis formosus	Extremely rare visitor	

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1 Common Name	Scientific Name	Abundance/occurrence 1966-2006	Notes
97 Summer Tanager	Piranga rubra	Extremely rare visitor	
98 Western Tanager	Piranga ludoviciana	Extremely rare visitor	
99 Green-tailed Towhee	Pipilo chlorurus		One record 1954
100 Spotted Towhee	Pipilo maculatus	Extremely rare visitor	
101 Clay-colored Sparrow	Spizella pallida	Occasional visitor	
102 Lark Sparrow	Chondestes grammacus	Extremely rare visitor	
103 Lark Bunting	Calamospiza melanocorys	Extremely rare visitor	
104 Henslow's Sparrow	Ammodramus henslowii	Extremely rare visitor	
105 Le Conte's Sparrow	Ammodramus leconteii	Hypothetical	
106 Harris's Sparrow	Zonotrichia querula	Extremely rare visitor	
107 Black-headed Grosbeak	Pheucticus melanocephalus	Hypothetical	
108 Painted Bunting	Passerina ciris	Extremely rare visitor	
109 Dickcissel	Spiza americana	Occasional visitor	
110 Western Meadowlark	Sturnella neglecta	Extremly rare visitor	
111 Yellow-headed Blackbird	Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus	Extremely rare visitor	
112 Brewer's Blackbird	Euphagus cyanocephalus	Extremely rare visitor	
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Table 3. Species whose abundance changes with the seasons in Niagara.

	А	В	С	D	Е	F
1	Common Name	Scientific Name	Spring transients	Summer	Fall transients	Winter
2	Snow Goose	Chen caerulescens	Rare transient		Rare transient	Occasional straggler
3	Brant	Branta bernicla	Transient	Extremely rare straggler	Rare transient	Ocasional straggler
4	Cackling Goose	Branta hutchinsii			Rare transient	Rare straggler
5	Trumpeter swan	Cygnus buccinator				Rare visitor
					Uncommon	Uncommon to rare
6	Tundra Swan	Cygnus columbianus	Uncommon transient		transient	resident
					Uncommon	
7	Wood Duck	Aix sponsa	Uncommon transient	Uncommon resident	transient	Occasional straggler
8	Gadwall	Anas strepera	Transient	Occasional resident	Transient	Rare straggler
					Uncommon	
9	American Wigeon	Anas americana	Uncommon transient	Rare resident	transient	Rare straggler
10	American Black Duck	Anas rubripes	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
11	Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	Transient	Common resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
12	Blue-winged Teal	Anas discors	Uncommon transient	Rare resident	Transient	Extremely rare straggler
					Uncommon	
13	Northern Shoveler	Anas clypeata	Uncommon transient	Occasional resident	transient	Occasional straggler
					Uncommon	
14	Northern Pintail	Anas acuta	Uncommon transient	Extremely rare resident	transient	Rare straggler
					Uncommon	
15	Green-winged Teal	Anas crecca	Uncommon transient	Occasional resident	transient	Occasional straggler
16	Canvasback	Aythya valisineria				Very common resident
				Occasional resident or	Uncommon	Rare to uncommon
17	Redhead	Aythya americana	Uncommon transient	straggler	transient	resident
					Uncommon	
	Ring-necked Duck	Aythya collaris	Uncommon transient		transient	Rare straggler
19	Greater Scaup	Aythya marila				Very common resident
					Uncommon	
20	Lesser Scaup	Aythya affinis	Uncommon transient		transient	Uncommon resident
21	King Eider	Somateria spectabilis				Rare visitor
22	Harlequin Duck	Histrionicus histrionicus				Rare visitor
	·				Uncommon	
23	Surf Scoter	Melanitta perspicillata	Rare transient		transient	Rare resident

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	А	В	С	D	Е	F
1	Common Name	Scientific Name	Spring transients	Summer	Fall transients	Winter
					Very common	
24	White-winged Scoter	Melanitta fusca	Common transient	Occasional visitor	transient	Common resident
					Uncommon	
25	Black Scoter	Melanitta nigra	Rare transient		transient	Rare resident
					Uncommon	
26	Long-tailed Duck	Clangula hyemalis	Uncommon transient	Rare visitor	transient	Very common resident
					Common	
27	Bufflehead	Bucephala albeola	Common transient	Occasional visitor	transient	Very common resident
28	Common Goldeneye	Bucephala clangula		Rare visitor		Very common resident
					Uncommon	
	Hooded Merganser	Lophodytes cucullatus	Uncommon transient	Rare visitor and resident	transient	Uncommon resident
30	Common Merganser	Mergus merganser		Rare resident or visitor		Very common resident
			Very common		Very common	
31	Red-breasted Merganser	Mergus serrator	transient	Rare resident or visitor	transient	Very common resident
					Uncommon	
32	Ruddy Duck	Oxyura jamaicensis	Uncommon transient	Rare summer straggler	transient	Rare straggler
					Rare or	
			Rare or uncommon		uncommon	
33	Red-throated Loon	Gavia stellata	transient	Extremely rare straggler	transient	Rare straggler
					Uncommon	
	Common Loon	Gavia immer	Uncommon transient	Occasional straggler	transient	Rare straggler
35	Pied-billed Grebe	Podilymbus podiceps	Transient	Rare resident	Transient	Rare straggler
					Uncommon	
	Horned Grebe	Podiceps auritus	Uncommon transient	Rare visitor	transient	Rare visitor
_	Red-necked Grebe	Podiceps grisegena	Rare transient		Rare transient	Rare straggler
	Double-crested Cormorant			Very common resident		Rare straggler
39	American Bittern	Botaurus lentiginosus		Rare and local resident		Extremely rare straggler
40	Least Bittern	Ixobrychus exilis		Rare and local resident		
41	Great Blue Heron	Ardea herodias		Uncommon resident		Rare straggler
42	Great Egret	Ardea alba		Rare resident		
43	Green Heron	Butorides virescens		Uncommon resident		
44	Black-crowned Night-Heror			Uncommon resident		Occasional straggler
45	Turkey Vulture	Cathartes aura	Common transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Occasional straggler
46	Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	Uncommon transient	Occasional transient	Transient	Extremely rare straggler

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1	Common Name	Scientific Name	Spring transients	Summer	Fall transients	Winter
		Haliaeetus				
47	Bald Eagle	leucocephalus	Uncommon transient	Rare resident		Rare resident
48	Northern Harrier	Circus cyaneus	Common transient	Rare resident		Rare resident
49	Sharp-shinned Hawk	Accipiter striatus	Common transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
50	Cooper's Hawk	Accipiter cooperii	Common transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
					Occasional	
51	Northern Goshawk	Accipiter gentilis	Uncommon transient		transient	Occasional resident
52	Red-shouldered Hawk	Buteo lineatus	Common transient	Rare resident		Occasional resident
					Common	
53	Broad-winged Hawk	Buteo platypterus	Common transient	Occasional straggler	transient	
					Common	
54	Red-tailed Hawk	Buteo jamaicensis	Common transient	Uncommon resident	transient	Uncommon resident
55	Rough-legged Hawk	Buteo lagopus	Common transient			Rare resident
56	Golden Eagle	Aquila chrysaetos	Rare transient			
57	American Kestrel	Falco sparverius	Common transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
	Merlin	Falco columbarius	Uncommon transient			Rare straggler
59	Peregrine Falcon	Falco peregrinus	Rare transient	Rare resident		Rare resident
60	Virginia Rail	Rallus limicola		Rare and local resident		Extremely rare straggler
61	Sora	Porzana carolina		Uncommon resident		
62	Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus	Transient	Rare and local resident	Transient	
					Uncommon	
63	American Coot	Fulica americana	Uncommon transient	Rare and local resident	transient	Rare straggler
64	Sandhill Crane	Grus canadensis	Rare transient	Extremely rare resident	Transient	
					Uncommon	
65	Black-bellied Plover	Pluvialis squatarola	Transient	Uncommon transient	transient	Extremely rare straggler
					Uncommon	
66	American Golden-Plover	Pluvialis dominica	Transient	Uncommon transient	transient	
		Charadrius			Common	
67	Semipalmated Plover	semipalmatus	Transient	Common transient	transient	
68	Killdeer	Charadrius vociferus		Common resident		Occasional straggler
69	Spotted Sandpiper	Actitis macularia		Common resident		
					Uncommon	
70	Solitary Sandpiper	Tringa solitaria	Transient	Uncommon transient	transient	
					Uncommon	
71	Greater Yellowlegs	Tringa melanoleuca	Transient	Uncommon transient	transient	

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1	Common Name	Scientific Name	Spring transients	Summer	Fall transients	Winter
					Common	
72	Lesser Yellowlegs	Tringa flavipes	Transient	Common transient	transient	
73	Upland Sandpiper	Bartramia longicauda		Rare resident		
74	Whimbrel	Numenius phaeopus	Rare transient	Rare transient	Rare transient	
					Uncommon	
75	Ruddy Turnstone	Arenaria interpres	Transient	Uncommon transient	transient	
76	Red Knot	Calidris canutus	Transient	Rare transient	Rare transient	
					Common	
77	Sanderling	Calidris alba	Transient	Common transient	transient	
					Common	
78	Semipalmated Sandpiper	Calidris pusilla	Transient	Common transient	transient	
					Common	
79	Least Sandpiper	Calidris minutilla	Transient	Common transient	transient	
					Uncommon	
80	White-rumped Sandpiper	Calidris fuscicollis	Transient	Uncommon transient	transient	
					Uncommon	
81	Baird's Sandpiper	Calidris bairdii		Uncommon transient	transient	
					Common	
82	Pectoral Sandpiper	Calidris melanotos	Transient	Common transient	transient	
			Extremely rare			
83	Purple Sandpiper	Calidris maritima	transient		Rare transient	Rare straggler
					Common	
84	Dunlin	Calidris alpina	Transient	Common transient	transient	Rare straggler
			Extremely rare			
	Stilt Sandpiper	Calidris himantopus	transient	Rare transient	Rare transient	
86	Buff-breasted Sandpiper	Tryngites subruficollis		Rare transient	Rare transient	
					Uncommon	
87	Short-billed Dowitcher	Limnodromus griseus	Transient	Uncommon transient	transient	
		Limnodromus				
	Long-billed Dowitcher	scolopaceus			Rare transient	
	Wilson's Snipe	Gallinago delicata		Uncommon resident		Extremely rare straggler
90	American Woodcock	Scolopax minor		Uncommon resident		Extremely rare straggler
					Occasional	
	Franklin's Gull	Larus pipixcan			transient	Occasional straggler
92	Little Gull	Larus minutus	Uncommon transient		Rare transient	Rare transient

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	А	В	С	D	E	F
1	Common Name	Scientific Name	Spring transients	Summer	Fall transients	Winter
					Occasional	
93	Black-headed Gull	Larus ridibundus	Occasional transient		transient	Occasional transient
94	Bonaparte's Gull	Larus philadelphia	Transient	Rare straggler	Transient	Very common resident
95	Ring-billed Gull	Larus delawarensis		Very common resident		Very common resident
96	Herring Gull	Larus smithsonianus		Uncommon resident		Very common resident
					Uncommon	
97	Thayer's Gull	Larus thayeri			transient	Uncommon transient
					Uncommon	
98	Iceland Gull	Larus glaucoides	Rare transient		transient	Uncommon resident
					Uncommon	
99	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Larus fuscus	Rare transient		transient	Uncommon transient
100	Glaucous Gull	Larus hyperboreus	Rare transient		Rare transient	Rare resident
101	Great Black-backed Gull	Larus marinus		Rare resident		Uncommon resident
					Occasional	
102	Sabine's Gull	Xema sabini			transient	Occasional transient
					Occasional	
103	Black-legged Kittiwake	Rissa tridactyla			transient	Occasional transient
104	Caspian Tern	Sterna caspia		Uncommon resident		
105	Black Tern	Chlidonias niger	Rare transient	Last bred (1988)	Rare transient	
	Common Tern	Sterna hirundo	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
107	Forster's Tern	Sterna forsteri	Rare transient		Rare transient	
108	Pomarine Jaeger	Stercorarius pomarinus			Rare transient	
	Parasitic Jaeger	Stercorarius parasiticus			Rare transient	
	Mourning Dove	Zenaida macroura		Very common resident		Common resident
111	Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Coccyzus americanus		Uncommon resident		
		Coccyzus				
	Black-billed Cuckoo	erythropthalmus		Uncommon resident		
	Snowy Owl	Nyctea scandiaca				Rare transient
	Short-eared Owl	Asio flammeus		Rare and local resident		Rare resident
	Boreal Owl	Aegolius funereus				Occasional transient
	Northern Saw-whet Owl	Aegolius acadicus		Occasional resident		Rare resident
	Common Nighthawk	Chordeiles minor	Rare transient	Rare resident	Rare transient	
118	Whip-poor-will	Caprimulgus vociferus		Rare and local resident		

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	А	В	С	D	E	F
1	Common Name	Scientific Name	Spring transients	Summer	Fall transients	Winter
					Uncommon	
119	Chimney Swift	Chaetura pelagica	Common transient	Uncommon resident	transient	
120	Ruby-throated Hummingbi	Archilochus colubris	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
121	Belted Kingfisher	Ceryle alcyon		Uncommon resident		Rare straggler
		Melanerpes				
122	Red-headed Woodpecker	erythrocephalus	Transient	Rare and local resident	Transient	
				Occasional summer		
123	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	Sphyrapicus varius	Uncommon transient	straggler	Transient	Occasional straggler
124	Northern Flicker	Colaptes auratus	Common transient	Common resident	Transient	Rare straggler
125	Olive-sided Flycatcher	Contopus cooperi	Occasional transient		Transient	
126	Eastern Wood-Pewee	Contopus virens	Transient	Common resident	Transient	
127	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	Empidonax flaviventris	Rare transient		Transient	
				Rare resident and	Extremely rare	
128	Acadian Flycatcher S	Empidonax virescens	Occasional transient	straggler	transient	
129	Alder Flycatcher	Empidonax alnorum	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
130	Willow Flycatcher	Empidonax traillii	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
131	Least Flycatcher	Empidonax minimus	Uncommon transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
132	Eastern Phoebe	Sayornis phoebe	Transient	Common resident	Transient	Extremely rare straggler
133	Great Crested Flycatcher	Myiarchus crinitus	Transient	Common resident	Transient	
	Eastern Kingbird	Tyrannus tyrannus	Transient	Common resident	Transient	
135	Northern Shrike	Lanius excubitor				Rare resident
				Occasional straggler and	Extremely rare	
	White-eyed Vireo	Vireo griseus	Occasional straggler	resident	transient	
137	Yellow-throated Vireo	Vireo flavifrons	Rare transient	Rare and local resident	Rare transient	
138	Blue-headed Vireo	Vireo solitarius	Uncommon transient	Extremely rare resident	Transient	
	Warbling Vireo	Vireo gilvus	Common transient	Common resident	Transient	
140	Philadelphia Vireo	Vireo philadelphicus	Rare transient		Transient	
141	Red-eyed Vireo	Vireo olivaceus	Transient	Common resident	Transient	
	American Crow	Corvus brachyrhynchos	Transient	Common resident	Transient	Common resident
	Horned Lark	Eremophila alpestris	Transient	Common resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
144	Purple Martin	Progne subis	Transient	Very common resident	Transient	
145	Tree Swallow	Tachycineta bicolor	Transient	Very common resident	Transient	
		Stelgidopteryx				
146	Northern Rough-winged Sv	serripennis	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Extremely rare straggler

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147	Bank Swallow	Riparia riparia	Transient	Very common resident	Transient	
148	Cliff Swallow	Petrochelidon pyrrhonota	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
149	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	Transient	Very common resident	Transient	
					Uncommon	
150	Red-breasted Nuthatch	Sitta canadensis	Uncommon transient	Rare resident	transient	Uncommon resident
					Common	
151	White-breasted Nuthatch	Sitta carolinensis	Common transient	Uncommon resident	transient	Common resident
152	Brown Creeper	Certhia americana	Uncommon transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Rare resident
153	House Wren	Troglodytes aedon	Transient	Common resident	Transient	Extremely rare straggler
154	Winter Wren	Troglodytes troglodytes	Uncommon transient	Rare and local resident	Transient	Rare resident
155	Sedge Wren	Cistothorus platensis	Transient	Rare and local resident	Transient	
156	Marsh Wren	Cistothorus palustris	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
157	Golden-crowned Kinglet	Regulus satrapa	Common transient	Extremely rare resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
158	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Regulus calendula	Common transient	Extremely rare resident	Transient	Occasional straggler
159	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	Polioptila caerulea	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Extremely rare straggler
160	Eastern Bluebird	Sialia sialis	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Rare resident
	Veery	Catharus fuscescens	Uncommon transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
162	Gray-cheeked Thrush	Catharus minimus	Rare transient		Transient	
163	Swainson's Thrush	Catharus ustulatus	Uncommon transient		Transient	
						Occasional winter
	Hermit Thrush	Catharus guttatus	Uncommon transient		Transient	straggler
	Wood Thrush	Hylocichla mustelina	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Extremely rare straggler
166	American Robin	Turdus migratorius	Transient	Very common resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
167	Gray Catbird	Dumetella carolinensis	Transient	Common resident	Transient	Occasional straggler
168	Brown Thrasher	Toxostoma rufum	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Occasional straggler
					Uncommon	
169	American Pipit	Anthus rubescens	Uncommon transient		transient	Occasional straggler
	Cedar Waxwing	Bombycilla cedrorum	Transient	Common resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
171	Blue-winged Warbler	Vermivora pinus	Uncommon transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
172	Golden-winged Warbler	Vermivora chrysoptera	Rare transient	Extremely rare resident	Transient	
	Tennessee Warbler	Vermivora peregrina	Common transient		Transient	
	Orange-crowned Warbler	Vermivora celata	Rare transient		Transient	Extremely rare straggler
175	Nashville Warbler	Vermivora ruficapilla	Common transient	Rare and local resident	Transient	Extremely rare straggler

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	Northern Parula	Parula americana	Uncommon transient	Extremely rare straggler	Transient	
177	Yellow Warbler	Dendroica petechia	Transient	Common resident	Transient	Extremely rare straggler
	Chestnut-sided Warbler	Dendroica pensylvanica	Common transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
	Magnolia Warbler	Dendroica magnolia	Common transient		Transient	
180	Cape May Warbler	Dendroica tigrina	Rare transient		Transient	
181	Black-throated Blue Warble	Dendroica caerulescens	Common transient	Extremely rare straggler	Transient	
			Very common		Very common	
182	Yellow-rumped Warbler	Dendroica coronata	transient		transient	Rare winter straggler
183	Black-throated Green Warl	Dendroica virens	Common transient	Extremely rare straggler	Transient	
	Blackburnian Warbler	Dendroica fusca	Uncommon transient	Extremely rare straggler	Transient	
185	Pine Warbler	Dendroica pinus	Uncommon transient		Transient	Occasional straggler
				Extremely rare summer		
	Prairie Warbler	Dendroica discolor	Occasional straggler	straggler		
	Palm Warbler	Dendroica palmarum	Common transient		Transient	Extremely rare straggler
	Bay-breasted Warbler	Dendroica castanea	Uncommon transient		Transient	
189	Blackpoll Warbler N/S	Dendroica striata	Uncommon transient		Transient	
				Rare and local resident		
				(last known breeding		
190	Cerulean Warbler S	Dendroica cerulea	Rare transient	1983)		
191	Black-and-white Warbler	Mniotilta varia	Uncommon transient	Extremely rare straggler	Transient	
192	American Redstart	Setophaga ruticilla	Common transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Extremely rare straggler
				Extremely rare summer	Extremely rare	
193	Prothonotary Warbler	Protonotaria citrea	Occasional transient	straggler	transient	
	Worm-eating Warbler	Helmitheros vermivorus	Occasional transient			
195	Ovenbird N/S	Seiurus aurocapilla	Uncommon transient		Transient	
196	Northern Waterthrush	Seiurus noveboracensis	Uncommon transient		Transient	

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				Extremley rare straggler		
				(last known breeding	Extremely rare	
197	Louisiana Waterthrush	Seiurus motacilla	Occasional straggler	1960)	transient	
198	Connecticut Warbler	Oporornis agilis	Occasional transient		Transient	
199	Mourning Warbler	Oporornis philadelphia	Uncommon transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
200	Common Yellowthroat	Geothlypis trichas	Common transient	Common resident	Transient	Extremely rare straggler
					Extremely rare	
201	Hooded Warbler	Wilsonia citrina		Rare and local resident	transient	
202	Wilson's Warbler	Wilsonia pusilla	Uncommon transient		Transient	
203	Canada Warbler	Wilsonia canadensis	Uncommon transient	Occasional resident	Transient	
204	Yellow-breasted Chat	Icteria virens	Occasional transient	Rare and local resident		Extremely rare straggler
205	Scarlet Tanager	Piranga olivacea	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
		5				
	Eastern Towhee	Pipilo erythrophthalmus	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Occasional straggler
	American Tree Sparrow	Spizella arborea				Common resident
	Chipping Sparrow	Spizella passerina	Transient	Common resident	Transient	Occasional straggler
	Field Sparrow	Spizella pusilla	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Occasional straggler
210	Vesper Sparrow	Pooecetes gramineus	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Extremely rare straggler
		Passerculus				
211	Savannah Sparrow	sandwichensis	Transient	Very common resident	Transient	Occasional straggler
		Ammodramus		Common and local		
	Grasshopper Sparrow	savannarum	Occasional transient	resident	Transient	
	Fox Sparrow	Passerella iliaca	Rare transient		Rare transient	Occasional straggler
	Song Sparrow	Melospiza melodia	Transient	Very common resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
	Lincoln's Sparrow	Melospiza lincolnii	Rare transient	Occasional resident	Rare transient	
216	Swamp Sparrow	Melospiza georgiana	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Rare straggler
			Very common		Very common	
217	White-throated Sparrow	Zonotrichia albicollis	transient	Occasional straggler	transient	Uncommon resident
					Common	
	White-crowned Sparrow	Zonotrichia leucophrys	Common transient		transient	Uncommon resident
	Dark-eyed Junco	Junco hyemalis				Common resident
	Lapland Longspur	Calcarius Iapponicus				Rare transient
221	Snow Bunting	Plectrophenax nivalis				Uncommon transient
222	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	Pheucticus Iudovicianus	Transient	Common resident		Extremely rare straggler

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223	Indigo Bunting	Passerina cyanea	Transient	Common resident		
224	Bobolink	Dolichonyx oryzivorus	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	
225	Red-winged Blackbird	Agelaius phoeniceus	Transient	Very common resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
226	Eastern Meadowlark	Sturnella magna	Transient	Uncommon resident	Transient	Occasional straggler
	Rusty Blackbird	Euphagus carolinus	Uncommon transient		Uncommon transient	Rare resident
228	Common Grackle	Quiscalus quiscula	Transient	Very common resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
229	Brown-headed Cowbird	Molothrus ater	Transient	Very common resident	Transient	Uncommon resident
	Orchard Oriole	lcterus spurius	Transient	Uncommon-rare resident		
	Baltimore Oriole	Icterus galbula	Common transient	Common resident	Transient	Extremely rare straggler
	Pine Grosbeak	Pinicola enucleator				Occasional transient
233	Purple Finch	Carpodacus purpureus	Rare transient	Occasional resident		Rare resident
234	Red Crossbill	Loxia curvirostra				Occasional transient, last record 1980
235	White-winged Crossbill	Loxia leucoptera				Occasional transient
236	Common Redpoll	Carduelis flammea				Rare transient
237	Hoary Redpoll	Carduelis hornemanni				Occasional transient
238	Pine Siskin	Carduelis pinus				Uncommon transient
239	American Goldfinch	Carduelis tristis		Common resident		Uncommon resident
		Coccothraustes				
240	Evening Grosbeak	vespertinus				Occasional transient

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No.	Species Name	First Atlas		Second	d Atlas			
	•	POSS PROB	CONF	POSS	PROB	CONF	% Change	Second Atlas Comments
								*The bird was observed in the summer of 2002. The exact
								date is unknown. It is possible that it was a Trumpeter
11	Tundra Swan							Swan.
12	Wood Duck	2 4	13	2	4	17	24	4
								*A pair of birds were observed on May 1, 2003 in 17PH45.
13	Gadwall		2		1		-50	A single bird was observed on July 16, 2004 in 17PH47.
								*A pair of birds were observed on May 1, 2003 in 17PH45.
								Single birds were observed on April 27, 2001 in 17PH59
15	American Wigeon		1		1		(and June 11, 2002 in 17PH75.
16	American Black Duck	1 1	6	1	3			4
17	Mallard	2	2 22		1	24		4
18	Blue-winged Teal	2	9	3	4	4	-2	
								Fledged young were observed on the Vanderliek pond
								north of Bismark(17PH26) and fledged young were
20	Northern Shoveler			1		2	NEW	observed on the Lake Erie shore in 17PH64.
								*A single bird was observed on May 30, 2004 in 17PH35. A
23	Green-winged Teal	2 2	2	2				single bird was observed in May of 2002 in 17PH44.
								*Confirmed in first atlas but not observed in the second
25	Redhead		1				LOST	atlas.
0.4	M(I)							*A single bird was observed in the old canals near
34	White-winged Scoter							Allenberg north of Highway 20 on July 13, 2003.(17PH47)
								*A single bird was observed on June 23 in 17PH47. A
								single bird was observed on June 20, 2002 at Navy Island
4.4	III I. I. I. M	4						(17PH66). A single bird was observed on May 27, 2001 in
41	Hooded Merganser	1		2				17PH48.
								*Three birds were observed on a point count on June 20,
40	Common Marganas							2002 at the end of the control weir above Niagara
	Common Merganser	ur .						Falls.(17PH57) *Navy Island July 2, 2004.(17PH66)
43	Red-breasted Merganse	;I				1		*Possible in the first atlas but not observed in the second
11	Buddy Duok	4						atlas.
44	Ruddy Duck	I						alias.

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No.	Species Name	First A	Atlas		Second	Atlas			
	-	POSS	PROB	CONF	POSS	PROB	CONF	% Change	Second Atlas Comments
									Confirmed in one square in the first atlas but not observed
									in the second atlas. The last birds observed in the region
									were seen near Sann Road north of the QEW in January of
45b	Gray Partridge		2	1				LOSS	1988.
									It is not clear if any of these birds are native or have been
46	Ring-necked Pheasant	2	8	14	4	8	7	-32	released recently.
									*Oberved in 17PH27(2004) and 17PH27(2005). These are
	Chukar	_		_					presumably released birds and were rejected in the atlas.
47	Ruffed Grouse	2	4	9		9	1	-23	
									O hatadial languagia Basadia O a assa Tada a
									Substantial Increase in Breeding Squares. Turkeys
	1471 I T						40		fromNew York and Vermont were reintroduced by the
53	Wild Turkey				2	4	18	Gain	MNR(AY) into Short Hills Provincial Park (17PH37) in 1986
									*A single bird was observed on March 25, 2005 in 17PH55.
									It was not found on subsequent visits to the area. This bird
5.1	Northern Bobwhite			1	1			LOSS	was confrimed in the first atlas in one square.
34	Nottrieffi bobwilite							L000	*A single bird was observed on a point count on June 13,
57	Common Loon								2003 at Point Abino.(17PH54)
	Pied-billed Grebe	2	1	3		3	3	50	
		_							
									A colony of birds has existed on Mohawk Island for some
									years (17PH24). Recently (2003)a few birds nested at the
									mouth of the canal on the west side of the piers (17PH48).
									Cormorants were first observed nesting on the breakwall at
76	Double-crested Cormora	ant		1			3	200	Port Colburne in 2004 (17PH44).
									*Probable are a calling bird in 17PH35 in 2001 in the
									breeding season and a calling bird at Mud Lake(17PH45)
79	American Bittern	3	2	1	3	2		LOSS	in 2001 in the breeding season.
									Birds bred at Mud Lake (17PH45) and the Glendale
80	Least Bittern	2	1	1		1	1	0	Lagoons (17PH47).
									Confirmed in 17PH24,25,26,27,37 and 54. Confirmed in
81	Great Blue Heron	12		3	12		6	100	three squares in the first atlas.

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No.	Species Name	First A	tlas		Second	Atlas		
		POSS	PROB	CONF	POSS	PROB	CONF % Cha	nge Second Atlas Comments
								*Observed in 9 squares. These birds first nested on Motor
								Island, located on the U.S. side of the Niagara River, in
								1995. In 1995 there were two nests. In 2005 there were
								approximately 20 nests. We searched for, but did not find,
82	Great Egret							evidence of breeding in Region 11.
								*A single bird was observed in a field with cattle just west of
								the intersection of Regional Road 3 and King Street in
								17PH24 in the summer of 2004. A single bird showed up at
								the same location on June 22, 2005 and a second bird
								showed up on June 27. The last date either bird was seen
								was on the morning of July 3.No birds were found in the
86	Cattle Egret							afternoon or on subsequent dates.
	Green Heron	6	3	15	6	9	9	0
								Colonies have been on the small islands above Niagara
								Falls for many years. In 2004 birds nested on the breakwall
								at Port Colburne(17PH44). Double-crested Cormorants
88	Black-crowned Night-He	4		3			2	-33 pushed them out in 2005.
95	Turkey Vulture	4	12	2	6	12	6	29
								*A single bird was observed on a point count not far from
								Lake Ontario near Niagara-on-the Lake on May 25,
								2005.(17PH59). In 2004 a pair of Osprey built a nest on the
96	Osprey							feeder canal in Port Maitland just west of Region 11
								A pair of birds nested at the north end of Navy Island
								(17PH66) in the summer of 2005. According to the
99	Bald Eagle	1					1 GAIN	MNR(AY) Bald Eagles last nested on Navy Island in 1952.
100	Northern Harrier	4	4	8	6	6	4	-17
	Sharp-shinned Hawk		2		7	4		550 Substantial Increase in Breeding Squares
102	Cooper's Hawk				3	3	16 Gain	
								*A single bird was observed on August 1, 2002 in 17PH46.
								A pair of birds were recorded by MNR in April of 2000 at
103	Northern Goshawk							Ball's Falls(17PH37).

