

APPENDIX S

General Comments Concerning Federally Listed Endangered Species

Awareness is the key to owning and managing lands on which federally listed endangered species occur. The following is a simple key for *High Plains and Rolling Plains* landowners to use, and detailed (confidential) consultation with a Department wildlife biologist is advised prior to implementation of habitat manipulation practices.

- o Gray wolf (*Canus lupus*) - This species historically occurred throughout the High Plains of Texas and is now thought to be extirpated.
- o Black-footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*) - This species is thought to be extinct in the High Plains of Texas; however, it did occur in the black-tailed prairie dog-burrowing owl-prairie rattlesnake complex that exists today in prairie dog towns on shortgrass prairie sites.
- o American peregrine falcon (*Falco peregrinus anatum*) - This is a neotropical (summer) migratory species infrequently observed gliding over prairies and croplands.

To the best of our knowledge, there are no habitat manipulation practices recommended herein that would adversely impact these species. For a current update of listings for any county in the High Plains or Rolling Plains, contact TPWD in Austin @ 1-800-792-1112.