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		POSS PROB	CONF	POSS	PROB	CONF	% Change	Second Atlas Comments
								A pair of birds nested in the woodlot on the abandoned
								firing range in Niagara-on-the Lake(17PH59) for the entire
								atlas period. A bird was observed for several weeks in
								17PH54. A pair of Red-shouldered Hawks were first
								observed in Fonthill(17PH36) about 1990 when a housing
								subvdivision was set up in an area they had nested in for
								some years (dates unknown) They last last nested in
104	Red-shouldered Hawk	2		2	1	1	Gain	Fonthill in 1998.
								*A single bird was observed in 17PH25 on June 1, 2002. It
105	Broad-winged Hawk			1				was not seen on subsequent visits to the square that year.
	Red-tailed Hawk	3	3 21	1	3	20	-4	
112	American Kestrel	1 3	3 20	3	5	14	-17	7
								The first nest of these birds in the Niagara Peninsula in
								many years was below Niagara Falls on the rockface by the
								Refractory Restaurant in 1998 (17PH57). A pair of birds
								nested in downtown St. Catharines in 2001. A pair of birds
								first nested in the grain elevators at the Port Colburne
								entrance to the Welland canal in 2003 (17PH44). they are
	Peregrine Falcon						Gain	still nesting in 2006.
	Virginia Rail	3 2					60	> *Easily heard in suitable habitat.
121	Sora	1 5	5 2	4	4	4	14	4
								Birds on territory on Glendale Lagoons (17PH47) and
123	Common Moorhen	2 1	4	1		2	-60	fledged young on the ponds at Port Weller east 17PH48).
								Confirmed in St.David's Lagoons (17PH58), the Port Weller
								east pond (17PH48), the Glendale Lagoons(17PH47) and
								the ponds west of the pond on Cement Plant
124	American Coot	2	4	3		4	(Road.(17PH34)
								A pair of birds was observed in 17PH65 in 2001. A pair of
								these birds was first noted in 1995 in the square. No one
								has searched for the nest of these birds. During the atlas
								there were sightings outside the square so it is possible
	Sandhill Crane			1	1	1	Gain	that there is more than one pair in Region 11.
134	Killdeer		24	1	1	23		

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		POSS	PROB	CONF	POSS	PROB	CONF	% Change	Second Atlas Comments
138	Spotted Sandpiper	1			1		13		
145	Upland Sandpiper		6	10	2	6	4	-38	
172	Wilson's Snipe	2	12	4	4	12	2	-13	
173	American Woodcock		9	11	1	18	4	10	
181	Bonaparte's Gull								*Late dates June 10(17PH24) and June 12(17PH48). On June 15 of 2006 there were 15 birds loafing along the shoreline in 17PH34.
184	Ring-billed Gull			3	1		5	67	Colonies at Mohawk Island (17PH24), the Port Colburne breakwall and the east peir of the Welland canal (17PH44), Lock1 on the Welland Canal(17PH48) and above Niagara Falls on a small island (17PH57). Four pairs nested on a small island below Queenston in 17PH58.
186	Herring Gull	1		2			4	100	Small numbers of breeding birds at the mouth of the Welland canal by Lock 1(17PH48) and the islands in the river above Niagara Falls(17PH57). Larger colonies at Mohawk Island (17PH24) and the Port Colburne breakwall (17PH44).
	<u> </u>								Single pair nested on the Port Colburne breakwall
192	Great Black-backed Gul	1					1	Gain	(17PH44). Observed 1999, 2001 and 2002.
199	Caspian Tern	1					1	not Niagara region	Caspian Terns were present on Mohawk Island (17PH24) during the entire atlas period. *Confirmed in the first atlas. Not observed in the breeding
200	Black Tern	1	1	2				LOSS	months in the second atlas. Last observed breeding at Mud Lake(17PH45) in 1982.
									A colony of Common terns has bred on the Port Colburne breakwall for many years (17PH44). Recently the bulk of the birds have left Port Colburne. A few birds have nested on the breakwall above the control weir on the Niagara
	Common Tern	2		1			2		River (17PH57)
	Rock Pigeon		3			6	17	-8	
	Mourning Dove		1			3	22	0	
	Yellow-billed Cuckoo	4			3		3	38	
227	Black-billed Cuckoo	6	8	6	9	6	7	-7	

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		POSS	PROB	CONF	POSS	PROB	CONF % Ch	ange	Second Atlas Comments
									*A single bird was observed flying overhead in Port
									Colburne in July (exact date unknown) 2001.(17PH44). The
									last known breeding record for this species was an
									unsuccessful attempt by a pair of Barn Owls to breed just
									outside of Smithville in 1989. (This is just west of Region
229	Barn Owl			2	1		LOSS	;	11) It may be in the Niagara region?
	Eastern Screech-Owl	1	9		4	12	8	-9	
231	Great Horned Owl	1	3	20		6	18	4	
									Confirmed in the Chippewa Creek Conservation Area in
									2001(17PH26). A pair of birds was observed in a
									coniferous woodlot on the Niagara parkway in 2003
									(17PH66). A probable breeder was observed on several
237	Long-eared Owl	1	1	3	1	2	1	-25	occasions in 17PH65.
									*A displaying bird was observed in 17PH35 on April 11,
									2001. It was not seen on subsequent visits. The fields
									where it was seen were first cultivated in 2002. This was a
									site where Short-eared Owls had been present for many
									years in the winter before the atlas began. They were not
									seen following the cultivation. In the summer of 2004 birds
									were observed in 17PH27 and a single bird was observed
									in April of 2005 in 17PH27. Confirmed in two squares in the
238	Short-eared Owl	1		2		2	LOSS	;	first atlas.
									*Confirmed in the first atlas but not observed in the second
240	Northern Saw-whet Owl			1			LOS	Γ	atlas.
									*Probable birds were reported from 17PH59 in 2001,
									17PH54 and 17PH55 in 2002, 17PH57 in 2003 and
242	Common Nighthawk	4	3	6	2	5		-44	17PH47 in 2004.
									*Birds calling in summer of all atlas years in the Wainfleet
									Bog (17PH35) and in 2004 in 17PH45, a square which also
	Whip-poor-will	2	1	2	1	1			contains a part of the Wainfleet Bog.
	Chimney Swift	1	8		7		9	-38	
	Ruby-throated Humming		10			12	12	4	
	Belted Kingfisher	1	5		6		12	-22	
	Red-headed Woodpecke		4		2		10	-54	
256	Red-bellied Woodpecke	1	3	1		5	19	500	Substantial Increase in Breeding Squares

Table 4. Numbers of squares reporting possible, probable and confirmed breeding for the first and second Atlases.

No.	Species Name	First A	tlas		Second	d Atlas			
		POSS	PROB	CONF	POSS	PROB	CONF	% Change	Second Atlas Comments
									*A bird was observed on July 11, 2002 in 17PH65. A
257	Yellow-bellied Sapsucke	r			2				second bird was observed on June 8, 2005 in 17PH26.
258	Downy Woodpecker	1	1	23		1	24	4	
259	Hairy Woodpecker		3	21		4	20	0	
262	Northern Flicker			24	1	4	20	0	
262	Pileated Woodpecker		1		2	2	1	200	A pair of these birds have been in Abino Woods (17PH54) for many years. First observed (JEB) winter 1970. A nest with young was found in 2002. A pair of birds was observed in 17PH24 in 2005. A bird was seen on several occasions about 100 meters in from the south end of Townline Road in the Wainfleet Bog (17PH35) form March to May by the MNR in 2005.
	Eastern Wood-Pewee		4	20	3		14	-4	
	Acadian Flycatcher	1	1		2			0	*A single bird was found on June 18, 2001 in 17PH45. It was last found on June 28 and not found after that date. A single bird was found in 17PH47 on June 11 and June 14 of 2003. A single bird was found on June 1, 2005 in 17PH57 and not found a week later when the site was revisited.
	Alder Flycatcher	1		3				30	
	Willow Flycatcher	•	9					5	·
	Least Flycatcher	2	_					_	
	Eastern Phoebe	2						60	
278	Great Crested Flycatche	r	6	18		13		0	
	Eastern Kingbird			24		3	21	0	
	White-eyed Vireo		2		1				*A single bird was observed on June 15, 2001 in 17PH54. Calling birds were found north of Biederman Road in 17PH35 for some years following the first atlas. The last known bird was heard in the summer of 1993. It was not heard in 1995(JEB).
	Yellow-throated Vireo	2			2	5		-50	*Probable in 17PH26,36,45,46,65
	Blue-headed Vireo						1		From atlas data I find 17PH34 Blue-headed Vireo CF CONF 1, but I was not aware of this record until I received my copy of the atlas.
	Warbling Vireo	2	11	12		12	13	9	

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No.	Species Name	First A			Second				
		POSS	PROB	CONF	POSS	PROB	CONF	% Change	Second Atlas Comments
									*A single bird was observed in Paradise Grove, Niagara-on-
									the-Lake on June 3, 2002. It was not found on subsequent
	Philadelphia Vireo								visits.
	Red-eyed Vireo		7	17	1	10		0	
	Blue Jay	1		24		1		4	
	American Crow			24		3		4	
307	Horned Lark	1	7	16	2	12		-9	
	Purple Martin			25			25	0	
309	Tree Swallow	3		22	1	1		9	
311	Northern Rough-winged	Swallo	2		6	4			
_	Bank Swallow	1		17		3			
313	Cliff Swallow				2	2		Gain	Substantial Increase in Breeding Squares
315	Barn Swallow	1		24		1		4	
317	Black-capped Chickade	1		24		4		4	
319	Tufted Titmouse	4	3	2	4	5	12	240	Substantial Increase in Breeding Squares
320	Red-breasted Nuthatch	1	1		3	_			Substantial Increase in Breeding Squares
321	White-breasted Nuthatch	h	8			10			
	Brown Creeper	3			5				Confirmed in 17PH64.
324	Carolina Wren	2	2	5	2	8		200	Substantial Increase in Breeding Squares
326	House Wren			24		2	23	4	
									Confirmed in 17PH27,17PH44 and 17PH57. Probable in
327	Winter Wren	2	2		3	3	2	150	17PH24 and 17PH54.
									*A singing male was observed July 11, 2004 in 17PH24. A
									visit a week later revealed that the field had been plowed
									and the bird was not refound. On June 23 and July 7, 2002
									a bird was found in 17PH27. It was not refound in
									subsequent years In the summer of 2001 a bird was
									found repeatedly in 17PH44 and on June 17 and June 24,
328	Sedge Wren		1	1	1	3		50	2003 a bird was found in 17PH58.
	Marsh Wren	1	6	4	1	3	3	-40	

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No.	Species Name	First Atlas		Second	l Atlas			
		POSS PROB	CONF	POSS	PROB	CONF	% Change	Second Atlas Comments
								Norway Spruce grove in 17PH44 on firelane beside lake
								between Pinecrest and Weaver. (647395E,4747947N) First
								observed June 12 then again June 20, 2005. Later in July
								observed feeding a cowbird on a branch and a young
								kinglet on the nest. A singing male was present on June
								21, 2006 in the woodlot. An abandoned gas pump is at the
								roadside. The wood runs for 110 meters along the road
								and extends about 80 meters north of the road at its
								deepest point. Similar trees are to the west in another
	Golden-crowned Kinglet					1	Gain	grove.
	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher		7 2		3			
	Eastern Bluebird		2 6			22		Substantial Increase in Breeding Squares
	Veery		8 8		6			
	Wood Thrush		9 15		10	_		
	American Robin		25			25		
	Gray Catbird		2 23		1			
	Northern Mockingbird		5 14		4			
	Brown Thrasher	1	5 18		6			
	European Starling		25			25		
	Cedar Waxwing	1	0 15		8			
358	Blue-winged Warbler		1	3	3	3	500	Substantial Increase in Breeding Squares
Ì								*A singing male was first observed on territory on June 20
								and June 27, 2002 in 17PH46. The bird was not found in
359	Golden-winged Warbler	1	2		1		-50	subsequent years in the square.
								*Singing males were found in the Wainfleet Bog (17PH25)
								in all years of the atlas. A single bird was observed in
								Niagara-on-the Lake on May 23, 2005 carrying nesting
								material but was not observed subsequently. A single bird
000	Nicologija vazada a							was observed on a point count on June 18, 2995 in
362	Nashville Warbler		1 1	1	2		0	17PH37/
								*A single bird was observed on Navy Island on July 4,
004	Nowthous Dawie							2002.(17PH66). The bird was not observed on a visits on
	Northern Parula		4 04	1		25		June 25, 2002 and July 31, 2002
	Yellow Warbler	2	1 24		_	25		
366	Chestnut-sided Warbler	2		4	5	4	Gain	

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No.	Species Name	First Atlas		Secon	d Atlas			
		POSS PROB	CONF	POSS	PROB	CONF	% Change	Second Atlas Comments
								*A single bird was observed on June 18, 2002 in
								17PH46.The bird was not observed one week later when
367	Magnolia Warbler			1				the site was visited.
								*A singing male was found on June 16, 2001 in 17PH27. It
								was last found on June 24 and not found subsequent to
								that date. A singing male was found on June 15, 2001 in
369	Black-throated Blue Wa	rbler		1	1			17PH54.
372	Black-throated Green W	1		2				*A single bird was observed on June 26, 2003 in 17PH46.
								*Possible first atlas but not observed in the breeding
375	Blackburnian Warbler	1						months in the second atlas.
								*A single bird was observed on June 9, 2005 at Niagara
								Shores in Niagara-on -the-Lake. (17PH 59). The bird was
377	Pine Warbler			1				not observed on a later visit on June 16, 2002.
								*A singing male was first observed on June 6,2001 in the
								Wainfleet Bog (17PH35). It was last seen on June 15 and
								was not found on June 21 and subsequent visits to the
379	Prairie Warbler				1			square.
								*A single bird was observed on June 13, 2003 in 17PH54.
								A single bird was observed on June 9, 2003 and again on
								June 16, 2003 in 17PH65. It was not heard on June 17,
382	Blackpoll Warbler							2003.
								*A single bird responded to a tape on June 25, 2005 in
								17PH24. The bird did not respond one week later.(Not
								Niagara region) A single bird was heard on July 3 and July
383	Cerulean Warbler	3 1		2				7, 2002 on Abino Hills Road in 17PH54.
								*A bird was found June 14, 2001 in 17PH46. Birds were
	Black-and-white Warble			2				found on June 15, 2001 and June 10, 2002 in 17PH54.
385	American Redstart	2 8					_	
389	Ovenbird	5 7	7 2	6	11		22	*Easily heard in suitable habitat.
								*Single birds were observed on June 9, 2003 in 17PH55
								and 17PH56. On a visit a week later to 17PH55 the bird
390	Northern Waterthrush	1		2				was not found.
								*Probable in the first atlas. A search of suitable habitat in
391	Louisiana Waterthrush	1 1						the second atlas yielded no birds.

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396 Common Yellowthroat 1 8 15 9 15 4 397 Hooded Warbler 1 4 2 7 800 Substantial Increase in Breeding Squares		Second Atlas Comments	% Change	CONF	PROB	POSS	CONF	PROB	POSS	•	
397 Hooded Warbler			13	2	7	2	1	7	2	Mourning Warbler	394
*A single bird was found in 17PH 35 on June 6, 200- again on June 15. It was not refound on June 21. 200 single bird was found in 17PH44 on June 8, 2005 and again on June 15, 2004. Calling birds were found nor Biederman Road in 17PH35 for some years following first atlas. The last known bird was heard in the sumr 1993. It was not heard in 1995. *A bird was observed May 28, 2003 and again June 3 17PH65. It was not found on subsequent visits to the A singing male was observed on June 11, 2005 in 17 401 Yellow-breasted Chat 3 1 1 1 7-75 It was not found later that day or on subsequent days 403 Scarlet Tanager 2 12 6 3 12 4 -11 407 Eastern Towhee 1 13 9 2 10 5 -32 411 Chipping Sparrow 1 24 1 2 22 0 414 Field Sparrow 1 6 15 1 13 9 5 415 Vesper Sparrow 8 15 3 15 3 -22			4	15	9		15	8	1	Common Yellowthroat	396
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419 Savannah Sparrow 1 23 1 5 18 -4											
			-4	18	5	1	23	1		Savannah Sparrow	419
Confirmed in 17PH45 and 17PH46. The area to the e											
cleared during the building of the current canal and a has not been developed in many location so it is open											
420 Grasshopper Sparrow 3 3 3 2 1 3 -33 grassland. Confrimed in 17PH57. Probable in 17PH5			22	2	1	2	2	2	2	Gracebonner Sparrow	420
*A single bird was heard on the evening of June 7, 20		3	-33	3	1		3	3	3	Grassnopper Sparrow	420
the intersection of Minor Road and Highway 3 in Port	·										
Colburne(17PH45). The bird was not found that even											
and attempts to find the bird the following days were											
unsuccessful. The last known report of this bird in the											
Niagara region was in 1968 by Harold Lancaster who											
observed a bird in 1968 by Cement Road pond in 17l											
422 Henslow's Sparrow 1 about 1 km south of the 2002 sighting.						1				Henslow's Sparrow	422

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No.	Species Name	First A	tlas		Second	Atlas			
	•	POSS	PROB	CONF	POSS	PROB	CONF	% Change	Second Atlas Comments
426	Song Sparrow		1	24		2	23	0	
									A single nest was found by MNR at the north-east edge of
427	Lincoln's Sparrow			1			1	0	the trees surrounding Wainfleet Bog (17PH45) in 2003.
428	Swamp Sparrow	2	6	7	3	12	4	23	
									*Probable in first atlas but not observed in the breeding
	White-throated Sparrow		1						months in the second atlas.
	Northern Cardinal	1		24		2	23	4	
	Rose-breasted Grosbea	1		21	1	2	21	5	
	Indigo Bunting	1	8		1	8	15	-4	
	Bobolink	1	4		1	12	11	5	
	Red-winged Blackbird			25			25	0	
	Eastern Meadowlark		3			7	16	-4	
	Common Grackle			25			25	0	
_	Brown-headed Cowbird			25	1	2	22	-4	
	Orchard Oriole	1	1	3	2	9		225	Substantial Increase in Breeding Squares
461	Baltimore Oriole			25			25	0	
									*Dates are June 13, 2003, May 27, 2004 and May 2004 in
									17PH54. May 28 or May 29, 2002 in 17PH55. May 27,
	Purple Finch	1	3		3	2			2004 in 17PH59 and July 19, 2002 in 17PH65.
468	House Finch	1	4	18		6	19	14	
									*A single bird was observed on May 26, 2001 in 17PH57. 4
									adult birds were observed on May 1 and May 3, 2004 in
									17PH54. A pair of birds were first observed in January of
									2005 in 17PH59. The birds were last seen on May 29,
	Pine Siskin			1	1	1			2005. The male was singing in May of 2005.
	American Goldfinch		5			7	18		
477	House Sparrow			25			25	0	

11.0 BIRDS OF THE NIAGARA REGION

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The Niagara Region is particularly rich in the number and variety of birds it supports. These abundant birds include those that live here the entire year, those that stay here only during the summer or winter and those that migrate through the Region to and from their breeding grounds. In this article we first discuss the more than 365 species that have been found in Niagara over the years. We indicate how often these birds can be observed (abundance) and the time of year they can be seen (occurrence.) We then discuss birds that breed in the Niagara Region and how widespread this breeding is. Unfortunately, some breeding birds have been negatively affected by the West Nile Virus, which arrived here in 2002. We conclude with some remarks on its impact in Niagara.

We have used many sources of data in preparing the lists of Niagara birds presented here. Two early publications stand out: *Birds of the Niagara Frontier Region* by Beardslee and Mitchell (1965) and *Bird Life of Canada's Niagara Frontier* by Sheppard (1970). See also the update by Mitchell and Andrle (1970).

These books report very thoroughly on birds in Niagara prior to 1965. However, after that date information on Niagara bird life exists mostly in the form of scattered articles, nature club publications and field notes. In fact, it was this lack of a single volume containing bird data beyond 1965 that prompted us to write *Niagara Birds* (Black and Roy, forthcoming), a book that focuses on the period from 1966 to 2006.



Red-headed Woodpecker



Common Tern

SOURCES OF DATA

The many sources of data that were consulted, both in preparing the list of birds of the region described here and in the preparation of *Niagara Birds*, are as follows:

Buffalo Ornithological Society (BOS)

The society provided us with verified accounts in their published noteworthy records and with the accumulated results of their bird counts held in Niagara in April, May and October.

Audubon Christmas Bird Counts

Data from annual counts held in four different locations are available. The Buffalo Count (1966 to 2006) and the St. Catharines Count (1982 to 2006) were completed each year in the period from mid-December to Christmas day. The Niagara Falls Count (1966 to 2006) and the Port Colborne Count (1986 to 2006) were completed each year between Boxing Day and the first week of January.

Ontario Breeding Bird Atlas

During two five-year periods—the first from 1981 to 1985 and the second from 2001 to 2005—hundreds of volunteers participated in an ambitious undertaking to map the distribution and abundance of breeding birds in Ontario. These two projects have generated valuable data leading to a more comprehensive understanding of breeding birds in the province. The results are compiled in the *Atlas of Breeding Birds of Ontario* (Cadman et al. 1987) and the *Atlas of Breeding Birds of Ontario*, 2001-2005 (Cadman et al. 2007).



Great Blue Heron

Other sources

The accepted records of the Ontario Bird Records Committee provided fully documented data of rare birds observed in the region. Additional publications referenced include *Ontario Birds, Birders Journal* as well as the National Audubon's publications *American Birds, Field Notes* and *North American Birds* and the American Birding Association's publication *Birding*.

The Breeding Bird Survey, the Grimsby Spring Hawk Watch, the Hamilton Naturalists Club Noteworthy Records, the Natural Heritage Information Centre, the Ontario Shorebird Survey and articles on the birds of Niagara by (Black 1997), Cheskey et al. (2003) McCracken et al. (1996), Riley et al. (1996) and Wood (2004) were consulted. Data from local birders were also used in constructing the tables, mainly from John Black 1966-2006, Harold Lancaster 1966-1978, Kayo Roy 1983-2006, Dan Salisbury 1966-1971, Alan J. Smith 1955-2006 and the contributors to the BOS Noteworthy Records, such as Robert Andrle, Harold Axtell, Gordon Bellerby and a great many others.

No discussion of the birds of Niagara would be complete without a list of locations that are particularly rich in birds. These include the Adam Beck overlook on the Niagara River in Niagara Falls, the Beamer Memorial Conservation Area in Grimsby, the Grimsby sewage lagoons, the Harold Mitchell Nature Reserve in Long Beach, Malcomson Eco-Park and the Port Weller piers at the mouth of the Welland Canal in St. Catharines, Morgan's Point in Burnaby, the mouth of the Niagara River in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Mud Lake in Port Colborne, the Smithville sewage lagoons, the Wainfleet Bog and Erie Beach and Waverley Beach in Fort Erie. This is only a short list of birding hotspots. Many more are described in our book *Niagara Birds*.



Virginia Rail

ABUNDANCE AND OCCURRENCE

Tables 1, 2 and 3 present lists of all the species of birds that have been observed in Niagara, along with estimates of their abundance and occurrence. Note that the entries here are those presently planned for *Niagara Birds*; some minor changes may occur prior to the publication of the book.

The birds are listed in the order approved by the American Ornithological Union (AOU), and the English and Latin names of the species conform to those in the AOU checklist, 7th edition (AOU 1998 and all supplements through 2006).

The data are organized by seasons.

Spring Season: March through May. Summer Season: June to mid—August.

Fall Season: mid - August through November. Winter Season: December through February.

The scheme used for describing abundance and occurrence is taken in part from the Annotated Checklist of the Birds of Ontario (James 1991). Where the abundance of a species has changed over the years, the abundance in the table will be based on the period from 2001 to 2006. Note that the absence of a spring or fall transient abundance in the table does not mean the bird does not migrate through our region in the spring or fall but only that its migration is difficult to recognize or has not been studied. On occasion, the presence of many birds residing in the region makes it difficult to recognize which birds are transients.





Mute Swan

American Robin

Abundance

Very Common - observed annually on most days at many locations, often

in large numbers.

Common - observed annually on most days at many locations in

small numbers.

Uncommon - observed annually on many days at a few locations in

small numbers.

Rare - observed annually or almost annually at a few locations

in very small numbers, often on only a few days, and

with difficulty unless at a known location.

Occasional - not observed annually though always anticipated; often

only a single individual observed.

Extremely rare - an extraordinary observation with five or fewer Niagara

records; the probability of recurrence very low.

Extirpated - formerly resident in Niagara; no longer observed.

Extinct - formerly observed in Niagara; no longer exists anywhere

Occurrence

Resident - regularly spends one or more seasons in Niagara.

Transient - regularly migrates through Niagara, traveling to their

breeding grounds in the spring or returning to their

wintering grounds in the fall.

Straggler - remains in Niagara after migration, usually in small

numbers.

Visitor - irregularly wanders into Niagara, usually in small

numbers.

Introduced - have had human assistance in establishing themselves

on the North American continent.

Hypothetical - identification uncertain; possibly an escaped captive

bird.

BREEDING BIRDS

Table 4 presents breeding bird results obtained in Atlas Region 11, which covers an area that closely conforms to that of the Niagara Region except for two small departures along the western boundary¹. Atlas Region 11 was divided into 25 squares, each 10 km X 10 km. In Table 4 the number of these squares reporting possible breeding, probable breeding or confirmed breeding of each species in the two atlases is given. In addition, data from the second Atlas for those species which are not known to breed in Region 11 or which bred infrequently are included. The breeding evidence levels are defined as follows:

Possible - the atlaser saw or heard the species singing during the

breeding season in suitable nesting habitat.

Probable - the atlaser observed a pair of birds, territorial behavior, a

courtship display, an adult visit to a probable nest site, agitated behavior, anxiety calls of an adult, a brood

patch on an adult or nest building.

Confirmed - the atlaser observed a distraction display, adults entering

or leaving a nest cavity, an adult carrying a fecal sac or

food for young, a nest containing eggs or a nest with young, a used nest or egg shells or recently fledged young.



Wood Duck

WEST NILE VIRUS

A dead Blue Jay turned into the Niagara Region Public Health Department on 11 September 2001 was the first Niagara bird to test positive for the West Nile Virus (West Nile Virus Summary Report (2001-2004, 2005)). Of the 78 Blue Jays turned in for testing to the Niagara Region Public Health Department between 2002 and 2006, two were found to be positive (West Nile Virus Summary Report (2001 – 2004, 2005, 2006)). During the years 2002 to 2006, a total of 130 American Crows found dead and turned into the Niagara Region Public Health Department were tested for the presence of the West Nile Virus, and 29 tested positive (West Nile Virus Summary Report (2001 – 2004, 2005, 2006))

There is some evidence that the numbers of American Crows seen on the April, May and October BOS counts have declined since the appearance of West Nile in the Niagara Region between 2002 and 2006. There is also anecdotal evidence from birders that crow numbers were down in the Niagara Region during the summer months from 2002 to 2006, although they seemed to be returning to normal numbers by 2008.

Very common on the Christmas Bird Counts, crows have been seen on all such counts since 1966. The largest number observed was 11,050 on the St. Catharines Christmas Bird Count in 1994. Large count numbers were obtained by counting the birds in a roost area in St. Catharines. The count numbers then plunged from 3,568 birds in 2001 to 697 birds in 2002 and then to 105 in 2003 and had not recovered by 2006. This large drop from 2001 to 2002 in crow numbers presumably reflected the toll of the West Nile Virus. However, it did not necessarily reflect the deaths of resident Niagara crows. The 3,568 crows of 2001, if distributed over the 25 squares studied in the second Ontario Breeding Bird Atlas, would yield 143 birds per square. Since atlasers might, at most, see a twenty to thirty crows in an atlas square, this tells us that many of the overwintering crows in 2001 were from outside the Niagara Region.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

The Niagara Region is an important breeding ground and wintering area for many birds. These birds include both those that reside here permanently and the many migrants that breed here in the summer or spend their winters here. In the summer months, as a result of construction on the Welland Canal some years ago, there is now a large area east of the canal and south of Welland that supports grassland species such as Grasshopper Sparrow and Upland Sandpiper. In the winter months, the Niagara River is a particularly important area, supporting as it does many thousands of gulls and ducks. However, the continuation of these locations and of that of other habitats for birds, cannot be taken for granted. In order for the Region to continue its sustaining role of habitat provider appropriate conservation measures must be implemented and maintained.

There is anecdotal evidence that birds migrating south in the fall move west, rather than crossing Lake Ontario, when they reach its north shore. As a consequence of this 'lake avoidance' it can be conjectured that fewer migrants pass over or though the Niagara Region in the fall than in the spring. A radar comparison of the spring and fall migration might demonstrate the truth of this conjecture.

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¹ The Atlas boundary lies slightly east of the Niagara Region boundary at the shore of Lake Ontario and slightly west of the Niagara Region boundary at the shore of Lake Erie. As a consequence, results from a small area in the northwest corner of the Niagara Region are excluded from Table 4, and those from a small area outside the Niagara Region in the southwest are included. The authors have found that including data from those parts of the Niagara Region located in the adjacent Hamilton atlas region did not change the picture of breeding birds reported here in any substantial way. Note: point counts were made at many locations in Niagara during the second Atlas. The reader is referred to the *Ontario Atlas of Breeding Birds, 2001-2005* (Cadman et al. 2007) for the results of the point counts.

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Niagara Region Natural Areas Inventory Reptile and Amphibian Study 2006 to 2008





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Cover Photograph is a collage of Rob Tervo's reptile and amphibian pictures taken over the last 10 years. It was compiled and designed by Amy Brant. From bottom left to top right they are; Wood Turtle, Blue-spotted salamander, Five-lined Skink, Milksnake, Red-spotted Newt (eft), Gray ratsnake, Spring Salamander, Fowler's toad, Eastern Massasauga rattlesnake, Spotted turtle, Eastern Ribbonsnake and Wood frog.

Inside all photographs are of Rob's work except where otherwise indicated.

This photograph of Rob was taken by Jeremy Rouse during the Natural Heritage Forum field trip in October, 2008.

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1.0 Introduction

The Niagara Region Reptile and Amphibian (Herp) study is part of the Natural Areas Inventory (NAI) study coordinated by the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (2006 – 2008) for watershed planning purposes. The Ministry of Natural Resources and Land Care Niagara are partners in this initiative.

The Niagara Region is an ecologically diverse area complicated by a high density of roads with a population of over 400,000 people located in extreme south eastern Ontario. This region's climate and unique habitat features are ideally suited for reptiles and amphibians. However, the human fragmented landscape is a challenge for many of these species because they are ectothermic, have complex life cycles that require specialized habitat features and they must move about the landscape between these features during the active season to maintain populations in the long term. There are unique physiographic areas that define many of the species distribution. The Niagara River is recognized as being a natural dispersal barrier for many reptiles and amphibians preventing recolonization from Western New York State (Yagi and Tervo, 2008a and b).

There are 30 native reptiles and 29 native amphibians in Ontario (NHIC, 2008) and the Niagara Region has observational records for 44 native (75%) and 2 exotic species- Pond slider (Red-eared) and the Eastern Box turtle. There are 25 Species at Risk (SAR) reptiles and amphibians in Ontario and Niagara has local records for 20 (80%) SAR (NHIC, 2008). There are 2 Canadian extirpated species, 5 endangered, 9 threatened and 4 designated as special concern found in the Niagara Region (Table 1). Most SAR species are not widespread but associated with unique features such as organic basins, complex slough patterned swamp wetlands, groundwater discharge areas, escarpments, kames and shorelines. The remaining species found in the Niagara NAI study area (Figure 1) are considered common in Ontario but may still have a limited distribution within the study area and may be considered regionally significant. In addition, the Western Chorus frog, has a declining range in Great Lakes/St. Lawrence – Canadian Shield region and has been designated threatened (COSEWIC, 2008) for that region. At the present time this species remains widespread and locally common in the study area but is recommended for continual monitoring for signs of decline as seen in eastern Canada. Those species that are widespread in the region are successfully moving about the landscape and completing their life cycle.

The purpose of this report is to summarize the historic and current known distribution of reptiles and amphibians in the Niagara Region, to identify species of conservation concern and to summarize important data gaps to consider for watershed planning purposes. Species of conservation concern include all desinated SAR species and species which have a localized distribution and/or based upon our local knowledge demonstrate declining trends in the Niagara NAI study area.

2.0 Methods

All historic information from NHIC, Ontario Herpetofaunal Summary(OHS) and OMNR Niagara area field records were compiled and entered into a GIS database for viewing using ARC MAP software ©. Misplaced points were corrected based upon the location descriptions provided in the respective database by the Management Biologist. For species with limited distribution, specific search areas were determined and targeted for field studies. Landowner permission was obtained by the NPCA and MNR for access to all private land areas visited.

Anurans which include frogs and toads were identified using calling surveys from roadways during the breeding season and incidental observations during field surveys. In addition intentional searches for the Fowler's toad were completed along the Lake Erie shoreline at night.

Salamanders, newts, snakes and lizards were identified using coverboard surveys, incidental observations in specific habitat areas and from road kills. Turtles were observed during specific boat and canoe surveys, along roads, incidentally during field surveys, specific targeted area surveys and road kills.

Date, time, location, UTM and photographs were collected to document species presence. All data were inputted into a GIS database and distribution maps were compiled for each species. Spatial data gaps were visually identified based upon historic survey effort. Species expected and not found were also identified for further search effort. A list of suspect historic records is also provided. A list of regionally significant species was determined for species considered common in the province but have a locally restricted distribution or are of conservation concern in the Niagara NAI study area (Figure 1).

Common and scientific names follow the Crother list (Crother et al, 2000; 2001; 2003; 2008).

Definitions:

Global and provincial status definitions are used throughout the document as per Committee on the Status of Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC) and Committee on the Status of Species at Risk in Ontario (COSSARO/SARO) (http://nhic.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/nhic/glossary.cfm). The following terms are used to describe the distribution and significance in the Niagara study area (Figure 1). The term "abundant" was not used because we did not assess abundances for the purpose of this study.

Widespread	Any species that is widely distributed in the study area
Localized	Any species that is not widely distributed (found in <= 6 townships)
Regionally Significant	Any species of local conservation concern. They are either not widely distributed in the study area due to specialized habitat requirements or based upon our local knowledge demonstrate declining trends.
Extirpated	Any species with local historic records which is now considered no longer present in the study area
Introduced	Locally found species that are thought to be not native to the study area

Data Deficient Insufficient local data available to determine regional status

SAR Any species currently designated extirpated, endangered, threatened or

special concern by COSEWIC or COSSARO

Study Area:

The Hamilton portion of the watershed and the westerly portion of West Lincoln were intensively surveyed for a five year period as part of the Hamilton Natural Areas Inventory (1990-1995). This study focused on the remaining portion of the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority watershed which is predominantly Niagara Region and north of the Grand River in Haldimand region. The NAI study area

consists of 12 Niagara Regional Municipality townships and a part of the City of Hamilton (portions of the former townships of Ancaster, Glanbrook and Stoney Creek) and north and west portion of the County of Haldimand (formerly the municipalities of Dunnville and Haldimand) (Figure 1).

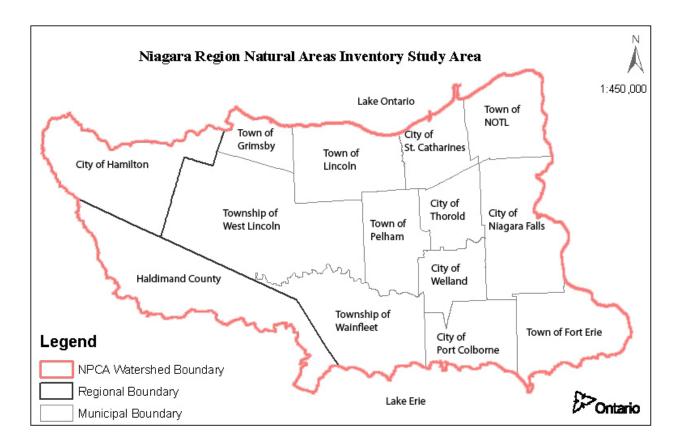


Figure 1: Niagara Region Natural Areas Inventory Study Area (NOTL = Niagara-on-the Lake)

3.0 Results

3.1 Correction to Historic Data

Several reptile and amphibian species have been misidentified or inadvertently added to historic records for particular natural areas. For example, the Eastern Fox Snake (*Elaphe gloydi*) was recorded as present in the Jordan Valley ANSI (Schaefer et al, 1992) and Niagara Section Escarpment ANSI (Varga et. al., 1992). The source of Jordan Valley report was credible and based upon a description of a very large "king snake". Given the habitat of where it was observed it is more likely a Gray ratsnake (*Elaphe spiloides*) or Milksnake (*Lampropeltis triangulum*) observation. The Niagara Escarpment report is an Ontario Herpetofaunal Summary (OHS) record (Weller and Oldham, 1986; Plourde et al, 1989; Riley et al., 1992) which was later identified as a milksnake. The furthest east records of the Fox snake are from Rock Point Provincial Park and Port Maitland (MNR files). However, since released captives can show up anywhere, any observational record of this species in Niagara should be recorded and investigated.

The Gray ratsnake's (a.k.a Black ratsnake) Niagara range includes the Fonthill Kame Moraine of central and North Pelham and along the escarpment and valleys of Twelve Mile Creek, Fifteen and Sixteen Mile

Creek, Twenty Mile Creek and Jordan Harbour. It is also occasionally sighted near the Welland Canal in the Port Robinson area, although not recently. Some historic reports have not identified this species as present in Niagara (Weller and Oldham, 1986) or Riley et. al (1992) although historic records and physical evidence exists in NHIC/OHS database and local MNR files (Table 1). An observation was also incorrectly added to the Wainfleet Bog list which is now believed to be from the nearby Mud Lake area. Several other references inconsistancies exist for the study area however the most up to date list of herpetofaunal species for the NAI study area is located in Table 1.

Table 1: Summary of Background Records of Herpetofaunal Species from the Niagara Study Area. Last Column Confirms the species as locally found in Niagara during the NAI study.

(X- not found or reported; Ex = extirpated; intro = introduced; revised = updated historic records; $\sqrt{}$ = present in study area; blank= not discussed)

	Data Source					Confirmation	
Common Name	Weller and Oldham 1986	Plourde et. al 1989	Riley et. al. 1992	NHIC / OHS records	Local MNR files	Niagara NAI Local Species	
AMPHIBIANS OF NIAGARA AREA							
Wood Frog		$\sqrt{}$		V	√	\checkmark	
Western Chorus Frog	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	
Spring Peeper	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	
Gray Tree frog	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	
Northern Leopard Frog	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	
Pickerel Frog	X	X		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	
Green Frog	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	
American Bullfrog	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	
American Toad	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	
Fowler's Toad	X	$\sqrt{}$	X	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	
Red-spotted Newt	\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	
Northern Dusky Salamander		$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	
Allegheny Mountain Dusky Salamander				$\sqrt{}$ updated	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	
Northern Spring Salamander		Ex		$\sqrt{}$	\sqrt{Ex}	X	
Eastern Red-backed Salamander	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	
Four-toed Salamander	X	$\sqrt{}$	X	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	
Common Mudpuppy	$\sqrt{}$			$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	
Blue-spotted Salamander	X	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	
Jefferson Salamander	X	$\sqrt{}$		X	X	X	
Jefferson X Blue-spotted Salamander, Jefferson genome dominates	\checkmark			\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	
Spotted Salamander	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	

	Data Source				Confirmation	
Common Name	Weller and Oldham 1986	Plourde et. al 1989	Riley et. al. 1992	NHIC / OHS records	Local MNR files	Niagara NAI Local Species

REPTILES OF NIAGARA AREA						
Five-lined Skink	X	$\sqrt{}$	X	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Northern Red-bellied Snake	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$
Northern Brownsnake	X	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$
Northern Ring-necked snake	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	X
Eastern Gartersnake	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Northern Ribbonsnake	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Queen Snake	X	X	X	X	$\sqrt{}$	X
Smooth Greensnake	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Northern Watersnake	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Eastern Milksnake	$\sqrt{}$			$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Eastern Hog-nosed Snake	X	X	X	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Gray Ratsnake (formerly BlackRratsnake)	X	$\sqrt{}$	X	revised	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Eastern Fox snake	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	√ revised	$\sqrt{\text{intro}}$	$\sqrt{\text{intro}}$
Eastern Massasauga rattlesnake	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark
Timber Rattlesnake	X	Ex		$\sqrt{}$	\sqrt{Ex}	X
Midland Painted Turtle	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark
Spotted Turtle	X			$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	\checkmark
Blanding's Turtle				$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	\checkmark
Wood Turtle	X	X		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	X
Northern Map Turtle	X	X		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark
Eastern Box Turtle	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{\text{intro}}$	X
Red-eared Slider	X	X		√ intro	$\sqrt{\text{intro}}$	$\sqrt{\text{intro}}$
Eastern Musk Turtle	X	X		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	X
Eastern Spiny Softshell	X	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	X	X
Eastern Snapping Turtle	1	1		1	1	1

The Fowler's toad (*Anaxyrus fowleri*) is only found in close proximity to the Lake Erie shoreline, however historic observational and ROM records report this species as present in the Wainfleet Bog (MacDonald, 1992) and from the Welland River in the City of Welland. However, the bog records were confirmed to be American toad (*Anaxyrus americanus*) (D. Green pers. com.). The Welland River records were confirmed visually and audibly as Fowler's toad by MNR staff (A. Yagi pers. com.). However since natural dispersal from Lake Erie to the location where they were found is impossible, they were determined to be transplanted individuals from nearby Lake Erie. After one season they were no longer heard at this location.

The Northern Dusky salamander (*Desmognathus fuscus*) was first believed to occur in two sites in the Niagara Gorge (Kamstra, 1991). However recent field studies by MNR staff with genetic confirmation by McGill University confirmed the presence of the Allegheny Mountain Dusky (*Desmognathus ochrophaeus*) at one location and *D.fuscus* in the other (Yagi and Mills 2004; Markel and Green 2005; Yagi and Tervo 2008a; and, Yagi and Tervo 2008b).

The Eastern box turtle observations were from released captives confirmed by Tim Seburn (pers. com.). The Mink frog (*Lithobates septentrionalis*) is not found in southwestern Ontario, any credible observations are likely transplanted or introduced individuals or misidentified Green frogs. Lamond (1994) reported observations of Mink frog in Hamilton-Wentworth one year following a documented release. After which they were no longer heard. The Niagara Region ESA study contains lists of herpetofaunal species (Brady, 1980); however many common and scientific names are incorrect and they contain some erroroneous observations and should not be used in the NAI database (Appendix 1 Table 3). In addition to the MNR databases (local, OHS and NHIC), other good sources of herpetile information that overlap with this study area include Haldimand-Norfolk NAI study (Gartshore et al, 1987) and Hamilton NAI (Lamond 1994; Heagy and McHattie 1995).

There are no confirmed Butler's Gater snake (*Thamnophis butleri*) observations for the Niagara study area although Ecologistics (1976) indicates this species as present in the Hamilton Area. This is a Species At Risk and is known to occur in the extreme southwestern portion of Ontario near Windsor and Sarnia.

3.2 Review of Available Data

A total of 6,062 historic observations (1867 to 2002) were compiled from known sources and are spatially represented in Figure 2. About 30% of the area was adequately sampled for most reptile and amphibian species during the Hamilton Natural Areas Inventory (1990- 1995) and the Ontario Herpetofaunal Summary studies (1980's) (Figure 2). Some spot checking was necessary to determine the continual

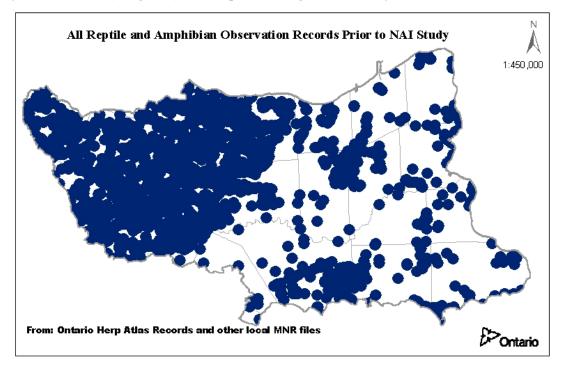


Figure 2: Reptile and Amphibian records from NHIC, OHS and local MNR files

presence of uncommon or difficult to find (i.e. cryptic) species. The remaining majority of the study area had a low density of observations and was considered under sampled especially in the southern municipalities of Wainfleet, Dunnville, Port Colborne, Fort Erie, eastern portion of West Lincoln, Pelham, Welland, Thorold and Niagara Falls. The majority of these observations occurred in the 1980's and 1990 time period with only 773 observations prior to 1980 (Figure 3).

Birds Studies Canada Marsh Amphibian monitoring data may help fill some spatial data gaps for several anuran species and should be incorporated into the NAI database when it becomes available.

3.3 NAI Data

In the past ten years, most reptile and amphibian records were collected, to help meet the recovery planning objectives of several Species at Risk namely Fowler's toad, Eastern Massasauga rattlesnake, Spotted Turtle, Northern Dusky and Allegheny Mountain Dusky salamanders. These five studies go beyond just presence and absence data because they involve detailed radio telemetry, coverboard and repeated mark recapture studies to establish habitat use, relative abundance and population trends through time. This has biased the total observations towards the predominance of species at risk. This does not mean that species at risk are more common in the Niagara region but merely reflects the past project targets and funding emphasis (Figure 3).

A total of 8,708 observations was collected during the NAI study period (2006 – 2008) an additional 5,321 records collected from 1995 to 2005 of local SAR records and were also included in the NAI database (Figure 4). In addition to the five detailed SAR studies, another 146 observations of seven other SAR were made during this study. A total of 3,290 observations were made of 27 (non SAR) reptiles and amphibians. From a spatial standpoint the NAI observations reflect the emphasis put toward filling the southern and eastern spatial gaps previously observed (Figure 2). The majority of NAI observations were oriented toward the municipalities in the south and eastern portion of the study area (Figure 5).

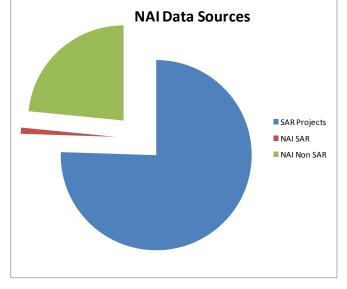


Figure 3: The Proportion of Species at Risk data represented from SAR projects and NAI projects.

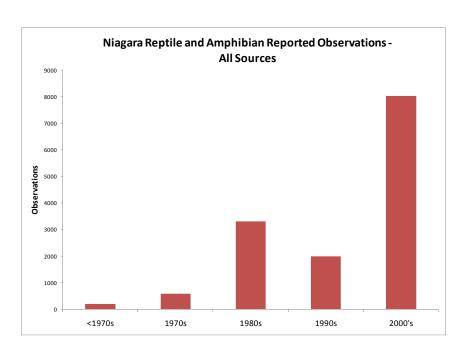


Figure 4: Summary of All Reptile and Amphibian Observations from the study area. over time.

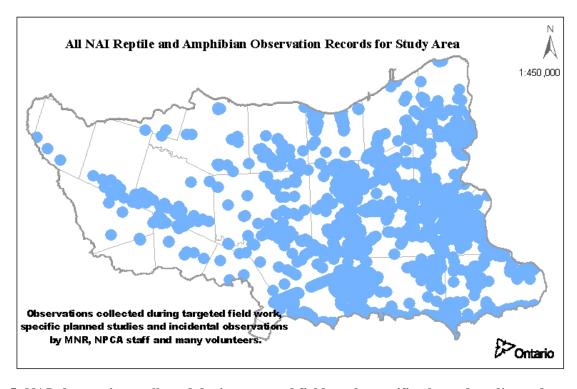


Figure 5: NAI observations collected during targeted field work, specific planned studies and incidental observations by MNR, NPCA and many volunteers.

3.4 Species Accounts

Amphibians:

Species of the class *Amphibia* include frogs, toads, salamanders and newts. They are animals that typically metamorphose from an aquatic gill breathing life stage to a terrestrial air breathing animal (Petranka 1998; Fisher et al 2007). Therefore their complex life cycles require both aquatic and terrestrial habitats and the ability to move between these habitats to maintain their respective populations. Since they must use both water and land habitats they are excellent indicators of landscape quality and connectivity.

Global(GRANK) or National status (COSEWIC) and Provinical(SRANK) or COSSARO status definitions for each species are provided above the Niagara NAI study area results (NHIC 2008).

Anura: Frogs and Toads

Wood Frog (Lithobates sylvatica):

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Secure—Common, widespread,

and abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Widespread- 10 of 12 Niagara RM

townships + Haldimand and

Hamilton

Map # 1



The Wood frog is a true frog of the "northern woods". They have the most northern distribution of any amphibian in the world (Fisher et al 2007). Their call is unique and sounds like a duck quacking. It is our first of the season callers which were readily identified in March and early April in ephemeral ponds, swamps and slough forest communities widespread in rural areas throughout the region. Periodically they were heard as late as May in the interior of Wainfleet Bog. They were not found within urban areas such as City of St. Catharines, City of Welland and Niagara Falls. The townships north of the escarpment were under sampled. They require temporary vernal forested pools that are predator free for successful reproduction. They are freeze tolerant and can hibernate in the moist forest floor under leaves and logs nearby and within vernal pools(Fisher et al 2007). Populations are sustained at a regional level through juvenile dispersal mechanisms.

Western Chorus Frog (Pseudacris triseriata):

National Status: Great Lakes/St. Lawrence –

Canadian Shield population: COSEWIC Threatened

Western Chorus Frog – Carolinian

population: Not at Risk

Provincial Rank: Apparently Secure—Uncommon but

not rare; some cause for long-term concern due to declines or other

factors.

Niagara NAI: Widespread- reconfirmed 12 Niagara

RM townships + Haldimand

Map # 2



The Western Chorus frog is a small tree frog easily distinguished from other anurans by its unique call which sounds like a finger nail being dragged over a comb (Behler and King 1998). It is Niagara's second earliest calling species which is most often heard from shallow temporary pools in open fields, ditches and woodlands throughout the Niagara NAI study area. This species is freeze tolerant and requires both terrestrial and aquatic habitats in close proximity. Terrestrial habitat consists mostly of humid grassy fields, moist woods, or meadows. For reproduction and tadpole development, this species requires seasonally dry, temporary ponds that are devoid of predators such as fish (COSEWIC 2008). This species is vulnerable to habitat fragmentation and poor water quality which is deemed the limiting factors for the Great Lakes/St. Lawrence – Canadian Shield population. In the Niagara NAI study area, ongoing annual monitoring is recommended to establish long term trends.

Spring Peeper (Pseudacris crucifer):

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably secure

under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Secure—Common, widespread, and

abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Widespread- confirmed in 11 of 12

Niagara RM townships + Haldimand

and Hamilton

Map # 3



The Spring peeper is a very small tree frog with a distinguished breeding call which sounds like "peep peep"- hence their name (Behler and King 1998). They have a characteristic 'X" pattern on their back. This early spring caller has an extended calling period well into June. Large choruses are heard through out the Niagara NAI study area including many urban areas. They require temporary forested vernal pools

that are predator free for successful breeding. They are freeze tolerant and hibernate in the forest floor under log debris and leaves. Populations are sustained at a regional level through juvenile dispersal mechanisms.

Gray Treefrog (Hyla versicolor):

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Secure—Common, widespread,

and abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Widespread-reconfirmed 8 of 12

Niagara RM townships +

Haldimand

Map # 4



This is the largest of Niagara's tree frogs, rarely seen but often heard in the forested areas of Niagara. They are camouflage experts with variable colours ranging from green, to gray to brown. They have bright yellow patches on the underside of their legs. Breeding calls of this species sound like a bird "chirping" and are heard at night in late spring into late summer. They are freeze tolerant nocturnal tree dwellers that breed later than the other native tree frogs and therefore require permanent water in or near forested habitats. They hibernate in the forest floor under leaves, logs and tree roots.

They were re-confirmed calling in 8 townships sampled. The remaining townships were under sampled for this species but they are likely present in similar habitat.

Northern Leopard Frog (Lithobates pipiens):

National Rank: Very common; demonstrably secure

under present conditions. (Except for

BC population- END)

Provincial Rank: Secure—Common, widespread, and

abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Widespread- reconfirmed all 12

Niagara RM townships + Haldimand

+ Hamilton

Map # 5



The Northern Leopard frog is a large frog which does not breed until 3 years of age. They are early spring callers easily distinguished from other frogs by a call which sounds like a person "snoring" with a "chuckling" sound at the end (Behler and King 1998). They breed successfully in semi permanent to permanent ponds (pond may dry up in August) and tadpoles transform within 3 months. They are not freeze tolerant and normally hibernate in the bottom of ponds. Populations are sustained at a regional

level through adult and juvenile dispersal behaviors. They were re-confirmed in all townships surveyed (NB north Grimsby was not sampled for this species) during this study.

Pickerel Frog (Lithobates palustris):

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably secure

under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Apparently Secure—Uncommon but

not rare;

Niagara NAI: Localized

Verified in 2 of 7 historic locations and only 2 of 12 Niagara RM

townships.

Map # 6



This true frog's habitat is limited to clear, cool waters of spring-fed ponds, groundwater discharge areas, meadows, streams and backwaters (Plourde et al 1989). It looks similar to the Northern Leopard frog except that it has distinctive rectangular dorsal spots instead of circular spots (Behler and. King 1998). Its' call is described as a low-pitched vibrant croak or "snoring" similar to the Leopard frog but without the ending "chuckling" sound. The habitat for this species is limited in distribution in Niagara which likely contributes to its poor representation during this study. One record was confirmed in discharges areas along the Niagara escarpment and recently (April 09) from within the new beaver ponds in the Wainfleet Bog. This species likely inhabits other escarpment seeps, Upper Twelve Mile Creek ponds, wetlands and stream areas. They hibernate in nonfreezing discharge ponds. Additional monitoring is recommended for the Niagara NAI study area.

Green Frog (Lithobates clamitans):

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably secure

under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Secure—Common, widespread, and

abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Widespread- reconfirmed in all 12

Niagara RM townships + Haldimand

and Hamilton

Map # 7



The Green frog is a large green coloured frog commonly found in permanent ponds and streams. They look like the Bullfrog- but are smaller, have two dorsolateral ridges down the length of their body, often with irregular dorsal spots and a very large tympanum (eardrum) directly behind the eye (Behler and King 1998). They reproduce most successfully in ponds without predatory fish. They begin calling in late May to early June and can be heard well into July. Their call sounds like a plucked banjo string. Tadpoles can remain in larval stage over 1 year but many metamorphose by late summer. Juveniles disperse overland to

nearby ponds. They hibernate by burrowing into the mud bottom of ponds. They were re-confirmed in all townships surveyed (NB north Grimsby was not sampled for this species) during this study.

American Bullfrog (Lithobates catesbeianus):

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably secure

under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Apparently Secure—Uncommon but

not rare;

Niagara NAI: Widespread- most historic

watersheds reconfirmed. Found in 9 of 12 Niagara RM townships + Haldimand and Hamilton

Map # 8



The Bullfrog is the largest frog in Ontario and is commonly found in permanent ponds and marshes. Its call is a deep bass "barroom" sound. It is usually green with a bright yellow throat (Behler and King 1998). It is commonly found along the shorelines of large permanent water bodies, ponds, swamps, lakes and marshes. Adult males begin calling in June and July. Tadpoles remain in larval stage for two years or more depending upon water temperatures. They hibernate in the bottom of these water bodies. The Bullfrog is widely distributed in the study area however the historic distribution within Upper Twenty Mile Creek watershed was re-surveyed in 2008 and no observations were made. This observation may be a reflection of the previous year's extreme summer/fall drought conditions.

American Toad (Anaxyrus americanus):

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Secure—Common, widespread,

and abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Widespread- 11 of 12 Niagara

RM townships and cities surveyed + Haldimand

Map # 9



The American toad is a large toad commonly found throughout the Niagara region. It begins calling in late May into June. Its call is a long "trill" readily distinguished from other toads and frogs. This species is larger than the Fowler's toad, dark brown with large warts (one or two) within each dorsal blotch (Behler and King 1998; Fisher et al 2007). There are no large warts on their legs and the under belly is spotted. This species breeds in a variety of water types including, shorelines, streams, ponds and ditches.

It is also commonly found in urban gardens hunting a variety of insects and other invertebrates. They hibernate below the frost line in moist burrows.

Fowler's toad (Anaxyrus fowleri):

National Status: Threatened

Provincial Threatened

Status:

Niagara NAI: Localized: restricted range from

Long Beach Wainfleet to Fort Erie. Confirmed in 3 of 12 Niagara RM townships

Map # 10



The Fowler's toad is a smaller toad restricted in Canada to three populations along Lake Erie shoreline known as Rondeau, Long Point and Niagara (COSEWIC 1999; Green 1989; Green 1999; Green et al 2008). It is an early successional species that inhabits open beaches, dunes, rocky pools, nearshore ponds, and marshes. It breeds in rocky pools, creek outlets in sandy beach areas, sand bottom pools and ponds (COSEWIC 1999). In Niagara they begin calling in mid to late May and continue into June (Yagi and Tervo 2008c). Eggs hatch after 7 days and tadpoles develop in nearshore areas for 40 to 60 days and emerge as metamorphs in late July and early August. Both adult and juvenile Fowler's toads hibernate below the frost line and above the water table in sand dunes and beach areas from mid October to mid May. Juveniles breed at age 1 or 2, most breed only once. Detailed observational records, population estimates and habitat use information have been recorded for the Niagara population since 2001 (Yagi and Mills 2003; Yagi and Tervo 2006a; Yagi and Tervo 2006b and 2005; Planck and Blott 2006).

Fowler's toads are present in most shoreline beach areas in Wainfleet, Port Colborne and Fort Erie but have not been found west of Long Beach CA to the Grand River. They are present in James N. Allen provincial Park (Yagi and Tervo 2006b). Their populations naturally fluctuate with Lake Erie water level cycles and their abundances decline in heavily used beach areas. Human impacts to the toad's habitat threaten the Niagara area population. These threats include dune and beach stabilization; excessive disturbances of dunes, beaches and nearshore areas; pollution and loss of breeding sites, dispersal barriers (piers and groynes) along shoreline (Green et al. 2008). Dunes that have not been protected by shorewalls are critical for the longevity of this population. These areas include James N. Allen, Morgan's Point, Nickel Beach, Sherkston and Point Abino.

Museum specimens previously collected from the Wainfleet Bog were American toad (MacDonald 1992; D. Green pers. com.). American toads have a characteristic spotted belly with large single warts within each spot (Figure 6 a&b). Fowler's toads have a white or cream coloured belly with two or more small warts within each spot (Figure 6 e&f). Very rarely, hybrids are found which have characteristics of both species (Figure 6 c&d).

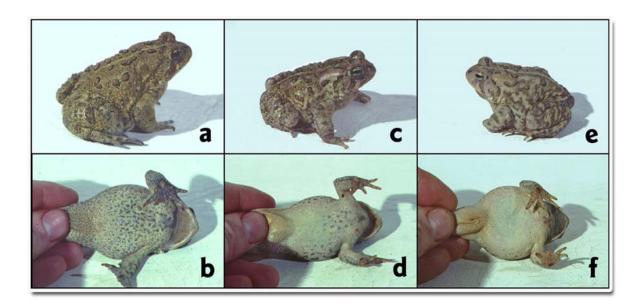


Figure 6: Identification of American Toad (Anaxyrus americanus) a,b; Fowler's toad (Anaxyrus fowleri) e, f; and Rare Hybrid c&d (Photograph courtesy of D. Green)

Urodela: Newts and Salamanders

Red-spotted Newt (Notophthalmus v. viridescens)

Global Status: Very common; demonstrably secure under present conditions.

Provincial Status: Secure—Common, widespread, and abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Localized (confirmed in 4 sites- 3 Niagara RM townships +

Haldimand)

Map # 11





Red Eft

Red-spotted Newt

The Red-spotted newt is the only newt found in the Niagara region. It inhabits forested areas with permanent to semi permanent clear vegetated ponds (Behler and King 1998). It has a complex life cycle involving three phases; aquatic larvae, aquatic adult stage and a terrestrial phase called an "eft" (Fisher et al 2007). They have an elaborate breeding behavior or courtship ritual. The courtship involves an unique form of amplexus. Males will deposit a sperm packet on the bottom of the pond and the female will proceed to pick it up with her cloaca, later using the sperm to fertilize her eggs. She lays one fertilized egg at a time (up to 400) on submergent vegetation in clear pools and ponds. There is no parental care, larvae hatch in 3 to 8 weeks and remain as larvae up to 3 months. They then metamorphose into the terrestrial "eft" stage. After 3 years they metamorphose again into an aquatic adult (Petranka 1998). When there is no permanent water, adults are known to aestivate during drought conditions and overwinter on land and enter vernal pools to breed in the spring. Otherwise adults overwinter in permanent water and are often seen foraging under the ice in winter.

This species was confirmed in four locations during this study although specific searches were not conducted north of the escarpment or in West Lincoln.

Northern Dusky Salamander (Desmognathus fuscus)

National Status: Not at Risk

Provincial Endangered (1 site in province)

Status:

Niagara NAI: Localized (1 site only; 1

township) historic Fort Erie site

not confirmed

Map # 12



This stream salamander species was reverified in Niagara in 1989 by James Kamstra and Wayne Weller. Although widely distributed in north eastern USA, New Brunswick and southern Quebec it has an extremely restricted range in Ontario- to one site in the Niagara Gorge. Its status in Ontario is therefore endangered (Austen and Oldham 1999). It is a lungless salamander, meaning it derives oxygen by diffusion through its skin. In order for this to happen, the skin must remain moist. It is therefore never far from water. They only inhabit high quality groundwater discharge areas which are limited in distribution within the gorge (Yagi and Tervo 2008a).

Allegheny Mountain Dusky Salamander (Desmognathus ochrophaeus)

National Status: Endangered (only found in PQ

and ON)

Provincial Endangered (1 site in province)

Status:

Niagara NAI: Localized (1 site only; 1

township)

Map # 13



This stream salamander is an endangered species in Ontario and Quebec (Oldham 2007; COSEWIC 2007). It was first found in Ontario in 1989 but was thought to be another population of Northern Dusky. In 2004, a specimen was examined by Devin Mills, Rob Tervo and Anne Yagi, photographed and tail clippings taken from it, which were genetically analyzed by McGill University to confirm this new species for Ontario (Markel and Green 2005). It is very unusual to verify a new species in this day and age in such a highly populated area, but looking at the pictures of the two specimens together you can see why this happened. Both salamanders have similar colour, white patch from the corner of their eye to the jaw and big eyes on the top of their head. The Allegheny Mountain Dusky salamander has a dorsal stripe with dark chevron markings along its back and its tail is rounded and thin whereas the Northern Dusky has a transparent underside with tiny grey flecks and the tail is flat across the top for swimming (Petranka 1998). Although located far apart from each other, both species have similar threats to their habitat which include loss in groundwater quality and flow, as well as excessive trampling of habitat by hikers.

Stormwater runoff from adjacent lands has caused mudslides nearby dusky seeps demanding the need for watershed stewardship activities such as protection and restoration of first order streams, planting mudslides, wetland creation and restricting the use of pesticides and herbicides along the parkway (Yagi and Tervo 2008b).

Spring Salamander (Gyrinophilus porphyriticus)

National Status: Special Concern (only in PQ and ON)

Provincial Extirpated

Status:

Niagara NAI: Not found- Extirpated from all Local

Historic sites

Map # 14



This is the largest of the stream salamanders (over 8 inches length) (Fisher et al 2007), which was thought to occur in Niagara. Historic NHIC records refer to "across from Buffalo" in Fort Erie however there are few remaining groundwater discharge areas in this township (COSEWIC 2002; NHIC 2008). Other high quality groundwater discharges in escarpment areas were searched for salamanders and no Spring salamanders were found.

Eastern Red-backed Salamander (Plethodon cinereus)

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Secure—Common, widespread,

and abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Widespread-reconfirmed 9 of 12

Niagara RM townships +

Haldimand

Map # 15



This is the most terrestrial of all Ontario's lungless salamanders and their larvae is not aquatic (Petranka 1998). Nevertheless they breathe through their skin and therefore they must remain moist. They are often found in similar habitats as the spring salamanders and can be confused with them. However their terrestrial adaptations allow them to exist in much drier conditions and are therefore more widespread. They are smaller and their eyes more to the side then on top of their head. They can be either dark red brown with flecks, orange or a grey colour called "lead phase" (Behler and King 1998). They are found in the damp forested areas in Niagara under leaf litter, rocks and logs and areas that have not been overly

trampled by cattle. They are susceptible to fertilizer, herbicide and pesticide runoff and their presence would indicate a high quality forest floor ecosystem.

Four-toed Salamander (Hemidactylium scutatum)

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Apparently Secure—

Uncommon but not rare.

Niagara NAI: Localized (1 site confirmed of 9

historic) Haldimand only

Map # 16



This species is a small secretive salamander, orange to reddish brown with a white under belly with black spots (Fisher et al 2007). It is named after the hind limbs which have characteristic four toes. It is a habitat specialist found in areas with sphagnum moss, mossy forests and grassy beaver meadows surrounded by drier forested habitat (Petranka 1998). It reproduces in wetland ponds and spends the summer under leaf litter in the forest. It overwinters below the frost line in terrestrial burrows created by rotting roots or animal burrows. In the Niagara NAI study area it was confirmed in one location, but is likely in West Lincoln Slough forests, Wainfleet Bog (MacDonald 1992), Point Abino and Willoughby Marsh.

AQUATIC SALAMANDER

Common Mudpuppy (Necturus m. maculosus)

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably secure

under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Apparently Secure—Uncommon

but not rare.

Niagara NAI: Localized (several Welland River

sites confirmed) 2 of 12 Niagara RM townships + Hamilton

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The only permanently aquatic salamander in Ontario (Behler and King 1998) is usually found in large clear water bodies of Niagara such as in the Welland River Between the two canals and the Old Welland Canal in the City of Welland, the Dain City portion of the Old Welland Canal, the Lake Erie Shoreline including Gravelly Bay, Lorraine Bay and Point Abino bay. There are also a few observations further upstream in the Welland River where the conditions are more turbid. The recent outbreak of botulism toxins in Lake Erie were suspected to cause a large die off of mudpuppy in the Point Abino Bay area a few years ago. Environment Canada suspects that non-native species, such as zebra mussels and gobies,

Map#

play a role in increasing the food web availability of such toxins. This species is entirely aquatic and is vulnerable to pollution, as well as accidental harvest by ice fisherman.

MOLE SALAMANDERS

Mole salamanders are named as a group because of their burrowing terrestrial nature and adults with well developed lungs (Petranka 1998).

Blue-spotted Salamander (Ambystoma laterale)

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Apparently Secure—Uncommon

but not rare;

Niagara NAI: Localized (9 sites confirmed in

6 of 12 Niagara RM townships)

Map # 18 and 20



The Blue-spotted salamander is an attractive blue-black colour with characteristic blue and white flecks on its sides (Behler and King 1998). In Niagara it is found under logs, and leaf litter in moist forested areas with vernal pools and no predatory fish. They were found in the slough forests and swamps of Fort Erie, Niagara Falls, Port Colborne, Wainfleet, West Lincoln and Haldimand.. Search effort was poor in West Lincoln and North of the escarpment toward Lake Ontario; however several new sites were confirmed in Fort Erie, Wainfleet and Niagara Falls. They have an aquatic larval phase and a terrestrial adult phase. They are nocturnal and congregate in spring in forested vernal pools to breed. They are normally associated with loose sandy or loamy soils (Petranka 1998). This species has declined with deforestation and agricultural or urban development (Petranka 1998). They do not breed successfully in acidic conditions suggesting acid rain could limit their distribution in northern Ontario (Petranka 1998). Threats to this species include wetland filling and draining, introduction of fish to breeding ponds, pollutants, such as insecticides and herbicides, and loss of adult habitat (Lipps 2005). They are often killed on roads during spring migration. They are therefore sensitive to fertilizer, herbicide and pesticide runoff and would not be found in forests with tightly compacted soils or those which are trampled by cattle or high pedestrian traffic areas (Ontario Vernal Pool Association). Their presence would indicate a high quality forest floor ecosystem. They are listed as a species on conservation concern in most northeastern United States (New Jersey, New Hampshire, Connecticuit, Ohio and Vermont).

Jefferson Salamander (Ambystoma jeffersonianum)

National Status: Threatened

Provincial Status: Threatened

Niagara NAI: No records exist for the Niagara

study area

Map # None



This salamander is lighter than the Blue-spotted, typically dark grey, brown or black with tiny flecks of blue or silver on the sides and the vent is grey. They are larger, ranging from 11 to 18cm long as adults, and slender with longer toes than the Blue Spotted salamander (Behler and King 1998). They are nocturnal and migrate in very early spring just after the snow melts. They are competent burrowers and hibernate below the frost line in those burrows. The burrows are usually close to the breeding ponds. They breed in vernal pools and permanent ponds that do not contain predatory fish. In fragmented landscapes there may be a considerable migration from hibernation to breeding ponds and many may be killed on roads during this migration (Fisher et al 2007). There are no confirmed records of pure Jefferson salamanders for the study area.

Blue-spotted-Jefferson (A. laterale-jeffersonianum) Complex

Map# 19 and 20

In Ontario, a complex of ambystomid salamanders exist that have various polyploid genetic representations of pure Blue-spotted (LL) and pure Jefferson (JJ) DNA. This results almost entirely in unisexual females with many different combinations of the genomes of these species (LLJ, LJJ, LJJJ). Their chromosomes came, at one time from the diploid species (LJ) but there is no evidence of ongoing hybridization (COSEWIC 2007). The polyploidy process is called gynogenesis. Eggs from polyploidy females are clones of the female and can only hatch when the female picks up a spermatophor deposited by a diploid male; either blue-spotted (LL) or jefferson (JJ). However; the male's haploid DNA is not ususally incorporated into the offspring's DNA and the offspring remain as genetic clones of the mother. At higher temperatures the sperm nucleus is more likely to be incorporated into the egg, resulting in an offspring with elevated ploidy (Bogart *et al* 1989). For example, if sperm from an *A. jeffersonianum* is incorporated into a LJJ egg, the resulting embryo would be a tetraploid LJJJ. Hence, the presence of LJJ and LJJJ embryos in the same egg mass is very strong indirect evidence that *A. jeffersonianum* is present in the population (COSEWIC 2000). Genetic analysis is the best method to differentiate individuals within this complex.

One LLJ was confirmed in Niagara Falls in 2008 of 8 samples tested and 3 unconfirmed members of the complex were identified using physical characteristics as per (Weller et al, 1976). These sites were in St. Catharines, Thorold and south Niagara Falls. Historic sites include the Twenty Mile Creek Watershed and West Lincoln which were not well sampled during this study period.

Spotted Salamander (Ambystoma maculatum)

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present

conditions.

Provincial Rank: Apparently Secure—

Uncommon but not rare.

Niagara NAI: Localized (1 site of 10

historic confirmed during study - Haldimand only)

Map # 21



This is a large terrestrial salamander (10 to 18cm long) that is black with characteristic yellow spots although sometimes they are just black (Petranka 1998). They migrate in early spring to breed in vernal ponds and permanent ponds that are fish predator free. They spend most of their life in underground burrows but may be found in leaf litter and under logs. In Niagara this species was verified in one location in Haldimand during this study although this species was under sampled. It is likely present in the townships of Lincoln, West Lincoln, Thorold and Pelham where it was previously identified (NHIC 2008) provided the forested habitat remains suitable.

Reptiles Snakes Lizards and Turtles

Squamata: Lizards and Snakes

Common Five-lined Skink (Plestiodon fasciatus)

National Status: Endangered Carolinian Population

Provincial Status: Special Concern

Niagara NAI: Localized (1 site confirmed during

study in Haldimand)

Map # 22



Ontario's only lizard is divided into two separate designatable units by COSEWIC who determined the Carolinian population's status as endangered and the Canadian Shield population status as special concern (COSEWIC 2007). The provincial designation remains as special concern. This species inhabits forested areas with both wetland and upland features and loose soils for digging (Fisher et al 2007). It hibernates in terrestrial sites below the frost line in burrows. In Niagara it was confirmed in one location. Other sites were searched several times based upon observational reports of skinks but none where found. Previous surveys found this species associated with the Niagara escarpment and Short Hills Area of North Pelham where additional searches are recommended.

Northern Red-bellied Snake (Storeria occipitomaculata)

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Secure—Common, widespread,

and abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Localized (3 sites in 2 Niagara

RM townships + Haldimand)

Map # 23



This is a small insectivorous snake with characteristic red under belly and light blotches behind the head that may look like a collar (Behler and King 1998). It may appear, grey, brown or black or orange depending upon the habitat it is hiding in. It is secretive and not readily observed. It is found in wetlands, bogs and forested areas; under logs, rocks, brush piles and leaves (Fisher et al 2007). It was confirmed in 3 locations during this study although it is likely found in more areas, due to its secretive nature a detailed search effort is required to confirm.

Northern Brownsnake (Storeria d. dekayi)

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Secure—Common, widespread, and

abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Widespread (15 sites confirmed

during study in 5 of 12 Niagara RM

townships + Haldimand)

Map # 24



This is a small light brown coloured snake with a characteristic light dorsal stripe and parallel rows of spots (Behler and King 1998). It is predominantly insectivorous and is found in a wide range of habitats such as wetlands, roadside ditches, rocky areas and wooded areas (Fisher et al 2007). It was confirmed in 15 sites across the region during this study period. There is a lack of search effort north of the escarpment along Lake Ontario and not necessarily a decline in historic range. More detailed search effort is required to confirm this species in the remaining townships.

Northern Ring-necked Snake (Diadophis punctatus edwardsii)

Global Rank: Very common;

demonstrably secure under

present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Apparently Secure—

Uncommon but not rare.

Niagara NAI: Localized (0 sites of 2

historic confirmed during

study)

Map # 25



This is a small snake, dark grey or black with an orange, yellow under belly and a characteristic collar at the base of its head (Behler, and. King. 1998). It inhabits moist woods usually hiding under logs and forest debris (Fisher et. al. 2007). It was not seen in the study area during this study period but was found nearby in Haldimand region.

Eastern Gartersnake (Thamnophis s. sirtalis)

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Secure—Common, widespread,

and abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Widespread (>30 sites

confirmed in 11 of 12

townships + Haldimand and

Hamilton)

Map # 26



This is the most common and widely distributed snake species in Niagara. It is typically long and slender with lateral stripes or spots but may also have no stripes or completly black "melanistic" (Fisher et. al. 2007). One such individual was seen prior to the study along the sand dunes of Lake Erie. As in the photograph above the colour red is sometimes present. They are known to hibernate communally and the presence of large numbers of them in close proximity in early spring is an indication that you are nearby their wintering site. They are found in wetlands, hedgerows, moist forests, ravines, suburban areas and agricultural fields. They are often killed on roads as they are moving back and forth among habitat features.

Northern Ribbonsnake (Thamnophis sauritus septentrionalis)

National Status: Special Concern; except

Nova Scotia which is

Threatened

Provincial Status: Special Concern

Niagara NAI: Localized (5 sites

confirmed in 3 of 12 Niagara RM townships +

Haldimand)

Map # 27



The Northern Ribbon snake is a slender attractive snake which looks similar to the more common garter snake but it is predominantly black with three contrasting yellow stripes, one mid-dorsal and remaining two on scale rows 3 and 4 and has a distinct white half moon spot in front of the eye (Fisher et. al. 2007). It is a secretive species associated with wetlands and edges of fields. They hibernate in terrestrial sites communally in an underground burrow below the frost line with their own or other snake species (COSEWIC, 2002). This species was confirmed in 5 sites in the study area. Additional detailed surveys are required to confirm this species presence in remaining townships.

Queen Snake (Regina septemvittata)

National Status: Threatened

Provincial Status: Threatened

Niagara NAI: Data Deficient (0

sites confirmed during study)

Map # 28



The Queen snake is a specialized crayfish consumer and inhabits cold to cool water clear streams where it can be found under rocks or basking on banks or in shrubbery (Fisher et. al. 2007). It is not well known in the Niagara NAI study area where there are no NHIC records (COSEWIC 2000; NHIC 2008). However there are anecdotal references to this species in the local MNR fisheries assessment files (1970's) from the Creek valleys of Twelve Mile, and Fifteen Mile. Further searching for this rare, secretive snake is needed.

Smooth Greensnake (Opheodrys vernalis)

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Apparently Secure—

Uncommon but not rare.

Niagara NAI: Localized (1 site confirmed in

1 of 12 Niagara RM townships)

Map # 29



The Smooth Greensnake is readily identified in the field because of its unique bright green colouration (Behler and King 1998). However their colour and secretive nature make them difficult to find in the grassy meadows and open wetlands which they favour (Fisher et al 2007). They are insectivorous and hibernate below the frost line, in underground terrestrial sites with other snakes. Conservation concerns are possible because use of insecticides in field areas may be harming this species food supply and may explain their decline in southwestern Ontario. In Niagara they were confirmed in 1 township during this study. More survey effort is needed especially in West Lincoln and Haldimand to determine presence or absence.

Northern Watersnake (Nerodia s. sipedon)

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Secure—Common, widespread,

and abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Widespread (16 sites confirmed

during study- 7 of 12 Niagara RM townships + Haldimand)

Map # 30



This large mottled coloured snake is found along shorelines, rivers, creeks and wetlands in the Niagara Area (Behler, and King, 1998). This species was found in all surveyed townships; however no surveys were conducted in West Lincoln, Grimsby and Lincoln. During the active season this species is aquatic and most often seen basking on rocks near the shoreline. It hibernates below the frost line in terrestrial cavities, burrows, karsts and rocky crevasses. They are communal hibernators therefore finding a large number of them together in early spring means you are likely near a hibernaculum. Unfortunately they are often mistaken for venomous snake and are killed (Fisher et.al.2007). They feed predominantly on fish and frogs.

Eastern Milksnake (Lampropeltis t. triangulum)

National Status: Special Concern

Provincial Status: Special Concern

Niagara NAI: Localized (10 sites confirmed in

7 of 12 Niagara RM townships)

Map # 31



The Eastern Milksnake is a mottled snake with a greyish brown background and reddish brown blotches with black borders and a light colored "V"shaped or "Y"shaped patch behind their head (Behler and. King 1998). They are egg layers that use rotting logs, compost piles and manure piles as egg laying sites and therefore are found around barns. They eat small mammals and small snakes. They are also found in field areas, wetlands and edges of moist forested areas (COSEWIC 2002). During this study they were confirmed in 10 locations within 6 townships. Due to their secretive nature, ongoing search effort is needed throughout the region.

Eastern Hog-nosed Snake (Heterodon platirhinos)

National Status: Threatened

Provincial Status: Threatened

Niagara NAI: Localized (1 sites of 3

historical confirmed in 1 of 12

Niagara RM townships)

Map # 32



This secretive snake is typically large with brown mottles resembling a rattlesnake, water snake or fox snake. It has an upturned snout and flat head (Behler and King 1998). It has a unique behavior when threatened it spreads its neck out like a cobra and then it rolls over to play "dead'. It is not venomous but if bitten it can produce swelling (COSEWIC 2007). This threatened species is a specialized toad eater and therefore can tolerate the skin toxins produced by toads. It is not well known in the Niagara NAI study area but occasional sightings of "cobra-like" snakes are convincing observations. In Niagara they are occasionally found in sandy habitats, dunes and beaches along the Lake Erie shoreline. It hibernates below the frost line in sand dunes. One specimen (dead neonate) was collected by MNR staff in 2002 near Point Abino, where this species was previously reported (MacDonald 1990; T.Seburn pers. com.).

Gray Ratsnake (Pantherophis spiloides)

(a.k.a Black ratsnake)

National Status: Endangered Carolinian

Population

Provincial Status: Threatened

Niagara NAI: Localized (1 sites of 7

historic confirmed during study; 1 of 12 Niagara RM

townships)

Map # 33



The Gray Ratsnake was known previously as the Black Ratsnake and is the largest snake species in Ontario (COSEWIC 2007). Sightings that report a large black snake in trees or in garden sheds confirms the presence of this species. It is very secretive and spends the majority of its active season hiding in trees, cavities and sheds. It is more probable to find one in early spring when they emerge from communal hibernation sites or when they breed or egg lay. They hibernate in terrestrial sites below the frost line in karsts, rock crevasses, burrows and old foundations (Yagi and Tervo 2006; COSEWIC 2007). They have large home ranges and in fragmented landscapes like Niagara they must cross roads and therefore often killed. We had one confirmation of this species in the escarpment area of Fifteen Mile Creek and anecdotal evidence of observations in Port Robinson and Humberstone within the last 5 years. The previous documentation of this species in Wainfleet Bog is incorrect (NHIC). Historic accounts found this species in the Upper Twenty Mile Creek, Upper Fifteen Mile, Short Hills Provincial Park and Niagara Escarpment areas. Further search effort is needed in these areas.

Eastern Fox Snake (Pantherophis gloydi)

National Status: Endangered

Provincial Status: Threatened

Niagara NAI: Introduced

Map # No Map



The Eastern Foxsnake is a large brown and black mottled snake and is not considered to be a Niagara species but it is included here because of past misidentification reports and a recent incident where it was discovered along the Niagara parkway in Fort Erie. The juvenile snake likely arrived in Fort Erie on board

a logging truck which was delayed at the border. The snake was captured and transported to the Toronto Zoo where they use it in their snake education program. The nearest observation records of the species are from Rock Point and James N. Allen Provincial Parks in Haldimand. These observations are considered outliers from the normal range of this species which is considered to be further west along Lake Erie and Lake Huron shorelines (COSEWIC 2008). Two ANSI reports mistakenly listed this species as present in escarpment areas (Schaefer et al 1992; Varga et al 1992).

Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake (Sistrurus c. catenatus)

National Status: Threatened

Provincial Status: Threatened

Niagara NAI: Localized (1 sites of 2

confirmed during study; 2 of 12

Niagara RM townships)

Map # 34 Data Sensitive



The Eastern Massasauga rattlesnake is the only remaining venomous snake in Ontario. It is found in four disjunct populations known as Bruce Peninsula, Georgian Bay, Windsor and Niagara where it inhabits one location (COSEWIC 2002). It is recognizable because of its mottled coloration; rattle at the end of its tail and triangular shaped head (COSWEIC 2002). In Niagara this species was heavily persecuted and its habitat was almost eliminated until a large portion of land was purchased by the Nature Conservancy, Province of Ontario and the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority in 1996 (Frohlich 1997; Yagi and Frohlich, 1998; OMNR 2001; Yagi and Tervo 2003; Yagi and Tervo 2005). It is a very secretive snake and difficult to find. Detailed population and radio telemetry studies completed in the last 10 years have demonstrated that this species does not remain on publicly owned land during the active season, resulting in human related mortalities (Yagi and Tervo 2005). Additional conservation efforts are needed to stop the decline of this population.

Timber Rattlesnake (Crotalus horridus)

National Status: Extirpated

Provincial Status: Endangered

Niagara NAI: Localized likely extirpated

(0 sites of 3 historic-confirmed during study)

Map # 35



The Timber Rattlesnake once inhabited the Niagara Gorge and is now considered extirpated from Canada (COSEWIC 2001). The last confirmed collection of the species in Canada was in the Niagara Gorge in 1941 (Env. Can. 2007). Anecdotal reports of aggressive human persecution and the release of pigs into the gorge is believed to have caused the local extirpation of this species. Since there were other unconfirmed observations in the 1960's and 1970's and they are a long lived species, historic areas were revisited just prior to this study period and no Timber rattlesnakes were found (Yagi and Mills 2004). A large aggregation of Northern Water snakes in early spring suggests that hibernation sites may remain suitable for large bodied snake species. However, no reintroduction is planned because of a lack of remaining habitat in the tableland areas outside of the gorge where the snakes were known to move during the summer months (Env. Can. 2007). The closest population to the Niagara Gorge is in Western New York State, where it occurs in low numbers.

Testudinata: Turtles and Tortoises

The vast majority of Ontario's freshwater turtles are Species at Risk. They are especially vulnerable to any increase in adult mortality because they are long lived and have a late age of sexual maturity. Juvenile recruitment can also be poor because there is no parental care of nest sites and egg predation is high especially in agricultural and urban areas where raccoon populations are also high. Some species of turtles have large home ranges and must move large distances to find suitable nesting sites. Adult morality is escalated in areas with high road densities (Seburn 2007).

Midland Painted Turtle (Chrysemys picta marginata)

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably secure

under present conditions.

Provincial Rank: Secure—Common, widespread, and

abundant in the province.

Niagara NAI: Widespread (>50 sites confirmed during

study in 12 of 12 Niagara RM townships

+ Haldimand and Hamilton)

Map # 36



The most common turtle species in Niagara is the Midland Painted Turtle. It is found along shorelines, large waterbodies, ponds, creeks and wetlands throughout the study area. It is adapted to hibernate in the mud of ponds that may have cold but not freezing conditions and they have adapted to very low oxygen and anoxia conditions for up to 5 months (Behler and King 1998; Ernst et al 1994). This turtle uses the calcium carbonate deposits in their shell to buffer the acid build up in their tissues during anaerobic metabolism (glycolysis) of carbohydrate stores in their tissues. The young of year are also freeze tolerant meaning they can remain in the shallow nest all winter and their tissues can freeze. This adaptation allows them to inhabit a wide variety of habitats (Ernst et al 1994). During the active season they are mostly found near or in water often basking on logs and floating debris. They nest in terrestrial sites in open sandy or loose soils with south facing slopes. They are often killed on roads during the nesting season.

Spotted Turtle (Clemmys guttata)

National Status: Endangered

Provincial Status: Endangered

Niagara NAI: Localized (1 sites of 2 historic

confirmed during study; 2 of 12

Niagara RM townships)

Map # 37 (Data Sensitive)



The Spotted Turtle (*Clemmys guttata*) is an endangered species in Canada (COSEWIC 2004). This means that it is at risk of becoming extirpated from Canada if threats are not reversed. Major threats to this species include habitat loss and the illegal harvest for the pet trade industry (Seburn 2007). This species inhabits wetlands including marshes, fens and bogs which are declining in quality, distribution and abundance throughout their range. Their current range in Canada is restricted to small disjunct populations in Ontario. The Niagara population of Spotted turtles has undergone severe range restriction since European settlement. This decline has been attributed to haitat fragmentation, wetland drainage activities, peat mining, road mortality and pet trade over harvest. As part of population recovery efforts, the Ministry of Natural Resources has under taken detailed population mark/recapture and radio telemetry studies since 1998. In addition to this work nearly 75% of the remaining habitat is now under public ownership and a significant effort is underway to restore and improve wetland habitat. In order to halt the population decline to facilitate recovery, the annual adult and juvenile survivorship must be stabilized or increased. This constitutes the recovery goal for this population.

Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

National Status: Threatened

Provincial Status: Threatened

Niagara NAI: Localized (4 sites of 11

historic confirmed during study; 4 of 12 Niagara RM

townships)

Map # 38



This species has large home ranges requiring movement between habitat features used during their life cycle. These features include ponds or sloughs for hibernation, wetlands, creeks and nesting sites (COSEWIC 2005; Seburn 2007). It was recently found basking in wetland slough forest ponds, walking along roadsides and ditches in the southern townships of Niagara region. Niagara historic range and present observations closely match therefore distribution has not overly changed except for the Lake Ontario tributaries where there are no recent observations to report. The areas of Jordan Harbour and Estuaries of Fifteen and Sixteen Mile were surveyed by boat in 2008 and this species was not observed. Observations in Fort Erie are also lacking for this species; however it is probably still present.

Wood Turtle (Glyptemys insculpta)

National Status: Threatened

Provincial Status: Endangered

Niagara NAI: Localized probably extirpated (1

historic site needs searching in 1

township)

Map # 39 Data Sensitive



This endangered species was observed in Fort Erie in the late 1980's, however the area was not searched during this survey period. Since they are a long-lived species it is possible that a few individuals may still be around but it is unlikely that a viable population exists (Smith pers com; COSEWIC 2007). As with the Box turtle, it is also possible that the observations were from released individuals as this was a popular pet trade species (M.Oldham pers. com.). Further field work is needed to verify this occurrence record.

Northern Map Turtle (Graptemys geographica)

National Status: Special Concern

Provincial Status: Special Concern

Niagara NAI: Localized (2 sites of 6 historic

confirmed during study; 1 of 12

Niagara RM townships +

Haldimand)

Map # 40



This highly aquatic species is generally found during the active season along the shorelines of large bodies of water (COSEWIC 2002; Seburn 2007). Historic records for this species in Niagara are poorly documented and several records were found unreported from live trap fish surveys. It is known to occur along the lower Niagara River, Lake Ontario and Lake Erie shorelines as well as the confluence of the shoreline and larger creeks, drains and canals. It may also be found in the upper Niagara River, eastern Welland River and Chippawa channel areas. This turtle nests in loose soil or sandy terrestrial sites associated with the shoreline and hibernates in water deep enough so that it does not freeze and remains well oxygenated with little current and no ice scour.

Eastern Box Turtle (Terrapene c. carolina)

National Status: Data Deficient

Provincial Status: Data Deficient

Niagara NAI: Introduced (0 sites of 1

historic)

Map # 41



The two Niagara records were from Fort Erie where anecdotal reports are that the turtles were released from captivity (T.Seburn pers. com.). No further records are known and this species has not been seen in the wild since (NHIC 2008).

Red-eared Slider (Trachemys scripta scripta)

Global Rank: Very common; demonstrably

secure under present

conditions.

Provincial Rank: Introduced

Niagara NAI: Introduced (6 sites of 1

historic; 7 of 12 Niagara RM townships) increasing trend

of observations

Map # 42



The Red-eared slider is not a native Canadian turtle (Ernst et al 1994; Behler and King 1998). It is commonly purchased from pet stores and illegally released by pet owners into ponds and Niagara waterways. This species does hibernate successfully in the Niagara NAI study area and successful breeding was documented recently in southwestern Ontario (S. Gillingwater pers. com.) and therefore they would likely be successful breeders in Niagara. There is the potential for displacement of native turtles and disease transfer into wild populations which can be catastrophic to local populations. Numbers of this species are increasing in the study area.

Eastern Musk Turtle (Sternotherus odoratus)

Global Status: Threatened

Provincial Status: Threatened

Niagara NAI: Localized (0 sites of 1

historic)

Map # 43



This small (8 - 13cm) aquatic, secretive, nocturnal turtle is also known as "Stinkpot" because it emits a musky odor when it feels threatened (Ernst et al 1994). Although no sites were confirmed during this survey, this species was not specifically targeted by sampling at night when it is most active. The most recent observation was near Port Colborne in 1979 and again in the early 2000's (J.Kamstra pers. com.) and likely a population still exists in this area. It is found in shallow weedy ponds and lakes with muddy bottoms where it spends most of its active season in the water. The major threat to this species is loss of habitat from shoreline development and drainage of wetlands. They nest on top of abandoned muskrat lodges and rotting logs and hibernate in the bottom of these ponds. They are highly aquatic and require interconnected water linkages to move between wetland ponds. They do not move over dry terrestrial habitat to disperse (COSEWIC 2002; Seburn 2007).

Eastern Spiny Softshell (Apalone s. spinifera)

Global Status: Threatened

Provincial Status: Threatened

Niagara NAI: Localized (0 sites of 1

historic Niagara RM township)

Map # 44



This aquatic turtle is a river or shallow lake species found basking on mudflats, sandbars and wetland vegetation. It hides very well in soft substrates by burying itself in the mud and extending its nose above the water to breathe (Ernst et al 1994). It hibernates in the bottom of river pools or bays and estuaries with sandy substrates that do not freeze or scour and remain well oxygenated. They have large home ranges and move very long distances and return to habitually used hibernation areas. They are vulnerable to encounters with boat motors and fishing gear (COSEWIC 2002; Seburn 2007).

This species was previously recorded for Jordan Harbour but was not found during this survey. Additional search effort is required for this species.

Eastern Snapping Turtle (Chelydra s. serpentina)

National Status: Special Concern

Provincial Status: Under review

Niagara NAI: Widespread (11 of 12 Niagara

RM townships + Haldimand

and Hamilton)

Map # 45



This is the largest freshwater turtle in Canada which inhabits slow moving water with a soft mud bottom and dense aquatic vegetation found along rivers, estuaries, shorelines and wetlands. They have adapted to survive anoxic conditions during hibernation which has probably aided their wide distribution in North America (Ernst et al 1994). Although widespread in the province several notable declines and local extirpations have been documented and this species is now listed as special concern (COSEWIC 2008). Nesting sites are terrestrial areas with loose soils and often along roadways and railway beds. Adult females are often killed on roads during the nesting period. They are found in developed areas (e.g. golf

course ponds, irrigation canals and storm water ponds); it is unlikely that populations could persist in such habitats (COSEWIC 2008). Snapping Turtles are also tolerant of highly polluted waterways (e.g. Hamilton Harbour, Ontario), however environmental contamination is known to limit reproductive success. In general, Snapping Turtle habitat is diminishing in both quantity and quality in Canada with losses primarily due to drainage of wetlands for agriculture and urban purposes.

During this study Snapping turtles were found in several large creeks and rivers such as the Welland River, Jordan Harbour, Fifteen and sixteen Mile Estuary, Lyons Creek and Feeder Canal. They were also observed in several golf course ponds, drains and wetlands and several were found crossing roads or as road kill.

4.0 Spatial Analysis: Data Gaps

Municipality

The combination of NAI and other data sources reveals some areas that still remain under sampled in the study area (Figure 7). These blank areas which show up as white spaces do not necessarily mean there are no reptiles and amphibians inhabiting these areas, especially for species known to be widespread (Table 4). These spatial gaps emphasize the need for a mechanism such as the continuation of the Ontario Herpetofaunal Summary (OHS) and / or keeping the NAI database an "open file" to capture species information so that future land use decisions reflect the best available information. Species at Risk and uncommon species are more difficult to find and therefore need additional targeted studies. The municipalities of Fort Erie, Port Colborne, western part of Wainfleet and Pelham, eastern portion of West Lincoln, south Welland and Lincoln need additional sampling effort (Figure 7).

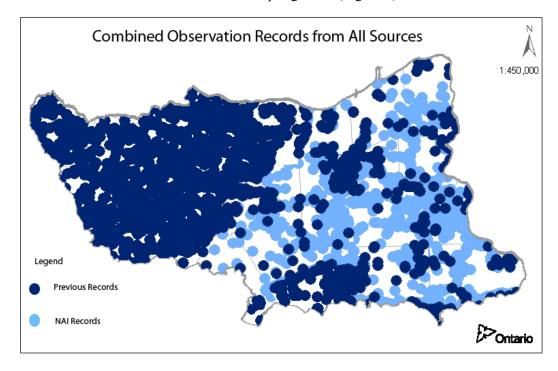


Figure 7: Reptile and Amphibian Records for the Study Area (NAI and Previous sources).

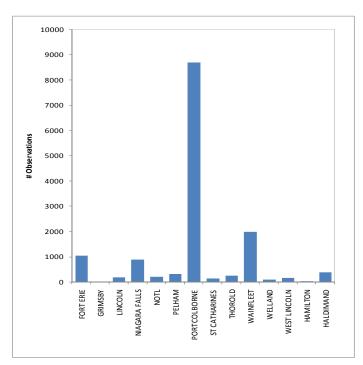


Figure 8a: Total Niagara NAI Herp Observations by Township from all data sources.

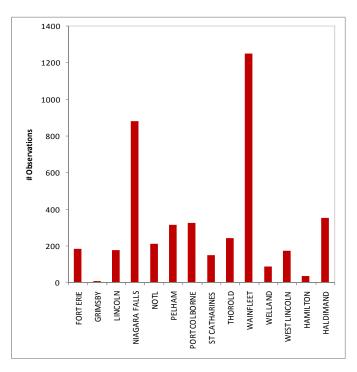


Figure 8b: NAI Herp Observations by Township minus Fowler's toad Observations

The majority of NAI observations were skewed towards the City of Port Colborne because of an intensive SAR sampling project for Fowler's toad. For this project weekly sampling of all life stages occurs in a given sample area and accounts for over 8,000 records collected from 2001 to 2008 (Figure 8a). When Fowler's toad records are removed from this analysis the number of observations better reflects the survey effort for each township (Figure 8b). The highest number of herp records occurred in the Township of Wainfleet followed by the City of Niagara Falls which also reflects the municipalities with the highest search effort and SAR focus (Figure 8b).

Present Land Use Designations

A spatial gap analysis of NAI reptile and amphibian point observations was also conducted to determine if the observations were contained within protected lands such as designated Wetlands, Woodlands, Agreement Forests, ANSI's, Crown lands, Conservation Areas, Niagara Escarpment (including Niagara Parks Commission), Green Belt and the Draft Places to Grow Plan (Figure 9).

The land use designation which currently offers the most protection to reptiles and amphibians in Niagara is the "Draft Places to Grow" plan which included over 50% of the observations. This mapping exercise used all available NHIC data and mapped ANSI's, wetlands and other important habitats such as shorelines and water bodies to establish a Natural Heritage Framework. This land use planning designation has not been approved under the Natural Heritage policies of the Planning Act. The next highest level of inclusion is mapped wetlands, where nearly 14% of observations were within these designated lands. However, only some of these wetlands are provincially significant and therefore have

protection under the Planning Act. All mapped wetlands are also managed under regultation 155/06 of the Conservation Authorities Act which allows for some protection and modification of non-Provincially Significant Wetlands (non PSW). MNR Crown lands and CA properties included nearly 8 % of these observations. Since some of these areas are also wetlands they are also represented under that category. Less than 2% of the observations are included within the newly designated "Green Belt Plan". This may reflect either a lack of sample effort or a low number of reptile and amphibian species in this area.

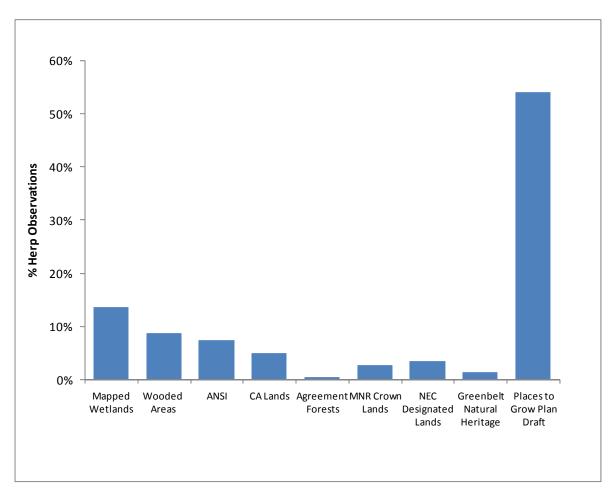


Figure 9: Reptile and Amphibian Observations within Designated Lands

5.0 Discussion and Recommendations

Regionally Significant Reptiles and Amphibians

In addition to Species at Risk, several reptile and amphibian species have a very localized distribution or are not widespread in this region and should be considered regionally significant at this time. In nearby Hamilton, seven species were listed as uncommon; Red-spotted Newt, Blue-spotted Salamander, American Bullfrog, Northern Watersnake, Red-bellied Snake and the Smooth Greensnake. Another three species are considered rare; Four-toed Salamander, Pickerel Frog and Northern Ring-necked Snake. In Niagara seven species and one hybrid meet the definition of limited distribution or few observations (Table 2). It is possible that these species are not observed because they are difficult to sample (i.e cryptic), therefore this list should remain open for status updates when new information becomes available.

Data Gaps

The Niagara Region Natural Areas Inventory Reptile and Amphibian study was carried out for a limited three field seasons. Additional data collected immediately prior to the study were added to the NAI database. Historic records from NHIC/OHS helped provide additional spatial and species data for the study area. Never-the-less, spatial and species gaps are still evident. A mechanism or process is recommended to continue to update the database to provide the best available information to decision makers regarding land use changes.

Recommendations

- 1. Maintain a local NAI database and copy all species point observation records to NHIC for provincial updates.
- 2. Update distribution maps and establish spatial trends over time.
- 3. Use standardize methods for determining the presence/absence of reptile and amphibian species which have seasonal and spatial optima.
- 4. Use more than one method to establish presence or absence of a species. For example, calling surveys are most commonly used to establish presence or absence of anurans; however this only establishes where breeding males are located. This is only one part of the life cycle. Calling surveys need to be backed up by field surveys for tadpoles, metamorphs and adults post reproductive period to establish habitat linkage information. In addition, early calling species are often missed unless studies begin in early March. Another method called coverboard sampling is excellent to determine the presence of some salamander and most snake species- however they must be given at least one year minimum to weather on the site before sampling adequately reflects a species presence. Minnow traps are another excellent technique for capturing mole salamanders and many frog species when they are in breeding ponds. Specific protocols and permits are required for all surveyings requiring capture, trapping, DNA sampling or handling. Please contact the local MNR office for more information.
- 5. Since many aquatic systems in Niagara are precipitation driven, the timing of sampling of many herp species should coincide with the optimum seasonal distribtuion of water. Use more than 1 year to establish presence or absence of a species especially following drought years.
- 6. Repeat Western Chorus frog surveys regularly to ascertain trends.
- 7. Birds Studies Canada Marsh Amphibian monitoring data may help fill some spatial data gaps for several anuran species and should be incorparted into the NAI database when it becomes available.

Table 2: Recommended Niagara Regionally Signficant species in addition to COSEWIC or COSSARO/SARO designations of Species at Risk

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	RATIONALE
American Bullfrog	Lithobates catesbeianus	Localized distribution need permanent water/marsh sites. Species distribution decreased with drought conditions in 20 Mile Creek Watershed.
Pickerel Frog	Lithobates palustris	Localized Distribution based upon specialized habitat need cold, clear groundwater discharge areas. Verified in 2 of 7 historic locations and only 2 of 12 Niagara RM townships.
Red-spotted Newt	Notophthalmus v. viridescens	Localized Distribution Verified in 4 sites – 3 of 12 Niagara RM townships + Haldimand
Four-toed Salamander	Hemidactylium scutatum	Localized Distribution based upon specialized habitat need of sphagnum moss hummocks. Verified in 1 site of 9 historic- Haldimand only
Blue-spotted Salamander	Ambystoma laterale	Localized Distribution -should be present in most slough forest and swamp wetland communities. Habitat fragmentation and habitat quality may limit their distribution.
Blue-spotted/	Ambystoma laterale-	Verified in 9 sites - 6 of 12 Niagara RM townships. LJJ or LJJJ May indicate presence of SAR Jefferson
Jefferson Complex	jeffersonianum (Jefferson genome dominates)	salamander
Spotted Salamander	Ambystoma maculatum	Localized Distribution and very few observations in Niagara
Northern Ring-necked Snake	Diadophis punctatus edwardsii	Verified in 1 site of 10 historic - Haldimand only Localized Distribution and only confirmed ocurrence in Niagara may be historic Verified in 0 sites of 2 historic
Northern Red-bellied	Storeria occipitomaculata	Localized Distribution-Verified in 3 sites in 2

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	RATIONALE
Snake	occipitomaculata	Niagara RM townships + Haldimand)
Smooth Greensnake	Opheodrys vernalis	Localized Distribution Veified in 1 site only- 1 of 12 Niagara RM townships)

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Appendix 1:

Table 3: Species incorrectly identified to exist in the Niagara Study in the references indicated

Common Name OTHER REPORTS	Scientific Name	Significance Niagara Region	Ecologistics 1976 (for Hamilton)	Brady 1980 (R.M.Niagara)
Mink Frog	Rana septentrionalis	Not Local	Intro	
Butler's Gartersnake	Thamnophis butleri	SAR-Not Local	\checkmark	
Spotted Gartersnake	Thamnophis sirtalis sirtalis	Same as Eastern Gartersnake		$\sqrt{}$
Northern Banded Watersnake	Nerodia sipedon sipedon	Same as Northern Watersnake		$\sqrt{}$
Muhlenburg's Turtle (Bog Turtle)	Clemmys muhlenbergii	Not an Ontario Species		$\sqrt{}$
Smooth-scaled Green snake	Opheodrys vernalis	Same as Smooth Greensnake		$\sqrt{}$
		Same as Northern Red-bellied		2
Storer's snake	Storeria occipito maculata	snake		V

Table 4: List of Niagara NAI Area Reptile and Amphibian species and their National, Provincial and Local (study area) Signifance

Common Name	Scientific Name	Global GRANK	Provincial SRANK	COSEWIC	SARO*	Significance Niagara NAI Area
		Giovai GRAINK	SKANK	COSEWIC	SAKO.	NAI Alea
Wood From		G5 (1996-10-18)	S5 (1994-10-19)			Widomand
Wood Frog	Rana sylvatica	G5 (1990-10-18)	S 5 (1994-10-19)			Widespread
				NAR/ THR		
Western Chorus Frog	Pseudacris triseriata	G5 (1996-10-18)	S4 (2001-02-20)	Eastern	NAR	Widespread
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Spring Peeper	Pseudacris crucifer	G5 (1996-10-18)	S5 (1988-10-24)			Widespread
Gray Treefrog	Hyla versicolor	G5 (1996-10-18)	S5 (1988-10-24)			Widespread
Northern Leopard Frog	Rana pipiens	G5 (1996-10-18)	S5 (1988-10-24)	NAR	NAR	Widespread
Pickerel Frog	Rana palustris	G5 (1996-10-18)	S4 (1997-11-21)	NAR	NAR	Regionally Significant
Green Frog	Rana clamitans	G5 (1996-10-18)	S5 (1995-12-20)			Widespread
American Bullfrog	Rana catesbeiana	G5 (1996-10-18)	S4 (1989-11-09)			Widespread
American Toad	Bufo americanus	G5 (1996-10-17)	S5 (1988-10-24)			Widespread
Fowler's toad	Bufo fowleri	G5 (1996-10-09)	S2 (1988-10-24)	THR	THR	SAR-Locally found
Red-spotted Newt	Notophthalmus viridescens viridescens	G5T5 (1996-11- 01)	S5 (1995-01-01)			Widespread
Northern Dusky Salamander	Desmognathus fuscus	G5 (1996-09-26)	S1 (1989-05-02)	NAR	END	SAR-Locally found
Allegheny Mountain Dusky Salamander	Desmognathus ochrophaeus	G5	S1	END	END	SAR-Locally found
Spring Salamander	Gyrinophilus porphyriticus	G5 (1996-10-10)	SX (1988-10-14)	SC	EXP	SAR-Local-extirpated
Eastern Red-backed Salamander	Plethodon cinereus	G5 (1996-10-11)	S5 (1988-10-24)			Widespread
Four-toed Salamander	Hemidactylium scutatum	G5 (1996-10-10)	S4 (1999-11-01)	NAR	NAR	Regionally Significant
Mudpuppy	Necturus maculosus	G5 (1996-10-11)	S4 (1988-10-24)	NAR	NAR	Widespread
Blue-spotted Salamander	Ambystoma laterale	G5 (1996-09-26)	S4 (1994-07-15)			Regionally Significant
Jefferson Salamander	Ambystoma jeffersonianum	G4 (2002-11-21)	S2 (1990-09-26)	THR	THR	SAR-Locally found

Common Name	Scientific Name	Global GRANK	Provincial SRANK	COSEWIC	SARO*	Significance Niagara NAI Area
Jefferson X Blue-spotted Salamander, Jefferson genome dominates	Ambystoma hybrid population (jeffersonianum genome dominates)	НҮВ	S2 (2002-01-03)			Regionally Significant
Spotted Salamander	Ambystoma maculatum	G5 (1996-09-26)	S4 (1988-10-24)			Regionally Significant
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Five-lined Skink	Eumeces fasciatus	G5 (1996-10-28)	S3 (1995-12-12)	END	SC	SAR-Locally found-DD
Northern Red-bellied Snake	Storeria occipitomaculata occipitomaculata	G5T5 (1996-10- 31)	S5 (1988-10-24)			Regionally Significant
Dekay's Brownsnake	Storeria dekayi	G5 (1996-10-30)	S5 (1988-10-24)	NAR	NAR	Widespread
Ring-necked snake	Diadophis punctatus	G5 (1996-10-29)	S4 (1994-07-15)			Regionally Significant
Eastern Gartersnake	Thamnophis sirtalis sirtalis	G5T?	S5 (1997-04-04)			Widespread
Eastern Ribbonsnake	Thamnophis sauritus	G5 (1997-02-26)	S3 (2002-05-07)	SC	SC	SAR-Locally found
Queen Snake	Regina septemvittata	G5 (1996-10-30)	S2 (1988-10-24)	THR	THR	SAR-DD
Smooth Greensnake	Opheodrys vernalis	G5 (1996-10-30) G5T5 (1996-10-	S4 (1990-09-21)			Regionally Significant
Northern Watersnake	Nerodia sipedon sipedon	31)	S5 (1988-10-24)	NAR	NAR	Widespread
Milksnake	Lampropeltis triangulum	G5 (1996-10-30)	S3 (2002-05-07)	SC	SC	SAR-Locally found
Eastern Hog-nosed snake Gray ratsnake (a.k.a Black	Heterodon platirhinos	G5 (1996-10-30)	S3 (1988-10-24)	THR	THR	SAR-Locally found-DD
ratsnake)	Elaphe spiloides	G5 (1996-10-29)	S3 (1988-10-24)	END	THR	SAR-Locally found-DD
Eastern Foxsnake	Elaphe gloydi	G3 (1996-10-31) G3G4 (1996-10-	S3 (01-Nov-99)	END	THR	SAR-Not Local
Massasauga	Sistrurus catenatus	31)	S3 (1994-07-15)	THR	THR	SAR-Locally found SAR-Local- probably
Timber Rattlesnake	Crotalus horridus	G4 (1997-09-29)	SX (1988-10-24)	EXP	END	extirpated
Spiny Softshell	Apalone spinifera	G5 (1996-10-23)	S3 (1990-03-09)	THR	THR Under	SAR-Locally found-DD
Snapping Turtle	Chelydra serpentina	G5 (1996-10-31)	S3 (1989-11-09)	SC	review	SAR-Locally found
Eastern Box Turtle	Terrapene carolina	G5 (1996-10-21)	SU (2002-10-14)	DD	DD	Introduced
Blanding's Turtle	Emydoidea blandingii	G4 (1997-09-23)	S3 (2003-11-11)	THR	THR	SAR-Locally found
Midland Painted Turtle	Chrysemys picta marginata	G5T5 (1996-10-	S5 (1995-01-01)			Widespread

Common Name	Scientific Name	Global GRANK 31)	Provincial SRANK	COSEWIC	SARO*	Significance Niagara NAI Area
Spotted Turtle	Clemmys guttata	G5 (1996-10-21)	S3 (1990-03-09)	END	END	SAR-Locally found
Wood Turtle	Glyptemys insculpta	G4 (1996-10-21)	S2 (1995-09-18)	THR	END	SAR-DD
Northern Map Turtle	Graptemys geographica	G5 (1996-10-21)	S3 (2002-05-07)	SC	SC	SAR-Locally found
Stinkpot	Sternotherus odoratus	G5 (1996-10-23)	S3 (2002-05-07) SE1 (1995-12-	THR	THR	SAR-Locally found-DD
Pond Slider (Red eared)	Trachemys scripta	G5 (1996-10-21)	20)			Introduced

^{*}SARO Species at Risk Ontario produces and updates the list of Species at Risk in Ontario

Legend for Above Table 4

Code	Definition	Code	Definition	Code	Definition
SC	Special concern	NAR	Not at Risk	DD	Data deficient
THR	threatened	Local	A species found locally in study area	NIAC	Not in any category
END	endangered	SAR	Species at Risk	SRANKS	See NHIC definitions
EXP	Extirpated-no longer found locally	Introduced	Not a local or Ontario species	GRANKS	See NHIC definitions



APPENDIX 2: Species
Observation Maps

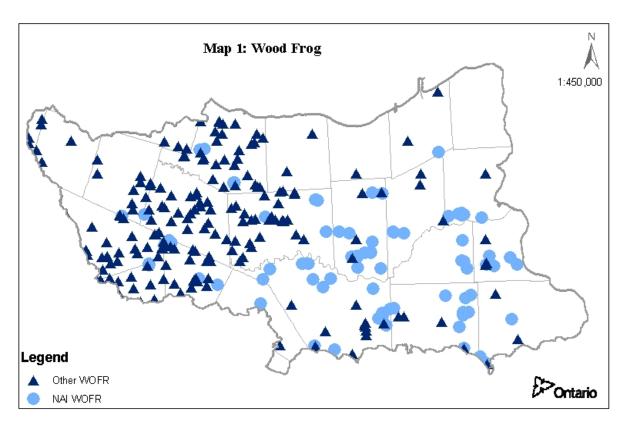
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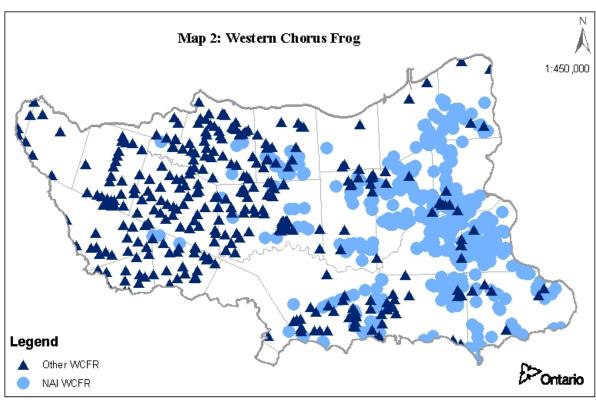


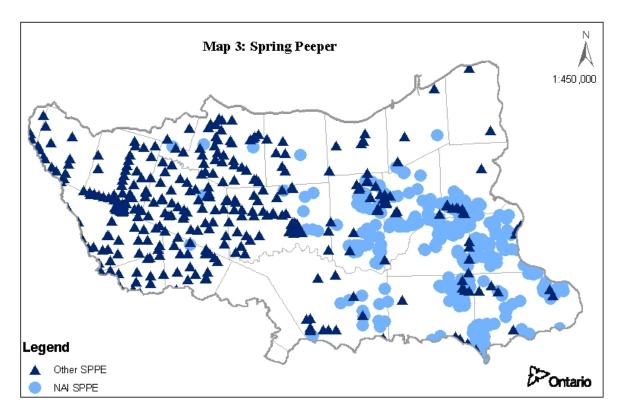


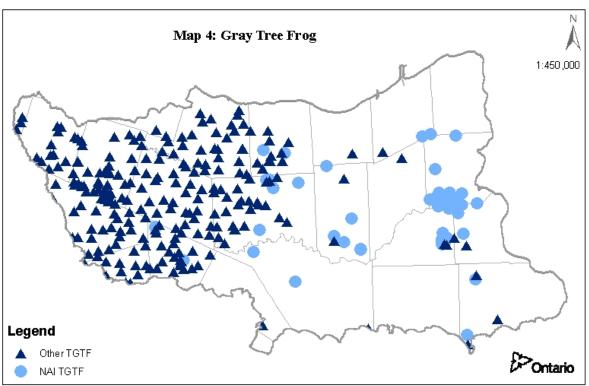
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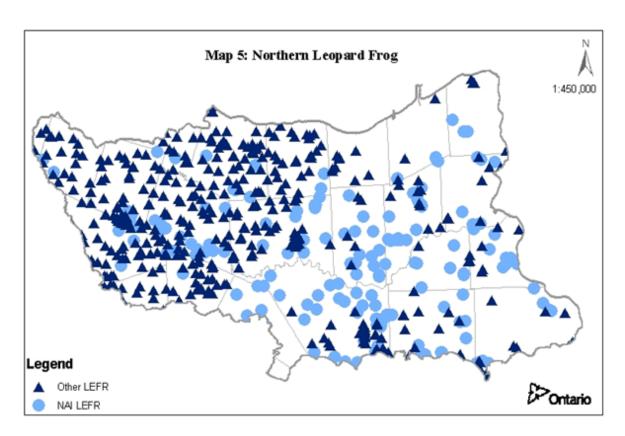
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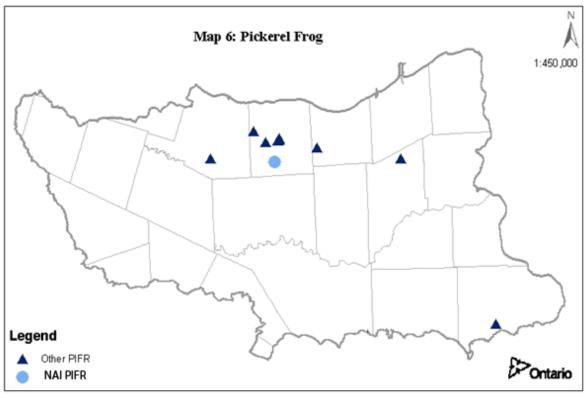


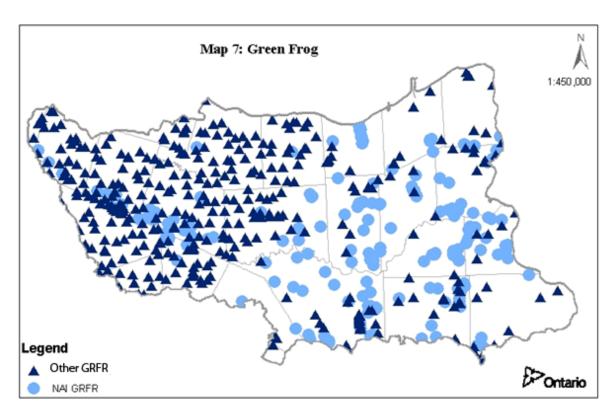


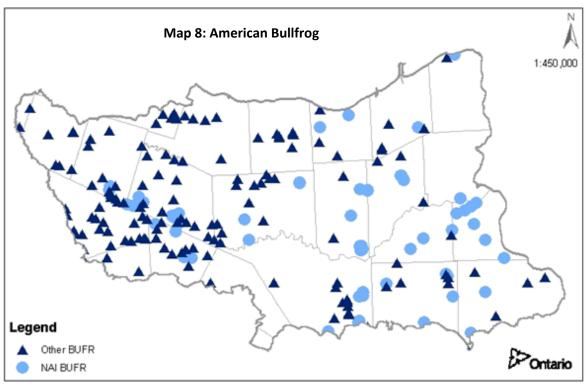


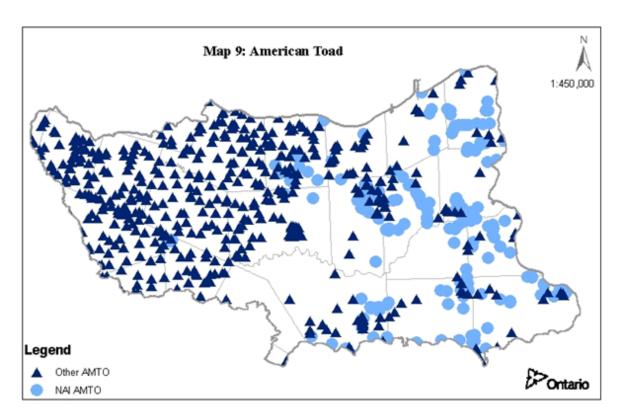


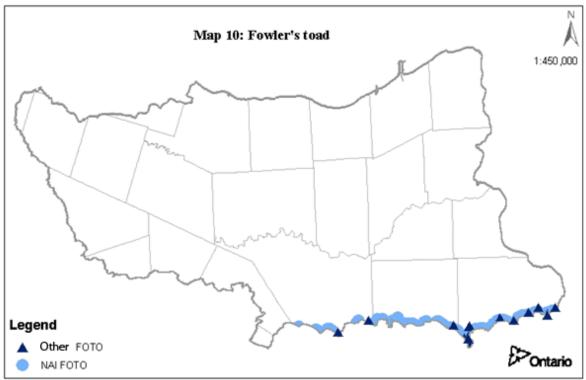


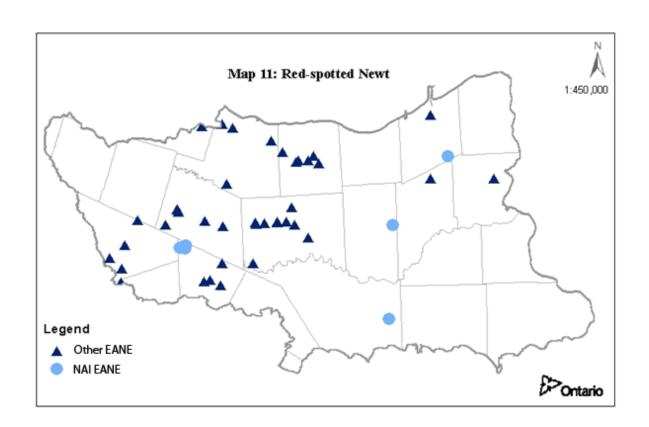


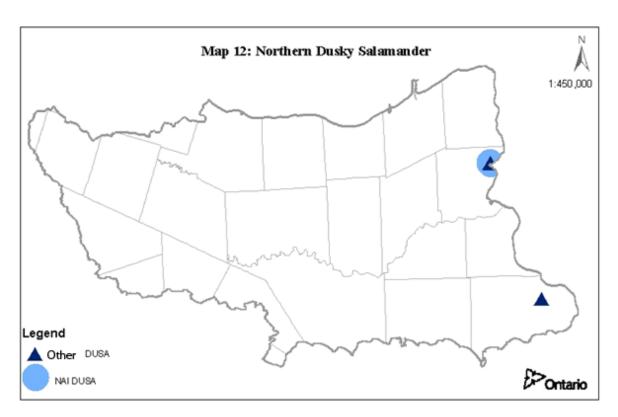


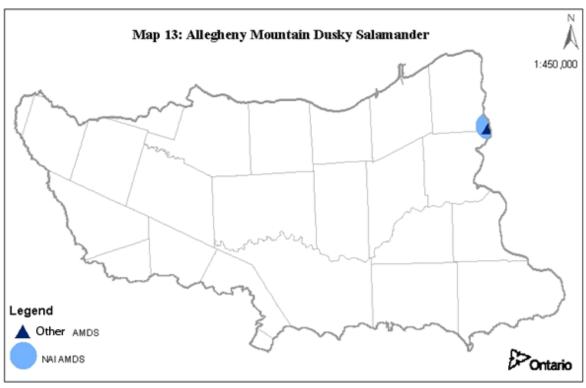


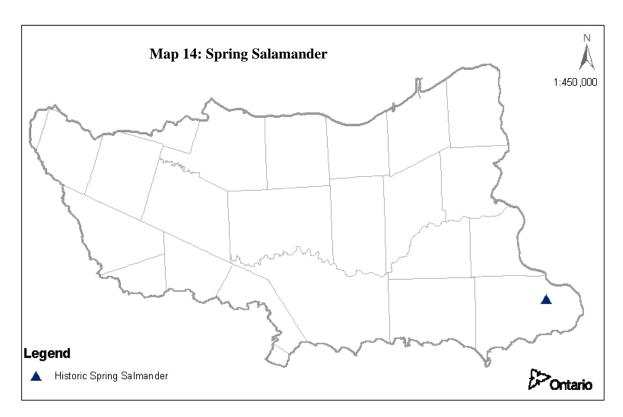


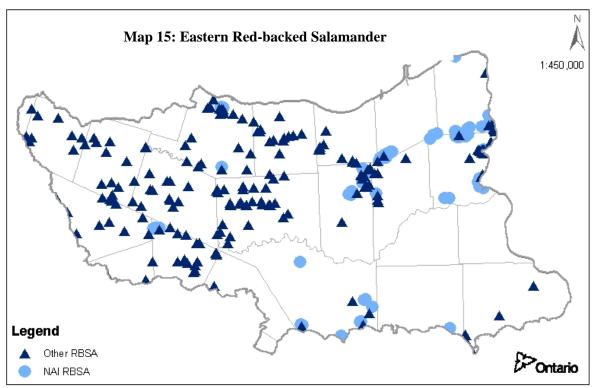


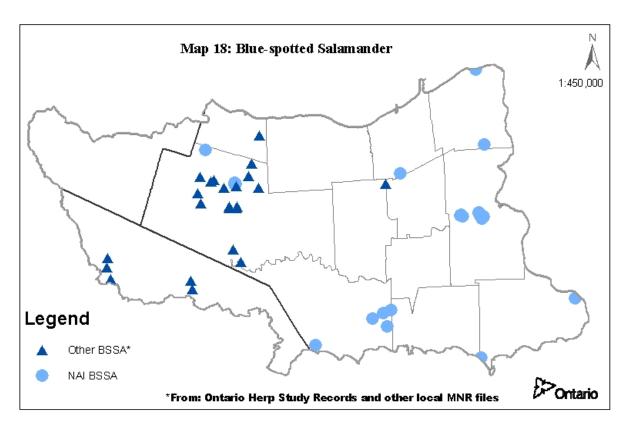


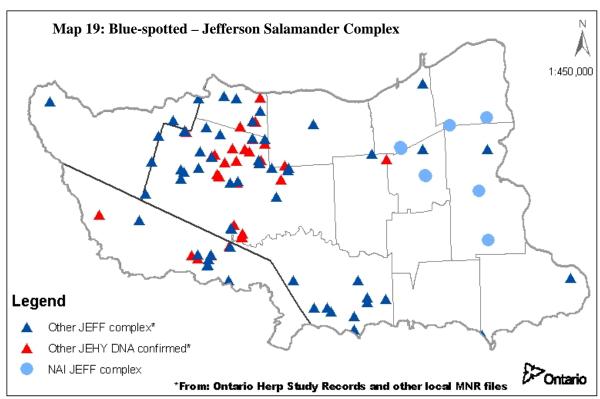


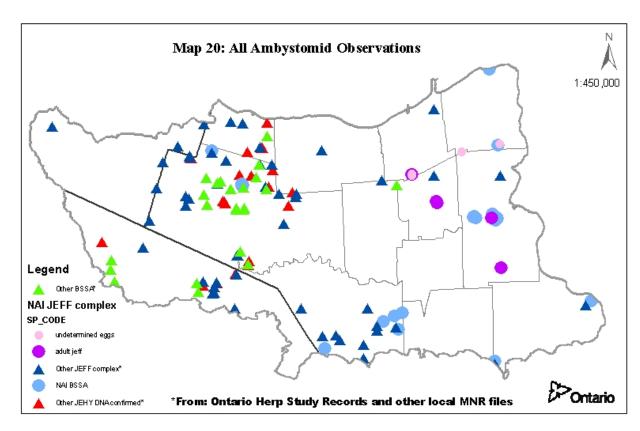


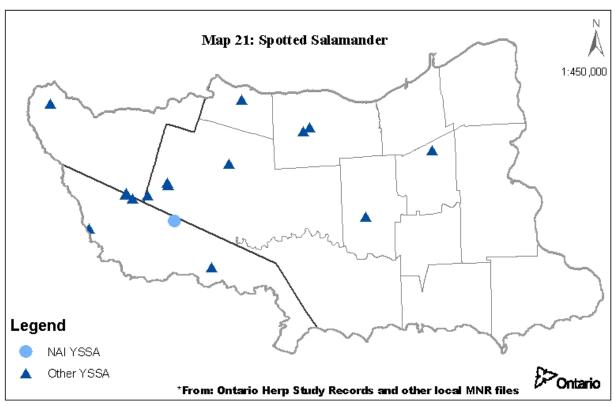


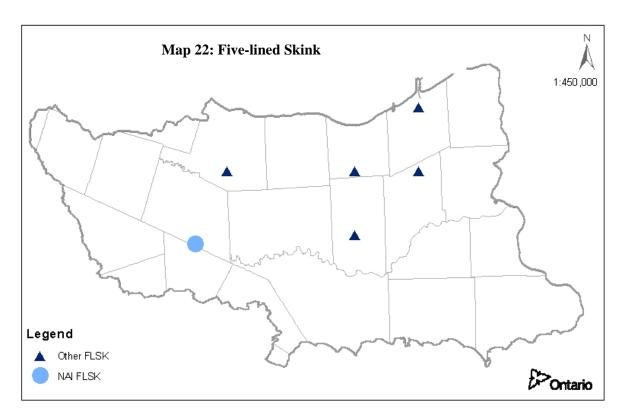


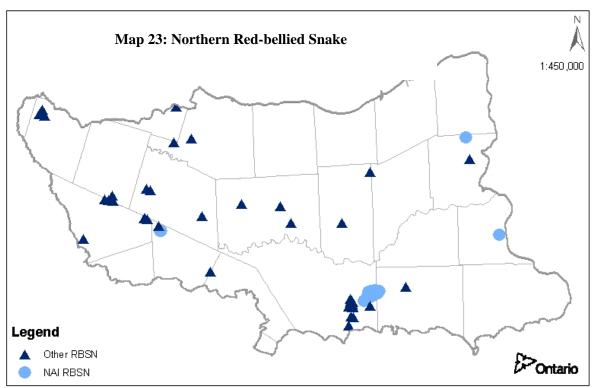


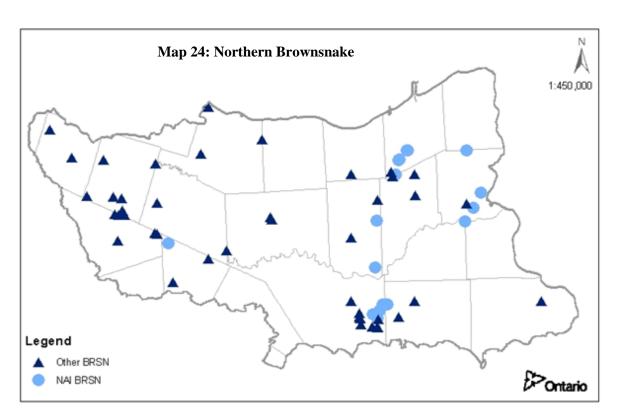


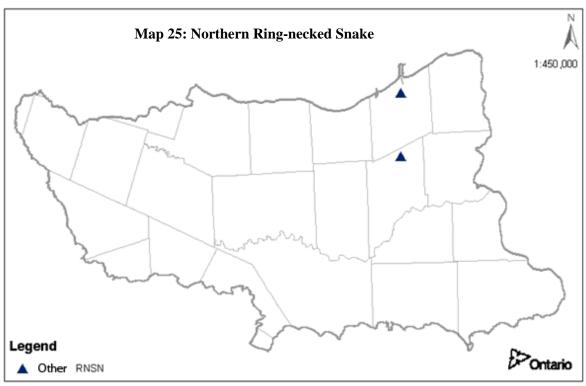


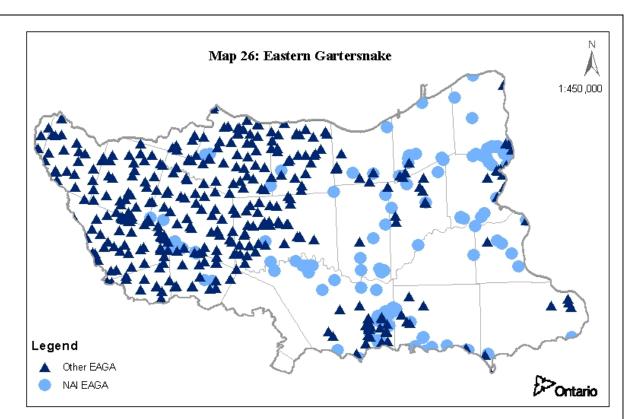


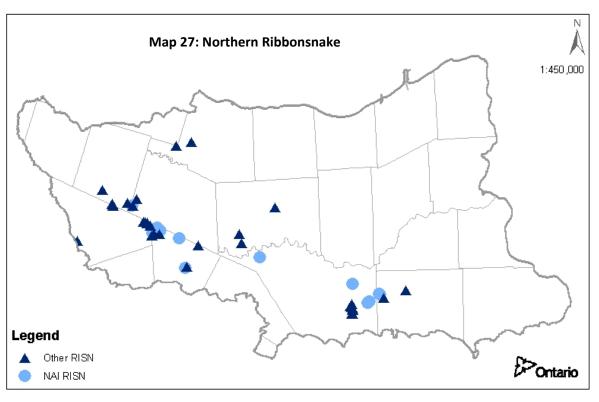


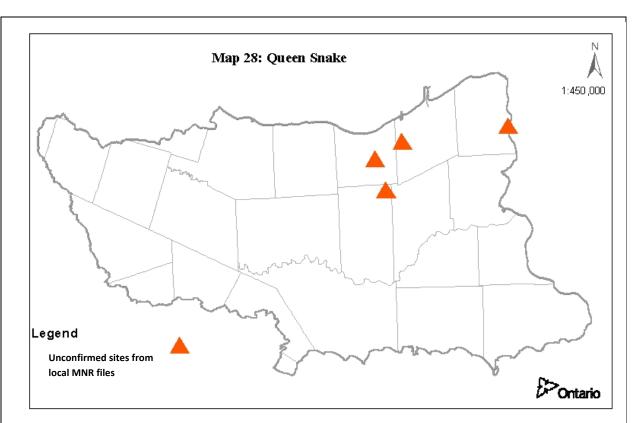


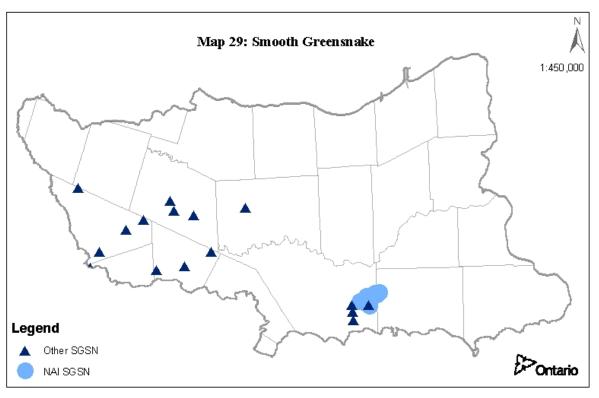


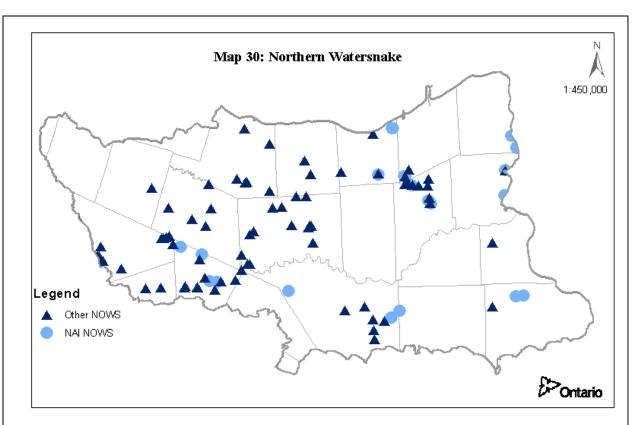


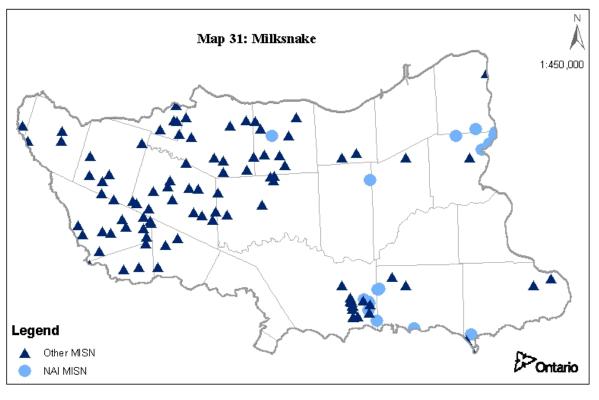


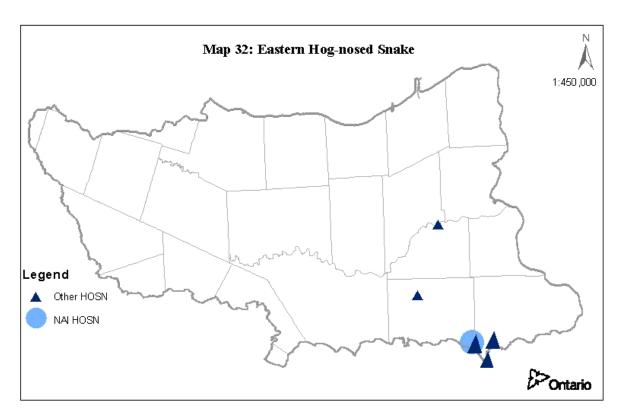


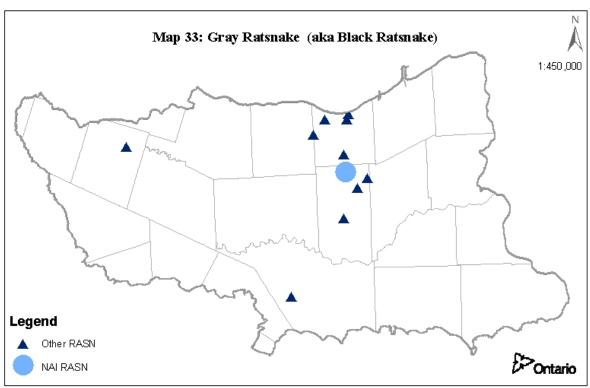


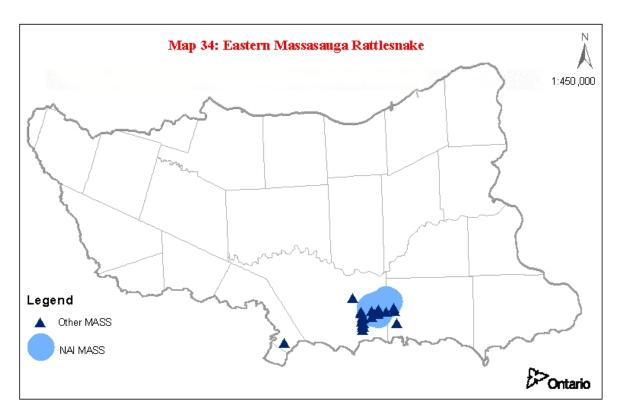


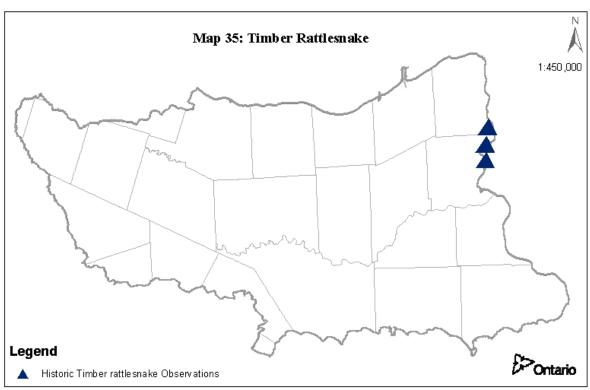


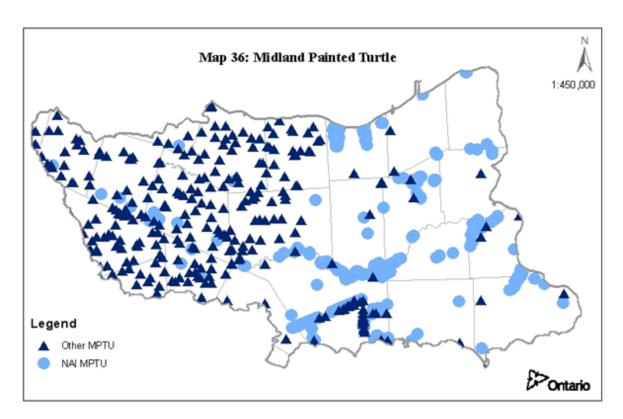


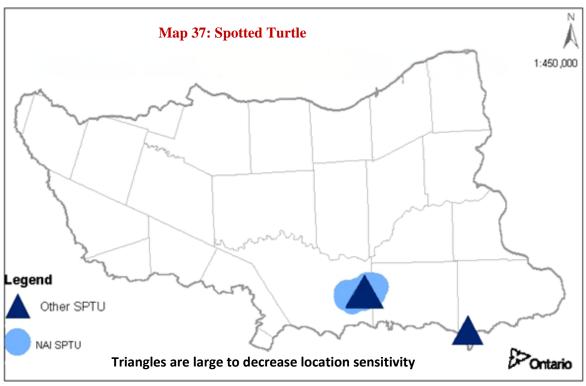


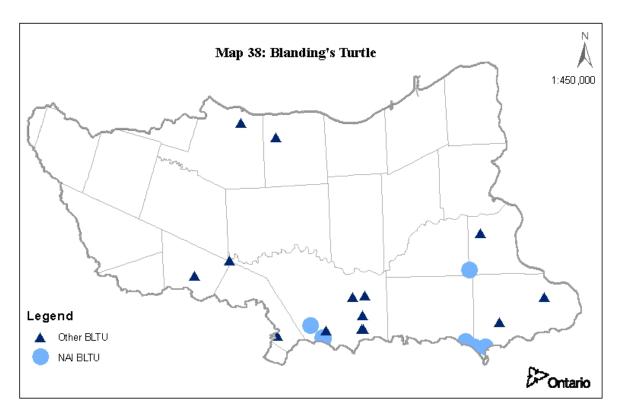


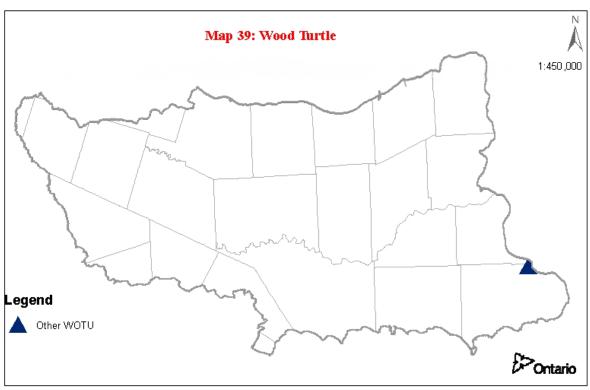


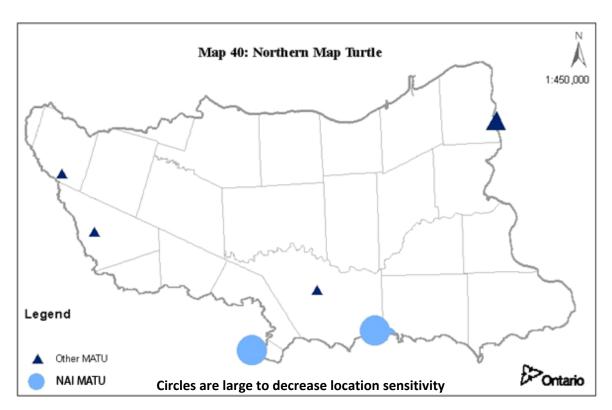


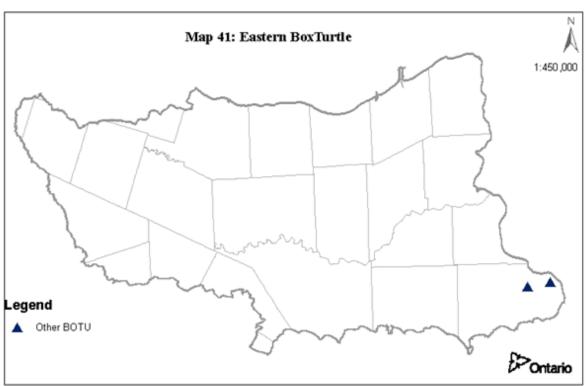


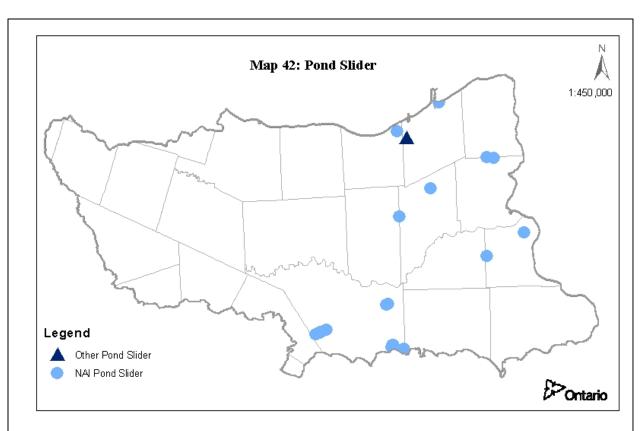


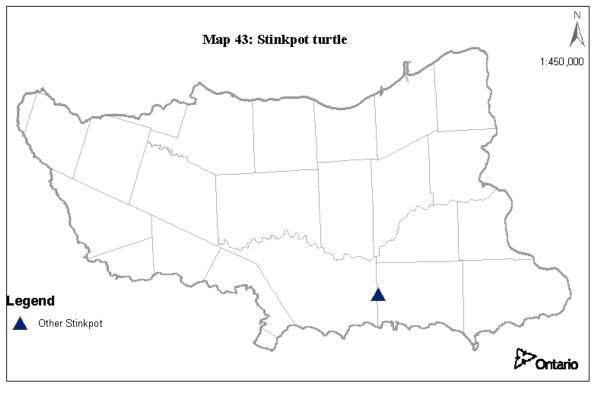


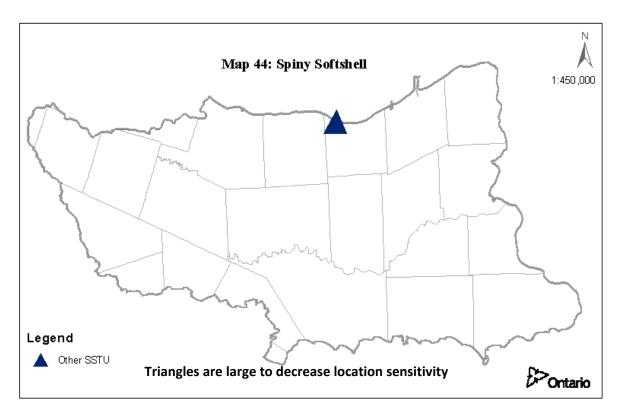


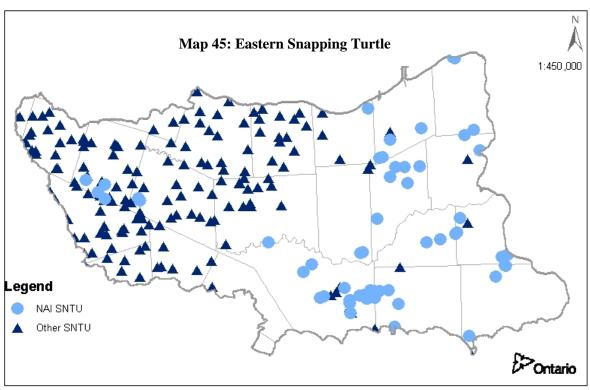












13.0 A PRELIMINARY LIST OF THE BUTTERFLIES (LEPIDOPTERA) OF NIAGARA REGION, ONTARIO

Robert Curry



This list of butterflies is based primarily on fieldwork in study sites designated by the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority in the summer of 2007 as part of the Niagara Natural Heritage Areas Inventory (NAI). As it is based almost exclusively on the observations of one researcher (Curry) in this one summer it cannot be regarded as complete. Furthermore, 2007 was an extreme drought year, the second in succession, which doubtless reduced the abundance of butterflies and probably the number of species encountered. In the NPCA Wildlife Summary database there are a few additional records submitted by others during 2007. In addition there are a few more records in the database from earlier years. All these are included to determine status on the following checklist.

OTHER SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Records for number of species not found in 2007 were plotted as dots in Lincoln and Welland counties (now Niagara) maps in *The Ontario Butterfly Atlas* (Holmes et al. 1991). These records dating before 1991 are herein regarded as **historical**.

ABUNDANCE DESIGNATIONS

The Abundance of Niagara butterflies is based on the number of known stations in the region. A station is defined as a population that is separated from any other population by at least one kilometre. For example in some large sites such as Upper 12-Mile Creek or Wainfleet Bog there may be two or even three stations.

The following terms and definitions are used to describe the abundance (area-wide status) of Niagara butterflies.

Common: currently known to be present at more than 10 stations.

Uncommon: currently known to be present at 5 to 10 stations.

Rare: currently known to be present at fewer than 5 stations.

These definitions are quite arbitrary and, no doubt, additional fieldwork would result in more stations being found and the definitions being modified. Nevertheless, they indicate the relative status of each species and point the way to recommendations about habitat preservation for diurnal Lepidoptera in Niagara.



ONTARIO STATUS

The Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources maintains detailed listings of the status of Ontario butterflies. All species are ranked using the following labels:

- S1 extremely rare in Ontario
- S2 very rare in Ontario
- S3 rare to uncommon in Ontario
- S4 common in Ontario
- S5 very common in Ontario
- SNA not ranked usually introduced or vagrant species

The NHIC provincial rank is indicated for each species on the list.

All S1 to S3 species are considered **Provincially Significant** and are marked as **PS** in the heading of the species accounts.

SUMMARY OF THE STATUS OF NIAGARA BUTTERFLIES

Common	29
Uncommon	7
Rare	18
Extirpated?	1
Historical	13
TOTAL68	

RECOMMENDATIONS

- more field surveys are necessary to determine the true status of many Niagara butterflies
- a search of museum collections would find additional records of Niagara butterflies
- search the Toronto Entomologists Association annual summaries of butterflies encountered in Ontario from 1969 to the present



SPECIES CHECKLIST

Silver-spotted Skipper [Epargyreus clarus] S4

Uncommon ---- 7 stations

Northern Cloudywing [Thorybes pylades]S5

Historical

Dreamy Duskywing [Erynnis icelus] S5

Rare ---- 1 station (Wainfleet Bog).

Juvenal's Duskywing [Erynnis juvenalis] S5

Common

Wild Indigo Duskywing [Erynnis baptisiae] S1 (S3 proposed) PS

Common. The Wild Indigo Duskywing was until quite recently an uncommon species throughout its eastern North American range. Its native foodplant is Wild Indigo (*Baptisia tinctoria*) but it has adapted to the introduced Crown Vetch (*Coronilla varia*). Consequently, over the past 20 years this species has dramatically extended its range north and east and is found along road embankments and waste places wherever crown vetch is found. While it was found in only three sites in 2007, such waste places were seldom checked and it is no doubt widespread in the region.

Common Sootywing [Pholisora catullus] S5

Historical. This is a species of waste places; larval foodplants include Lamb's Quarters. Such habitats were not visited during the NAI so Common Sooty-Wing likely still occurs in Niagara.

Least Skipper [Ancyloxypha numitor] S5

Common

European Skipper [Thymelicus lineola] SNA INT

Common (introduced)

Peck's Skipper [Polites peckius] \$5

Common

Tawny-edged Skipper [Polites peckius] S5

Historical. Found in dry old fields, a habitat type not common in Niagara. Nevertheless it probably still occurs in a few places.

Crossline Skipper [Polites origenes] S5

Historical. Like the previous species it may still occur in dry grassland habitats in Niagara.

Long Dash [Polites mystic] \$5

Rare ---- 3 stations

Northern Broken-Dash [Wallengrenia egeremet] \$5

Common

Little Glassywing [Pompeius verna] **S5** Rare ---- 1 station (Harold S. Bradshaw Memorial Park). Delaware Skipper [Anatryton logan] **S5** Uncommon ---- 5 stations Hobomok Skipper [Poanes hobomok] **S5** Common Broad-winged Skipper [Poanes viator] **S5** Rare ---- 3 stations. The larval food plants are sedges (Carex sp.) although there is some evidence that it now feeds on Common Reed (Phragmites australis) so it may be more widespread in Niagara (Wormington 2006). Dion Skipper [Euphes dion] **S5** Rare ---- 2 stations. This and the following species are both obligate sedge feeders (Carex sp.). As sedge meadows are exceedingly scarce in Niagara so are the associated butterflies. Black Dash [Euphes conspicua] Rare ---- 1 station (Upper 12-Mile Creek). Dun Skipper [Euphes vestris] **S5** Uncommon ---- 7 stations Pipevine Swallowtail [Battus philenor] **SNA** Historical. A rare immigrant. **S5** Black Swallowtail [Papilio polyxenes] Common Giant Swallowtail [Papilio cresphontes] S2(S4 proposed) Rare ---- 1 station (Cement Road Quarry Ponds) Eastern Tiger Swallowtail [Papilio glaucus] **S5** Common

Spicebush Swallowtail [Papilio troilus] S4

Common

Cabbage White [Pieris rapae] SNA INT

Common (introduced)

Common Sulphur [Colias philodice] S5

Common

Orange Sulphur [Colias eurytheme] S5

Common

American (Little) Copper [Lycaena phlaeas] \$4

Rare ---- 4 stations

Bronze Copper [Lycaena hyllus] S5

Rare ---- 3 stations

Bog Copper [Epidemia epixanthe] S4S5

Extirpated? A once healthy population of this Cranberry feeder existed in the Wainfleet Bog. It may still exist but none was found in the extreme drought year, 2007. A serious attempt should be made to find this species in the bog.

Acadian Hairstreak [Satyrium acadicum] S4

Rare ---- 4 stations

Coral Hairstreak [Satyrium titus] S4

Rare ---- 3 stations

Edward's Hairstreak [Satyrium edwardsii] S4(S3 proposed) PS

Rare ---- 1 station (Haldimand Sloughs)

Banded Hairstreak [Satyrium calanus] S4

Common

Hickory Hairstreak [Satyrium caryaevorum] \$3\$4

Rare ---- 4 stations

Striped Hairstreak [Satyrium liparops] S5

Uncommon ---- 5 stations

Eastern Tailed Blue [Cupido (Everes) comyntas]\$5

Common. Found in alfalfa fields and waste places.

Spring Azure [Celastrina ladon] S5

Common. Only found three times in 2007 but spring was advanced and the early flight season was almost over before the majority of field visits took place.

PS

Summer Azure [Celastrinaneglecta] S5

Common

Variegated Fritillary [Euptoieta claudia] SNA

Historical. A rare immigrant, it likely occurs in Niagara from time to time.

Great Spangled Fritillary [Speyeria cybele] S5

Common

Aphrodite Fritillary [Speyeria aphrodite] \$5

Historical

Silver-bordered Fritillary [Boloria selene] S5

Historical

Meadow Fritillary [Boloria bellona]S5

Historical

Harris's Checkerspot [Charidryas harrisii] **S4** Historical Pearl Crescent [Phyciodes tharos]\$5 Common Northern Crescent [Phyciodes cocyta] **S5** Common Baltimore Checkerspot [Euphydryas phaeton] \$4 Rare ---- 1 station (M.J.Oldham [FE-11-00-00-0] in database) Question Mark [Polygonia interrogationis] **S5** Common Eastern Comma [Polygonia comma] **S5** Common Compton Tortoiseshell [Nymphalis vaualbum] S5 Historical. Periodically irrupts southward so it may re-occur at any time. Mourning Cloak [Nymphalis antiopa] **S5** Common Milbert's Tortoiseshell [Nymphalis milberti] **S5** Historical. Periodically irrupts southwards from the boreal forest. American Lady [Vanessa virginiensis] Uncommon. A regular immigrant and colonist. Painted Lady [Vanessa cardui] **S5** Historical. An irregular, sometimes common, immigrant to Ontario. Red Admiral [Vanessa atalanta] **S5** Common Common Buckeye [Junonia coenia] **SNA** Rare immigrant that probably occurs annually. Recorded at two stations in 2007. **S5**

White Admiral [Limenitis arthemis arthemis]

Rare ---- 4 stations. This strikingly marked subspecies is much more common northward in Ontario. Consequently, it was surprising to find it at four stations in Niagara. Often called Banded Purple.

Red-spotted Purple [Limenitis arthemis astyanax] **S5**

Common. This is the dominant form in Niagara.

Viceroy [Limenitis archippus] **S5**

Uncommon ---- 6 stations

Northern Pearly-Eye [Enodia anthedon] S4

Uncommon ---- 7 stations

Eyed Brown [Satyrodes eurydice] \$5

Rare ---- 3 stations. This is a common species in large parts of Ontario; its larval foodplants are sedges, which explains it rare status in Niagara.

Appalachian Brown [Satyrodes appalachia] \$4

Rare ---- 4 stations. This species, also a sedge feeder, favours more shaded areas and can be find at small patches of sedges along roadside ditches in woodlands.

Little Wood-Satyr [Megisto cymela] S5

Common

Common Ringlet [Coenonympha tillia] S5

Common

Common Wood-Nymph [Cercyonis pegala] S5

Common

Monarch [Danaus plexippus] S4

Common



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14.0 A PRELIMINARY LIST OF THE DRAGONFLIES AND DAMSELFLIES (ODONATA) OF NIAGARA REGION, ONTARIO

Robert Curry



This list of Odonata is based primarily on fieldwork in study sites designated by the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority in the summer of 2007 as part of the Niagara Natural Areas Inventory (NAI). As it is based almost exclusively on the observations of one researcher (Curry) in this one summer it cannot be regarded as complete. Furthermore, 2007 was an extreme drought year, the second in succession, which dried up standing water and creeks thereby reducing both the abundance and variety of Odonate species.

OTHER SOURCES OF INFORMATION

The Ontario Odonate Atlas (NHIC 2005) plots the occurrence of all species in Ontario. These records are based on specimens in institutions as well as photographs and sight observations. At least 21 Odonate species that were not encountered in 2007 are known to have occurred in Niagara. These are plotted on maps in the Ontario Odonate Atlas (NHIC 2005). Thirteen species are historical i.e., specimen records obtained prior to 1984. Another eight species have been recorded (specimens, photographs or sight records) since 1983 but were not encountered in the course of the 2007 field surveys.

ABUNDANCE DESIGNATIONS

The Abundance of Niagara Odonata is based on the number of known stations in the region plus other records since 1983. A station is defined as a population that is separated from any other population by at least one kilometre. For example in some large sites such as Upper 12-Mile Creek or Wainfleet Bog there may be two or even three stations.

The following terms and definitions are used to describe the abundance (area-wide status) of Niagara Odonata.

Common: currently known to be present at more than 10 stations.

Uncommon: currently known to be present at 5 to 10 stations.

Rare: currently known to be present at fewer than 5 stations.

These definitions are quite arbitrary and, no doubt, additional fieldwork would result in more stations being found and the definitions being modified. Nevertheless, they indicate the relative status of each species and point the way to recommendations about habitat preservation for Odonata in Niagara. In some cases an abundance label was applied that was not strictly based upon the number of stations where it was encountered. The reason for this is explained in the species accounts.



ONTARIO STATUS

The Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources maintains detailed listings of the status of Ontario butterflies. All species are ranked using the following labels:

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- SNA not ranked usually introduced or vagrant species

The NHIC provincial rank is indicated for each species on the list.

All S1 to S3 species are considers **Provincially Significant** and are marked as **PS** in the heading of the species accounts.

SUMMARY OF THE STATUS OF NIAGARA ODONATA

Common 22 Uncommon 10 Rare 25 <u>Historical 13</u> TOTAL 70

The high number of species (8) that are apparently new to Niagara reflects the lack of field study of these taxa. The high number of "historical" species (13) may reflect the limited aspect of the fieldwork upon which this checklist is based. However, it also may be a function of habitat deterioration. Many of the missed species require clear highly oxygenated waters, something that is no longer prevalent in Niagara.





RECOMMENDATIONS

- more field surveys are necessary to determine the true status of many Niagara Odonata
- search the Ontario Odonata Database maintained by the Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC), Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, in Peterborough, Ontario for all Niagara records

SPECIES CHECKLIST

Ebony Jewelwing [Calopteryx aequabilis]S5

Uncommon ---- 5 stations

American Rubyspot [Hetaerina americana] S4

Rare ---- at least one station in the Atlas, post 1983

Spotted Spreadwing [Lestes congener] S5

Historical ---- 1 record

Common Spreadwing [Lestes disjunctus disjunctus] \$5

Rare ---- 3 stations

Emerald Spreadwing [Lestes dryas] S5

Rare ---- 2 stations

Sweetflag Spreadwing (Lestes forcipatus] S4

Historical ---- 1 record from extreme NW Niagara. This species may still occur but is easily overlooked.

Elegant Spreadwing [Lestes inaequalis] S4

Rare ---- 1 station (NE Wainfleet Bog) and one historical record.

Slender Spreadwing [Lestes tectangularis] S5

Rare ---- 1 station (Wainfleet Bog), where it is common. Commonly encountered elsewhere in the region in the recent past, it likely still occurs.

Lyre-tipped Spreadwing [Lestes unguiculatus] \$5

Rare ---- 1 post 1983 sighting in the Atlas

Swamp Spreadwing [Lestes vigilax] S4

Historical ---- 1 record

Eastern Red Damsel [Amphiagrion saucium] S4

Rare ---- 3 stations

Blue-fronted Dancer [Argia apicalis] \$4

Common

Violet Dancer [Argia fumipennis violacea]

Common

Powdered Dancer [Argia moesta] S5 NEW

Rare ---- only found in the Beaverdams /L. Gibson area, where numerous. This species likes fast-flowing waters.

Taiga Bluet [Coenagrion resolutum] S5

Rare ---- 1 post-1983 record

S5

Rainbow Bluet [Enallagma antennatum] \$4

Common

Azure Bluet [Enallagma aspersum] S3 PS

Uncommon ---- 1 station in 2007(apparently widespread in the Wainfleet Bog ditch system) and 4 other post-1983 records

Boreal Bluet [Enallagma boreale] S5

Historical ---- 1 record

Tule Bluet [Enallagma carunculatum]

Common ---- found on or near the Lake Erie shore and the Niagara River

Familiar Bluet [Enallagma civile] \$5

Common

Northern Bluet [Enallagma annexum] S4

Uncommon ---- about 7 post-1983 records but not encountered in 2007

Marsh Bluet [Enallagma erbium] \$5

Uncommon ---- one 2007 station and about 8 records in total

Stream Bluet [Enallagma exsulans] S5

Common

Skimming Bluet [Enallagma geminatum] S4

Common

Hagen's Bluet [Enallagma hageni] \$5

Uncommon ---- about 7 post-1983 records

Orange Bluet [Enallagma signatum] S4

Common

Citrine Forktail [Ischnura hastata] S2 PS

Historical ---- one record from Point Abino. This species should be searched for in late summer at seeps and springs, including at the historical site.

Fragile Forktail [Ischnura posita] \$4

Common

Eastern Forktail [Ischnura verticalis] \$5

Common

Sedge Sprite [Nehalennia irene] S5

Rare ---- 1 station (Wainfleet Bog)

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Lance-tipped Darner [Aeshna constricta] S5

Historical ---- 2 records

Spatterdock Darner [Aeshna mutata] S1 PS NEW

Rare ---- 1 station (St. John's CA, Upper 12-Mile Creek). This species is found in southwestern Ontario but a station at Puslinch Lake, Wellington (personal observation) suggest that it may be expanding its range north and east.

S5

Shadow Darner [Aeshna umbrosa umbrosa]

Rare ---- 1 station (Wainfleet Bog) and 2 historical records

Common Green Darner [Anax junius] S5

Common

Comet Darner [Anax longipes] SNA NEW

Rare ---- 1 station. This impressive insect was observed patrolling over the pond at St. John's CA, Upper 12-Mile Creek on 17 June 2007 and five days later on 22 June. There are only a handful of records for the province.

Springtime Darner [Basiaeschna janata] \$5

Rare ---- 1 station (Welland River at Chippewa Creek CA) and 2 historical records

Swamp Darner [Epiaeschna heros] S2S3 PS

Uncommon ---- 5 stations

Cyrano Darner [Nasiaeschna pentacantha] S5

Historical ---- 2 records

Unicorn Clubtail [Arigomphus villosipes] S2S3 PS

Uncommon ---- 6 stations and 2 additional post-1983 records. This species is becoming increasingly common in southern Ontario.

Midland Clubtail [Gomphus fraternus] \$4

Historical ---- 1 record

Pronghorn Clubtail [Gomphus graslinellus] S3 NEW PS

Rare ---- 1 station (St. John's CA., Upper 12-Mile Creek).

Dusky Clubtail [Gomphus spicatus] S5

Historical ---- 1 record

Arrow Clubtail [Stylurus spiniceps] S2

Historical ---- 1 record from extreme NW Niagara

Delta-spotted Spiketail [Cordulegaster diastatops]

Rare ---- 2 stations (both, Upper 12-Mile Creek)

S4 NEW

Common Baskettail [Epitheca cynosure] S5 Common

Prince Baskettail [Epitheca princes princes] S5

Rare ---- 1 station (Haldimand Sloughs) and 1 historical record

Spiny Baskettail [Epitheca spinigera] S5

Historical --- 1 record, Niagara-on-the-Lake. May have been overlooked in 2007

Williamson's Emerald [Somatochlora williamsoni] S4 NEW

Rare ---- 3 stations

Calico Pennant [Celithemis elisa] S5

Uncommon ---- 4 stations, 2 more since 1983 and 2 more historical

Halloween Pennant [Celithemis eponina] S4

Rare ---- 2 site records

Eastern Pondhawk [Erythemis simplicicollis] \$5

Common

Dot-tailed Whiteface [Leucorrhinia intacta] S5

Uncommon

Belted Whiteface [Leucorrhinia proxima] S5

Historical ---- 1 record

Widow Skimmer [Libellula luctuosa] \$5

Common

Twelve-spotted Skimmer [Libellula pulchella] S5

Common

Four-spotted Skimmer [Libellula quadrimaculata] \$5

Rare ---- 2 records one historical and one post-1983. This is a common species in areas to the north of Niagara.

Painted Skimmer [Libellula semifasciata] S2 PS

Rare ---- 2 stations (Pelham/W. Lincoln Forest, and Wainfleet Bog where there is a colony, and one historical record, Niagara-on-the-Lake. Painted Skimmer is a southern species that may be expanding north into Ontario.

Blue Dasher [Pachydiplax longipennis] \$5

Common

Wandering Glider [Pantala flavescens] S4

Uncommon ---- 2 stations (Morgan's Point and nearby Wainfleet Wetlands) and 6-7 post-1983 records

Spot-winged Glider [Pantala hymenaea] S4

Rare ---- 1 post-1983 record

Eastern Amberwing [Perithemis tenera] S4

Common ---- 8 stations and 6-7 additional records since 1983

Common Whitetail [Plathemis (Libellula) lydia] S5

Common

Variegated Meadowhawk [Sympetrum corruptum] S3 NEW

Rare ---- 1 station (Wainfleet Wetlands).

Saffron-bordered Meadowhawk [Sympetrum costiferum] S4 NEW

Rare ---- 1 station (Wainfleet Wetlands)

Cherry-faced Meadowhawk [Sympetrum internum] S5

Rare ---- 1 post-1983 record

White-faced Meadowhawk [Sympetrum obtrusum] S5

Probably uncommon to common. Only noted at one station (plus one post-1983 and one historical record) but the *Sympetrum* species are late season flyers, with the main flight season after the 2007 field season surveys were completed.

Ruby Meadowhawk [Sympetrum rubicundulum] \$5

Common ---- detected at 3 stations and, in addition, about 8 post-1983 records

Band-winged Meadowhawk [Sympetrum semicinctum] S4

Historical ---- 1 record

Autumn Meadowhawk [Sympetrum vicinum] S5

Common. This, the latest flying odonate is common throughout southern Ontario.

Black Saddlebags [Tramea lacerata] \$4

Common



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15.0 Lichens and Bryophtyes of Niagara Region

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Lichens and bryophytes (mosses and hepatics) are often neglected in regional animal and plant inventories. That is unfortunate. Mosses are usually abundant (sometimes the dominating) plants in a community while lichens are natural indicators of the cleanliness of our atmosphere. By simply observing the presence and abundance of lichens, one can estimate the air quality in a given location. By having access to a distributional record of lichen species over time one can determine trends in the quality of the atmospheric environment. The present study will allow us to establish a baseline of data from which future research will benefit. Hepatics, or liverworts and hornworts, as they are more commonly known, are a comparatively small and usually less conspicuous group of plants but, as anyone who has observed them under a microscope will attest, they are beautiful organisms that should be known and conserved if only for their beauty.

There was considerable interest in plants of all kinds in the Niagara region in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences put out *The Plants of Buffalo and Its Vicinity*" in 1882 (Day 1882). R. Cameron (1895) published a list of plants "which have been found growing without cultivation" in the Niagara gorge area, including those from sites on both sides of the border. John Macoun, the famous Irish-born Canadian explorer and naturalist, visited the area around the same time and collected and cataloged plants, including lichens and bryophytes. His collections were published in 1892 and 1901.

In combination with present floristic studies, these historical records are important, for they tell us how the flora has changed over the last 100 years. For example, Macoun collected the lichen *Sticta pulmonaria*, now called *Lobaria pulmonaria*, or lungwort, in the Niagara Glen. This species requires an old-growth forest type habitat. It has disappeared from the Niagara area, and from much of southern Ontario. *Teloschistes chrysophthalmus*, the gold-eye lichen, was reported in Cameron (1895) to have been collected in Queen Victoria Park at Niagara Falls. Since then, that species has only been sighted in Ontario a few times, the last sighting having been made about 20 years ago in Prince Edward County on the north side of Lake Ontario. It was a small specimen.

In her recently-published *Preliminary Cryptogamic (Moss, Lichen and Liverwort) Flora of the Canadian and American Gorge at Niagara Falls*, Patricia Eckel (2004) presents a very useful summary of both historical records and of recent observations and collections of lichens, mosses and liverworts in that very specific part of the region. Many of the species listed have not been collected or observed in their original localities since the Cameron or Macoun days but that could be due to insufficient collecting. (There aren't many lichenologists or bryologists around!) The localities given by Eckel for some of the lichens, mosses and liverworts thought to have disappeared from the area should be revisited and thoroughly searched.

In the lists to follow, the species names are presented in alphabetical order. The names and authorities for the epithets usually follow Esslinger (2008) for the lichens and the *Bryophyte Names Authority List (Bryotax)*, *Tropicos* and the *USDA Plants Database* for mosses and hepatics. Every attempt was made to convert older names to the currently accepted names. Several lists are included for each of the groups of plants, starting with my own collections. These are followed by lists published by Wong & Brodo (1992) for lichens, Ireland and Ley (1992) for the mosses and by Eckel (2004) for all three plant groups. In the list based on Eckel, species are annotated with either a reference to a report in a previous paper or to collections and sightings made by Eckel or her fellow researcher Richard Zander.

Only a few lichens have widely used common names. (Lichenologists prefer to use the scientific names). Several of the more common mosses also have English or French names but these too are seldom used by bryologists. When reading this report, it would be beneficial to have handy a copy of *Lichens of North America* (Brodo et al, 2001) and/or *Macrolichens of New England* (Hinds & Hinds, 2007) and *Liverworts of New England* (Lincoln, 2008). These books contain excellent colour photographs of most of the species mentioned here.

The Lichens

I started collecting lichens in Niagara Regional Municipality in 1990. At the time there were 32 species reported for the Region in Wong & Brodo (1992). My research through to the present day has confirmed the presence of all but six of the 32 species. The six species not recorded are: *Cladonia subcariosa* (as C. polycarpoides in Wong & Brodo), *Lecanora caesiorubella* subsp. caesiorubella, *Lobaria quercizans*, *Myelochroa aurulenta*, *Peltigera ponojensis* and *Pertusaria consocians*. More significantly, my research has yielded another 117 species and one variety. In total, based on my collections and reports in Wong and Brodo and Eckel (with the exception of two dubious taxa in list L3) there are, or were, 142 species and 1 variety of lichens in Niagara R.M.

Of my collections, 68 species and 1 variety occur in only one or two of the 12 municipalities in Niagara Regional Municipality. These represent 58% of the total. Some of the species, although rare in the region as a whole, are locally abundant. Examples are Cladonia caespiticia, C. deformis, C. incrassata and Placynthiella oligotropha, all fairly common to frequent at the Wainfleet Bog Conservation Area. Other species, mostly microlichens such as Micarea prasina, the Caloplaca's and Verrucaria's, are likely quite common throughout the region but are overlooked and consequently undercollected. Some species, such as Acarospora fuscata, Xanthoparmelia cumberlandia and X. viriduloumbrina prefer acid rock surfaces and will only appear where a suitable granitic glacial erratic boulder lies. Xanthoria elegans has only been found on gravestones in one cemetery. Peltigera didactyla and Cladonia symphycarpia were found once, on the ground in a sandy area in a graveyard in Pelham. The area has been bulldozed over to make way for more plots. Not long ago I returned to the only locality in Niagara in which Punctelia bolliana, the Eastern speckled shield lichen, was known to exist, only to find that the host tree had been cut down, probably to make the intersection on which it was located safer for drivers. It is sad to see biodiversity decline before your very eyes.

Some species that are very common in southern Ontario and to the north are barely registered in Niagara. Only two specimens of *Evernia mesomorpha*, the boreal oakmoss lichen, have been collected or observed. One of these two localities has been removed due to urban development. *Usnea subfloridana* is another very common species north of the highly populated areas in Ontario, but in our study area the species is represented by a single plant in the City of Welland. Many of these species are pollution sensitive and therefore will not do well here. Others, however, have adapted nicely to urban conditions and can be found on trees throughout the Region in abundance. These include: *Candelaria concolor, Candellariella efflorescens, Melanelixia subaurifera, Parmelia sulcata, Physcia adscendens, P.aipolia, P. millegrana* (the most common species), *Physconia detersa and Xanthoria fallax.* Several species are very common on trees and/or on moss over rocks in forested or rural areas: *Amandinea punctata, Candelariella efflorescens, Cladonia grayi, C. pyxidata, C. subulata, Flavopunctelia flaventior, Graphis scripta, Lecanora symmicta, Lepraria lobificans, Phaeophyscia adiastola, P. pusilloides, and P. rubropulchra fall into this category.*

Two species on my list are rare in Ontario. *Trypethelium virens* and *Strangospora pinicola*. The former is a crust found recently at Short Hills Provincial Park. Wong and Brodo (1992) show it as occurring in Northumberland and Hastings Counties and Carlton-Ottawa Regional Municipality. However, except for one recent discovery in Ottawa-Carleton, all of these collections are historical, going back to Macoun's days (1901). Day (1883) includes the species as having been found within the vicinity (defined as 50 miles radius) of Buffalo. For our modern specimen in Niagara, as in the other Ontario localities, the preferred habitat is the bark of the beech tree in undisturbed areas. Beech is now being threatened with a fungal parasite, which can only be more bad news for *Trypethelium*.

Strangospora pinicola is also a crust, albeit a less conspicuous one. It was found on an old fence post in a rural part of the Town of Port Credit. Wong and Brodo (1992) list one Ontario locality for the species – Haldimand & Norfolk Regional Municipality.

One species on the list is new to Ontario – *Parmotrema reticulatum*. It was found during a Natural Heritage Areas Inventory outing on the trunk and branches of trees in the otherwise rather ordinary Wainfleet Wetlands Conservation Area. This is a mainly southeastern United States species with a northern outpost in northern Michigan.

Further intensive searches will no doubt produce additional new or otherwise interesting species to the region.

Lichen Lists

All species collected by me and listed below are backed up by voucher specimens kept in my personal herbarium. Specimens are available for examination upon request.

The taxa are placed in alphabetical order. Following the species, subspecies or variety name and authority are the growth form, substrate and Niagara municipality in which the plants were found.

The meanings of codes used in the main list are as follows:

Growth form:

cru = crustose (thin thallus, firmly attached to substrate at all points)
fol = foliose (leaf-like thallus, distinctly dorsi-ventral)
fru = fruticose (stalked or bush-shaped, no obvious upper and lower surface)
squ = squamulose (scale-like thallus, lifting at the edges)

Substrate:

cor = corticolous (growing on bark)
lig = lignicolous (growing on wood)
mus = muscicolous (growing on mosses)
sax = saxicolous (growing on rocks)
terr = terricolous (growing on soil, sand or peat)

Municipalities:

FE = Town of Fort Erie

GR = Town of Grimsby

LI = Town of Lincoln

NF = City of Niagara Falls

NL = Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake

PC = City of Port Colborne

PE = Town of Pelham

SC = City of St.Catharines

TH = City of Thorold

WA = Township of Wainfleet

WE = City of Welland

WL = Township of West Lincoln

A "-C" following a municipality code indicates that the locality was reported in Wong & Brodo (1992).

"cf." is an abbreviation derived from the Latin *confer* meaning "compare". It is used to indicate uncertainty about the identification.



Trypethelium virens

<u>List L1. Lichen species in collections made by R. Olszewski during the period 1990 – 2009.</u>

Acarospora fuscata (Schrader) Arnold cru,sax WA,WE Acrocordia conoidea (Fries) Körber cru,sax LI

Amandinea punctata (Hoffm.) Coppins & Scheid. cru,cor GR,LI,NF,PC,PE,WA,WL

Anisomeridium polypori (Ellis & Everh.) M.E. Barr cru,lig NL,PE,TH

Arthonia caesia (Flotow) Körber cru,cor FE,PC,PE,TH,WA,

Aspicilia laevata (Ach.) Arnold cru,sax LI

Bacidia coprodes (Körber) Lettau cru, sax NF, TH

Caloplaca cerina (Ehrh. ex Hedwig) Th. Fr. cru,cor WA

Caloplaca citrina (Hoffm.) Th. Fr. cru,sax LI,NF

Caloplaca feracissima H. Magn. Cru,sax NF-C,PC,SC,WA,WE

Caloplaca flavorubescens (Hudson) J.R. Laundon cru,sax PC,WA

Caloplaca flavovirescens (Wulfen) Dalla Torre & Sarnth. cru,sax LI,NF,NL

Caloplaca holocarpa (Hoffm. ex Ach.) A.E. Wade cru,lig WA,WK

Caloplaca microphyllina (Tuck.) Hasse cru, lig GR

Caloplaca sideritis (Tuck.) Zahlbr. cru,sax NF, LI(cf.)

Candelaria concolor (Dickson) Stein fol,cru FE,GR,LI,NF,NL,PC,PE,SC,TH,WA,WE,WL

Candelariella aurella (Hoffm.) Zahlbr. cru,sax NL,PC,WA,WE

Candelariella efflorescens R.C. Harris & W.R. Buck cru,cor/lig GR.LI,NL,PE,TH.WL

Candelariella xanthostigma (Ach.) Lettau cru,lig WL

Cladonia caespiticia (Pers.) Flörke fru, mus NL, WA

Cladonia cariosa (Ach.) Sprengel fru, mus GR

Cladonia cervicornis subsp. verticillata (Hoffm.) Ahti fru,ter/lig PE,TH,WE,WL

Cladonia coniocraea (Flörke) Sprengel fru,cor FE,PC-C,SC,TH,WA,WL

Cladonia cristatella Tuck. fru, mus/lig/ter FE, NF-C, PE, TH, WA, WE

Cladonia deformis (L.) Hoffm. fru,ter/lig WA

Cladonia fimbriata (L.) Fr. fru, ter FE, LI, NF-C, WA, WL

Cladonia furcata (Hudson) Schrader fru,ter LI,NL-C,PE,SC,TH,WL

Cladonia grayi G. Merr. ex Sandst. fru/ter PE,TH,WA

Cladonia humilis (With.) J.R. Laundon fru, mus/ter NF-C, PC, PE, SCWA, WE

Cladonia incrassata Flörke fru, mus/ter WA

Cladonia macilenta var. bacillaris (Genth) Schaerer fru,ter FE,NF-C,PC,PE,WA,WL

Cladonia macilenta Hoffm. fru WA

Cladonia multiformis G. Merr. fru FE,WA

Cladonia parasitica (Hoffm.) Hoffm. fru, lig FE, WL

Cladonia peziziformis (With.) J.R. Laundon fru,ter FE

Cladonia phyllophora Hoffm. fru PC

Cladonia pleurota (Flörke) Schaerer fru WA

Cladonia pyxidata (L.) Hoffm. fru,ter FE,GR,LI,NL,WE,WL

Cladonia ramulosa (With.) J.R.Laundon fru FE,NF,PC-C,WE

Cladonia scabriuscula (Delise) Leighton fru PC,PE,WA,WE

Cladonia subulata (L.) F.H. Wigg fru, ter FE, NF-C, PC, PE, SC, TH, WA, WL

Cladonia symphycarpia (Flörke) Fr. PE

Collema bachmanianum (Fink) Degel. fol,ter TH

Cyphelium tigillare (Ach.) Ach. cru, lig NF-C, PE, WL

Dermatocarpon luridum (With.) J.R. Laundon fol,sax LI

Diplotomma epipolium (Ach.) Arnold cru,sax NL

Endocarpon pusillum Hedw. squ,sax GR,NF

Evernia mesomorpha Nyl. fru,cor LI,WE

Flavoparmelia baltimorensis (Gyelnik & Fóriss) Hale fol,sax LI

Flavoparmelia caperata (L.) Hale fol, cor FE, LI-C, SC, TH, WE, WL

Flavopunctelia flaventior (Stirton) Hale fol,cor/lig FE,GR,LI,PC.PE,TH,WE,WL

Flavopunctelia soredica (Nyl.) Hale fol PE

Graphis scripta (L.) Ach. cru,cor GR,LI,SC,TH,WL

Hypocenomyces scalaris (Ach.) M. Choisy fol LI,NF,PE,TH,WL

Hypogymnia physodes (L.) Nyl. squ,lig FE,NF-C,TH,WE,

Lecania cyrtella (Acharius) Th. Fr. cru NL

Lecania naegelii (Hepp) Diederich & van den Boom cru PC,WA

Lecanora dispersa (Pers.) Sommerf. cru,sax TH,WA,WE

Lecanora hagenii (Ach.) Ach. cru,lig TH

Lecanora polytropa (Hoffm.) Rabenh. cru, sax WE

Lecanora saligna (Schrader) Zahlbr. cru NF-C,PC

Lecanora symmicta (Ach.) Ach. cru,cor FE,LI,NF,PC,PE,WA,WE,WL

Lecanora thysanophora R.C. Harris cru,cor FE,LI,PE,WA

Lecidella stigmatea (Ach.) Hertel & Leuckert cru TH

Lepraria lobificans Nyl. cru,cor/sax,lig/mus FE,GR,LI,NF,NL,PC,PE,SC,TH,WA,WL

Leptogium cyanescens (Rabenh.) Körber fol LI

Leptogium lichenoides (L.) Zahlbr. fol GR,LI,NL

Melanelixia subaurifera (Nyl.) O. Blanco fol,cor FE,GR,NF,PC,PE,TH,WA.WE.WL

Micarea prasina Fr. cru,lig TH

Myxobilimbia sabuletorum (Schreber) Lettau cru, mus GR, LI, NF, SC

Ochrolechia arborea (Kreyer) Almb. cru WL

Parmelia sulcata Taylor fol,cru FE,GR,LI,NF,NL,PC,PE,SC,TH,WA,WE,WL

Parmotrema reticulatum (Taylor) M. Choisy fol,lig WA

Peltigera canina (L.) Willd. fol LI,SC,WL

Peltigera didactyla (With.) J. R. Laundon fol PE

Peltigera elisabethae Gyelnik fol LI

Peltigera evansiana Gyelnik fol,lig GR,WL

Peltigera lepidophora (Nyl. ex Vainio) Bitter fol, lig GR, LI

Peltigera praetextata (Flörke ex Sommerf.) Zopf fol, mus/sax LI, TH

Peltigera rufescens (Weiss) Humb. fol LI

Pertusaria pustulata (Ach.) Duby cru,cor TH

Phaeophyscia adiastola (Essl.) Essl. fol, mus GR, LI, NF, NL, PE, TH

Phaeophyscia hirtella Essl. fol FE

Phaeophyscia pusilloides (Zahlbr.) Essl. fol,cor FE,GR,LI,NF,NL,PC,PE, SC,TH,WA,WE Phaeophyscia rubropulchra (Degel.) Essl.) fol,cor FE,GR,LI,NF,NL,PC,PE,SC,TH,WA, WE,WL

Physcia adscendens (Fr.) H. Olivier fol,cor FE,GR,LI,NF,NL,PC,PE,SC,TH,WA,WE,WL

Physcia aipolia (Humb.) Fürnr. fol,cor FE,GR,LI,NL,PC,PE,TH,WA,WE,WL

Physcia dubia (Hoffm.) Lettau fol,cor LI,PC-C,PE

Physcia millegrana Degel. fol.cor FE.GR.LI,NF.NL,PC,PE.SC,TH.WA,WE,WL

Physcia stellaris (L.) Nyl. fol,cor TH,WL

Physciella chloantha (Ach.) Essl. fol,cor FE,LI,NL,SC,WA,WL

Physconia detersa (Nyl.) Poelt fol,cor FE,GR,LI,NF,NL,PC,SC,TH,WE,WL

Physconia enteroxantha (Nyl.) Poelt fol,cor GR,PC,WA

Placidium squamulosum (Ach.) Breuss GR,WA

Placynthiella icmalea (Ach.) Coppins & P. James cru,ter WL

Placynthiella oligotropha (J.R. Laundon) Coppins & P. James cru,ter WA

Placynthium nigrum (Hudson) Gray fol, mus/sax LI, NF

Porpidia albocaerulescens (Wulfen) Hertel & Knoph cru,sax GR,NF,SC

Porpidia crustulata (Ach.) Hertel & Knoph cru,sax TH

Protoblastenia rupestris (Scop.) Steiner cru,sax LI,NF,PC,WA,WE

Punctelia bolliana (Müll. Arg.) Krog fol PE

Punctelia rudecta (Ach.) Krog fol,cor GR,LI,NL,SC,TH,WL

Sargogyne regularis Körber cru

Scoliciosporum chlorococcum (Stenh.) Vezda cru FE,NF,NL,PC-C

Strangospora pinicola (A. Massal.) Körber cru,lig PC

Thelidium sp. cru LI

Trapelia placodioides Coppins & P. James cru GR,LI,PC,TH,

Trapeliopsis flexuosa (Fr.) Coppins & P. James cru, lig WA

Trypethelium virens Tuck. ex Michener cru,cor TH

Tuckermannopsis americana (Sprengel) Hale fol WE

Usnea subfloridana Stirton fru,cor WE

Verrucaria calkinsiana Servit cru.sax PC.WE

Verrucaria fuscella (Turner) Winch cru,sax NL

Verrucaria muralis Ach. cru,sax LI,NL

Verrucaria nigrescens Pers. cru,sax LI

Xanthomendoza fallax (Hepp ex Arnold) Sopchting, Kärnefelt & S. Kondr. fol,cor

FE,NF,NL,PC,PE,WA,WE,WL

Xanthoparmelia cumberlandia (Gyelnik) Hale fol,sax WA,WE

Xanthoparmelia viriduloumbrina fol,sax (Gyelnik) Lendemer fol TH

Xanthoria elegans (Link) Th. Fr. fol,sax(anthropogen) PE

<u>List L2. Other species reported for Niagara in Wong & Brodo (1992) but not collected by R. Olszewski</u>

Cladonia subcariosa Nyl. (as C. polycarpoides) PE or TH?

Lecanora caesiorubella Ach. subsp. caesiorubella NF

Lobaria quercizans Michaux NF

Myelochroa aurulenta (Tuck.) Elix & Hale PC

Peltigera ponojensis Gyelnik LI

Pertusaria consocians Dibben LI

<u>List L3. Additional Niagara Gorge (on the Canadian side, in NF) species reported in Eckel</u> (2004) but not included in Wong & Brodo (1992) nor collected by R.Olszewski.

Anaptychia crinalis (Schaerer) Vezda (as A. setifera) Collected by R.C. Harris in 1985

Bacidia schweinitzii(Fr. ex E. Michener)A. Schneider (as Biatora schweinitzii) in Macoun (1901)

Bacidia polychroa (Th. Fr.) Körber (as B. fusco-rubella) in Macoun (1901)

Bryoria chalybeiformis (L.) Brodo & D. Hawksw.(as Alectoria jubata var. chalybeiformis) in

Cameron (1895). Records in Ontario = Bryoria furcellata (Fr.) Brodo & Hawksw. (Brodo, 2009).

Cladonia rangiferina (L.) F.H. Wigg in Cameron (1985)

Dermatocarpon miniatum (L.) W. Mann Collected by P.M. Eckel in 1985

Evernia prunastri (L.) Ach. in Cameron (1985)

Heterodermia speciosa (Wulfen) Trevisan (as Physcia speciosa) in Cameron (1895)

Lecanora allophana Nyl. (as L. subfusca) in Cameron (1895). Old records under this name are not necessarily L. allophana (Brodo, 2009).

Lecanora pallida (Schreb.) Schaer. in Macoun (1901) = L. albella (Pers.) Ach.

Lobaria amplissima (Scop.) Forss (as Sticta amplissima) in Cameron (1895)

Lobaria pulmonaria (L.) Hoffm. (as Stcita pulmonaria) in Cameron (1895)

Melanelia sorediata (Ach.) Goward & Ahti (as Parmelia olivacea var. sorediata) in Cameron

(1895)

Peltigera aphthosa (L.) Willd. in Cameron (1895)

Physcia tenella (Scop.) DC. (as P. hispida) in Cameron (1895) Possibly P. adscendens but not

tenella (Brodo, 2009).

Physconia distorta (as P. pulverulenta) but "misidentifications for North America" Esslinger (2008). Possibly Physconia subpallida (Brodo, 2009).

Ramalina americana Hale (as R. calicaris var. fastigiata) in Cameron (1895)

Ramalina fraxinea (L.) Ach. (as *R. calicaris* var. fraxinea) in Cameron (1895) Most likely not fraxinea (Brodo, 2009).

Teloschistes chrysopthalmus (L.) Th. Fr. in Cameron (1895)

Tuckermannopsis ciliaris (Ach.) Gyelnik (as Cetraria ciliaris) in Cameron (1895)

Usnea barbata var. *hista* but *U. barbata* "misidentifications for North America" Esslinger (2009) Perhaps "hirta" (Brodo, 2009)?

Xanthoria polycarpa (Hoffm.) Th. Fr. ex Rieber (as *Teloschistes polycarpus* in Cameron (1895) Probably *X. hasseana* (Brodo 2009).

<u>List L4. Lichens from eastern Haldimand-Norfolk R.M. – Ruigrock Track (in NHAI study area.)</u>

Candelaria concolor (Dickson) Stein
Cladonia cristatella Tuck.
Cladonia humilis (With.) J.R. Laundon
Flavoparmelia caperata (L.) Hale
Parmelia sulcata Taylor
Phaeophyscia rubropulchra (Degel.) Essl.
Physcia millegrana Degel.
Physconia detersa (Nyl.) Poelt
Punctelia rudecta (Ach.) Krog

The Mosses

Most of the mosses represented in my list below are based on collections made incidentally during lichen-hunting outings. I have recently, however, made a more concerted effort at capturing the bryological diversity in a few parks and conservation areas such as Heartland Forest, Short Hills, Louth and Wainfleet Bog. These localities are noted, where applicable, by the species names in the lists of mosses and hepatics collected by me. Many specimen packets await examination and no doubt contain some rarer species or otherwise interesting specimens.

A much more complete listing of moss species, also presented below, is compiled from Ireland and Ley's *Atlas of Ontario Mosses* (1992). This publication provides maps with dots to denote localities for every moss species reported for Ontario. Where it was unclear from the position of a dot as to whether the species was located in the area of this study, the listing by county in *Checklist of the Mosses of Ontario* (Ireland & Cain, 1975) was consulted.

Of the 59 species that I have collected and identified to date, 10 are not shown by a dot for Niagara in Ireland and Ley: Atrichum angustatum, A. crispulum (= A. oerstedianum in Ireland and Ley), A. undulatum, Brachythecium campestre, Bryum pallescens, Calliergon cordifolium, Fissidens fontanus, Hygroamblystegium fluviatile (=Amblystegium fluviatile in Ireland and Ley), Hylocomium pyrenaicum and Pylaisiella polyantha. All but A. undulatum and H. pyrenaicum are found in adjacent or nearby counties or regional municipalities and so their presence in Niagara is not unexpected.

When the taxa in the three lists below are added we have a total of 198 species and 2 varieties in the Region. However, a quick scan of the distribution maps in Ireland and Ley will reveal numerous other species occurring nearby. It is likely that many of these will be found in Niagara following more intensive searches.

All species collected by me and listed below are backed up by voucher specimens kept in my personal herbarium. Specimens are available for examination upon request.

Moss Lists

<u>List M1. Moss species in collections made by R. Olszewski during the period 1990 – 2009.</u>

Anomodon attenuatus (Hedwig) Hübener Heartland Forest, Louth CA, Short Hills PP
Anomodon rostratus (Hedwig) Schimper Louth CA, Short Hills PP
Anomodon viticulosus ((Hedwig) Hooker & Taylor Balls Falls CA, Louth CA, Short Hills CA
Atrichum altecristatum (Renauld & Cardot) B.B. Smyth & L.C.D. Smyth Paradise Grove

Atrichum angustatum (Bridel) Bruch. & Schimper Paradise Grove

Atrichum crispulum Bescherelle Heartland Forest, Louth CA, Wainfleet Bog CA

Atrichum undulatum (Hedwig) Palisot de Beauvois Short Hills PP

Aulocomnium palustre (Hedwig) Schwägrichen Heartland Forest, Wainfleet Bog CA

Brachythecium campestre (C. Müll.er) B.S.G. Paradise Grove

Brachythecium populeum (Hedwig) B.S.G. Paradise Grove, Short Hills PP

Brachythecium rivulare W.P. Schimper in B.S.G. Heartland Forest

Brachythecium rutabulum (Hedwig) Schimper Wainfleet Bog CA

Brachythecium salebrosum (Web & D. Mohr) B.S.G. Beamers Falls CA, Louth CA,

Wainfleet Bog CA, Short Hills CA

Bryum argenteum Hedwig Wainfleet Bog CA

Bryum capillare Hedwig Heartland Forest

Bryum pallescens Scheicher ex Schwägrichen Quarry Road Pits

Callicladium haldanianum (Greville) H. Crum Short Hills PP

Calliergon cordifolium (Hedwig) Kindberg Heartland Forest

Campylium chrysophyllum (Bridel) J. Lange Heartland Forest, Louth CA

Ceratodon purpureus (Hedwig) Bridel Wainfleet Bog CA

Climacium americanum Bridel Heartland Forest, Louth CA

Dicranum scoparium Hedwig Caves Springs CA

Dicranum viride (Sullivant & Lesquereux) Lindberg Heartland Forest

Entodon cladorrhizans (Hedwig) C. Müller Heartland Forest, Wainfleet Bog CA

Eurhynchium hians (Hedwig) Sande-Lac Paradise Grove

Fissidens fontanus (Bachelot de la Pylaie) Steudel Louth CA

Fissidens taxifolius Hedwig Beamers Falls CA, Heartland Forest, Louth CA, Paradise Grove, Short Hills CA

Hedwigia ciliata (Hedwig) Palisot de Beauvois Louth CA, Paradise Grove

Herzogiella turfacea (Lindberg) Palisot de Beauvois Louth CA

Hygroamblystegium fluviatile (Hedwig) Loeske Louth CA

Hygroamlystegium tenax (Hedwig) Jennings Short Hills PP

Hylocomium pyrenaicum (Spruce) Lindberg Heartland Forest

Hypnum lindbergii Mitten

Hypnum pallescens (Hedwig) Palisot de Beauvois Heartland Forest, Louth CA

Leptodictyum riparium (Hedwig) Warnstorf Heartland Forest

Leucobryum glaucum (Hedwig) Angström Heartland Forest, Louth CA

Mnium marginatum (Withering) Bridel ex Palisot de Beauvois Louth CA

Orthotrichum anomalum Hedwig Louth CA

Orthotrichum pumilum Swartz Wainfleet Bog CA

Physcomitrium pyriforme (Hedwig) Hampe

Plagiomnium cuspidatum (Hedwig) T.J. Kopponen Heartland Forest, Louth CA, Paradise

Grove, Short Hills PP, Wainfleet Bog CA

Plagiothecium cavifolium (Bridel) lwatsuki Short Hills PP

Plagiothecium latebricola B.S.G. Heartland Forest

Platygyrium repens (Bridel) B.S.G. Heartland Forest, Short Hills PP

Pohlia cruda (Hedwig) Lindberg Wainfleet Bog CA

Pohlia nutans (Hedwig) Lindberg Wainfleet Bog CA

Polytrichastrum ohioense (Renault & Cardot) G.L. Smith Heartland Forest, Louth CA,

Willoughby Swamp CA

Polytrichum commune Hedwig Paradise Grove

Polytrichum juniperum Hedwig Wainfleet Bog CA

Polytrichum strictum Bridel Wainfleet Bog CA

Pylaisiella polyantha (Hedwig) Grout Heartland Forest, Paradise Grove

Rhodobryum ontariense (Kindberg) Kindberg Louth CA

Rhytidiadelphus triquetrus (Hedwig) Warnstorf Caistorville

Schistidium rivulare (Bridel) Podpera Short Hills CA

Sphagnum fimbriatum Wilson & Hooker Heartland Forest, Wainfleet Bog CA

Sphagnum palustre Linnaeus Wainfleet Bog CA

Taxiphyllum deplanatum (Bruch & Schimper ex Sullivant) Fleischer Louth CA

Tetraphis pellucida Hedwig Heartland Forest, Wainfleet Bog CA

Thuidium delicatulum (Hedwig) Schimper var. delicatulum Heartland Forest, Louth CA, Short

Hills CA, Wainfleet Bog CA

<u>List M2: Other mosses reported for Niagara Regional Municipality in *Atlas of Ontario Mosses* (Ireland and Lay, 1992).</u>

Abietinella abietinum (Hedwig) Fleischer

Aloina brevirostris (Hooker & Greville) Kindberg

Amblystegium serpens (Hedwig) B.S.G.

Amblystegium serpens var. juratzkanum (W.P. Schimper) Renaud & Cardot

Amblystegium varium (Hedwig) Lindberg

Anomodon minor (Hedwig) Fürnrohr

Aulocomnium heterostichum (Hedwig) Bruch & W.P. Schimper

Bartramia pomiformis Hedwig

Brachythecium acuminatum (Hedwig) Rau & Hervey.

Brachythecium laetum (Bridel) Schimper

Brachythecium plumosum (Hedwig) B.S.G.

Brachythecium turgidum (C.J. Hartman) Kindberg

Brachythecium velutinum (Hedwig) B.S.G.

Brotherella recurvans (Michaux) Fleischer

Bryhnia graminicolor (Bridel) Grout

Bryoerythrophyllum recurvirostrum (Hedwig) P.C. Chen

Bryum caespiticium Hedwig

Bryum lisae var. cuspidatum (=creberrimum?) (Bruch & W.P. Schimper) Margadant

Bryum pseudotriquetrum (Hedwig) P.G. Gartner, B. Meyer & Scherbius

Campylium hispidulum (Bridel) Mitten

Climacium dendroides (Hedwig) Weber & D. Mohr

Conardia compacta (C. Müller) C. Müller

Cratoneuron filicinum (Hedwig) Spruce

Cyrto-hypnum pygmaeum (W.P. Schimper in B.S.G.) W.R. Buck & H. Crum

Desmatodon porteri P. James in Austin

Dicranella heteromalla (Hedwig) Schimper

Dicranella varia (Hedwig) Schimper

Dicranum flagellare Hedwig

Dicranum fulvum Hooker

Dicranum montanum Hedwig

Dicranum polysetum Swartz

Didymodon fallax (Hedwig) R.H. Zander

Didymodon rigidulus Hedwig

Didymodon rigidulus var. gracilis (Schleicher ex Hooker & Greville) R.H. Zander

Didymodon tophaceus (Bridel) Lisa

Diphyscium foliosum (Hedwig) D. Mohr

Distichium capillaceum (Hedwig) Bruch & Schimper

Ditrichum pallidum (Hedwig) Hampe

Drepanocladus aduncus (Hedwig) Warnstorf

Encalypta procera Bruch

Entodon seductrix (Hedwig) Müller

Ephemerum spinulosum Bruch & W.P. Schimper in W.P. Schimper

Eucladium verticillatum Bruch & Schimper

Eurhynchium praelongum (Hedwig) Schimper

Eurhvnchium pulchellum (Hedwig) Jennings

Fissidens bryoides Hedwig

Fissidens dubius Palisot de Beauvois

Fissidens obtusifolius Wilson

Fontinalis dalecarlica B.S.G.

Fontinalis hypnoides C.J. Hartman

Forsstroemia trichomitria (Hedwig) Lindberg

Funaria hygrometrica Hedwig

Grimmia pilifera Palisot de Beauvois

Grimmia plagiopodia Hedwig

Gymnostomum aeruginosum Smith

Helodium paludosum (Austin) Brotherus

Homomallium adnatum (Hedwig) Brotherus

Hymenostylium recurvirostre (Hedwig) Dixon

Hyophila involuta (Hooker) A. Jaeger

Hypnum fertile Sendtner

Hypnum imponens Hedwig

Hypnum pretense J. Koch ex Spruce

Leptodictyum humile (Palisot de Beauvois) Ochyra

Leptodictyum riparium (Hedwig) Warnstorff

Leskea obscura Hedwig

Leskeella nervosa (Bridel) Loeske

Leucodon brachypus Bridel

Mnium ambiguum H.L.H. Müller

Mnium spinulosum B.S.G.

Myurella sibirica (C. Müller) Reimers

Orthotrichum cupulatum G.F. Hoffmann ex Bridel

Orthotrichum strangulatum Palisot de Beauvois

Oxystegus tenuirostris (W.J. Hooker & Taylor) A.J.E. Smith

Palustriella commutata (Hedwig) Ochyra

Phascum cuspidatum Hedwig

Philonotis fontana (Hedwig) Bridel

Plagiomnium ciliare (C. Müller) T. Koponen

Plagiomnium affine var. rugicum (Laurer) Margadant & During =?

Plagiomnium medium (Bruch & W.P. Schimper) T. Koponen

Plagiomnium rostratum (Schrader) T. Koponen

Plagiothecium denticulatum (Hedwig) W.P. Schimper in B.S.G.

Platydictya confervoides (Bridel) H. Crum

Pohlia wahlenbergii (Weber & D. Mohr) Andrews in Grout

Polytrichum longisetum Swartz ex Bridel

Pottia truncata (Hedwig) Bruch & W.P. Schimper

Ptychomitrium incurvum (Schwägrichen) Spruce

Seligeria recurvata (Hedwig) B.S.G.

Sphagnum capillifolium (Ehrhart) Hedwig

Sphagnum tenerum Sullivant

Sphagnum compactum Lamarck & de Candolle

Sphagnum fuscum (Schimper) H. Klinggräff

Sphagnum papillosum Lindberg

Thamnobryum alleghaniense (C. Müller) Nieuwland

Thelia asprella (B.S.G.) Sullivant & Lesquereux

Thuidium recognitum (Hedwig) Lindberg

Timmia megapolitana Hedwig

Tortella fragilis (Hooker & Wilson) Limpricht

Tortella humilis (Hedwig) Jennings

Tortella tortuosa (Hedwig) Limpricht

Tortula mucronifolia Schwägrichen

Tortula muralis Hedwig

Tortula ruralis (Hedwig) P.G. Gartner, B. Meyer & Scherbius

Weissia controversa Hedwig

List M3: Other taxa included in Eckel's Niagara Gorge mosses

Aloina rigida (Hedwig) Limpricht in Cameron (1895)

Amblystegium trichopodium (Schultz) C.J. Hartman = ? P. Eckel: collection 1998

Amphidium lapponicum (Hedwig) W.P. Schimper in Macoun (1901)

Anomodon rugelii (C.Müller) Keissler P.Eckel & R. Zander: collection 1998

Barbula convoluta Hedwig P. Eckel: collection 1991

Barbula unguiculata Hedwig P. Eckel - several collections

Bryhnia novae-angliae (Sullivant & Lesquereux ex Sullivant) Grout P. Eckel: collection 1998

Bryohaplocladium microphyllum (Hedwig) R. Watanabe & Z. Iwatsuki Eckel: collection 1998

Bryum tortifolium Funck ex Bridel = ? in Macoun & Kindberg (1892)

Campylium stellatum (Hedwig) var. stellatum in Cameron (1895)

Desmatodon obtusifolius (Schwägrichen) Schimper C.Peck in Day (1888)

Dicranum fuscescens Turner P. Eckel & R. Zander: collection 1998

Didymodon fallax var. reflexus (Bridel) R.H. Zander in Cameron (1895)

Didymodon vinealis (Bridel) R.H. Zander "doubtful record" in Macoun & Kindberg (1892)

Drummondia prorepens (Hedwig) E.G. Britton

Fissidens adianthoides Hedwig observed by R. Zander

Fissidens grandifrons Bridel in Macoun (1901)

Forsstroemia trichomitria (Hedwig) Lindberg R. Zander: collection in 1986

Herzogiella striatella (Bridel) lwatsuki in Macoun 1901

Hylocomium spendens (Hedwig) B.S.G. in Cameron 1895

Hypnum curvifolium Hedwig in Cameron 1895

Leptobryum pyriforme (Hedwig) Wilson in Cameron 1895

Leskea polycarpa Hedwig var polycarpa Eckel & Zander: collection in 1998

Mnium orthorrhynchum Bruch & Schimper in Crum (1981)

Mnium thomsonii Schimper Eckel – observation

Orthotrichum obtusifolium Bridel in Cameron 1895

Orthotrichum speciosum Nees ex Sturm in Cameron 1895

Plagiopus oederiana (Swartz) Limpricht in Cameron 1895

Pleuridium subulatum (Hedwig) Rabenhorst P. Eckel: collection in 1991

Pohlia annotina (Hedwig) Lindberg in Cameron 1895

Pohlia atropurpurea (Wahlenberg) H. Lindberg in Cameron 1895

Pylaisiella intricata (Hedwig) Grout in Cameron 1895

Sanionia uncinata (Hedwig) Loeske in Cameron 1895

Schistidium apocarpum (Hedwig) Bruch & Schimper in Cameron 1895

Seligera campylopoda Kindberg ex Macoun & Kindberg Zander: collection in 1971

Warnstorfia fluitans (Hedwig) Loeske P. Eckel: collection 1998

Weissia brachycarpa (Nees & Hornschuch) Juratzka Eckel: collection in 1981

The Hepatics (Liverworts)

Based on the two lists below the total current count of species for the Niagara region is 16.

<u>List H1. Species in collections made by R. Olszewski during the period 1990 – 2009.</u>

Conocephalum conicum (Linnaeus) Underwood Louth CA, Caves Springs CA

Lophocolea heterophylla (Schrader) Dumortier Heartland Forest

Nowellia curvifolia (Dickson) Mitten St. John's CA

Pallavicinia leyellii (Hook) S. Gray Heartland Forest

Plagiochila porelloides (Torrey ex Nees) Lindenberg Louth CA

Porella platyphylla (Linnaeus) Pfeiffer Caves Springs CA, Louth CA, Woodend CA

Ptilidium pulcherrimum (G.H. Weber) Hampe Heartland Forest

Radula complanata (Linnaeus) Dum. Louth CA

Ricciocarpus natans (Linnaeus) Corda = ? Heartland Forest

List H2. Other records of Hepatics from the Niagara Gorge – Canadian side.

Frullania eboracensis Gottsche in Macoun but supported by recent specimen in US gorge.

Marchantia polymorpha Linnaeus observed by R. Zander

Plagiochila asplenioides (Linnaeus) Dumort

Preissia quadrata (Scopoli) Nees in Macoun 1901

Reboulia hemisphaerica (Linnaeus) Raddi in Cameron 1895

Riccia fluitans Linnaeus in Macoun 1901

Trichocolea tomentella Nees in Day 1883

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