OPn93 Northern Extremely Rich Fen Pollinator Resources

Open peatlands dominated by fine-leaved graminoids scattered in channels of standing water. Present in areas of calcium-rich groundwater discharge in large patterned peatlands.

Examples of insect pollinators (and their associated host plants in parentheses) that use OPn93 include:

Bees:

Dufourea harveyi (Dasiphora fruticose) Andrena hirticincta (Symphyotrichum) Osmia virga (Vaccinium)

Butterflies:

Boloria frigga (Andromeda polifolia var. latifolia) Colias interior (Vaccinium) Euphyes dion (Carex)

Moths:

Dasychira cinnamomea (Andromeda polifolia var. latifolia) Exyra fax (Sarracenia purpurea subs. purpurea) Papaipema aweme (Menyanthes trifoliata) Phyllonorycter ledella (Rhododendron groenlandicum)



Andrena hirticincta uses Symphyotrichum (American asters) species as a host plant. Photo: Heather Holm



Papaipema aweme (Aweme borer moth) uses *Menyanthes trifoliata* (buckbean) as a host plant. Photo by Kye Johnson



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Pollinator Resources Table

OPn93 Class Factsheet. Based on 9 plots. November 2024



Forbs	species frequency in NPC (%)	species cover (when present)	Compatibility	Longevity	Clonality	Principal Pollen Vector	Pollinator requirements	Pollination Index
Pitcher plant (Sarracenia purpurea)	89	•	SC	Perennial	Present	insects	Generalist	2
Intermediate bladderwort (Utricularia intermedia)	78	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	insects	Somewhat specific insect	4
Buckbean (<i>Menyanthes trifoliata</i>)	78	••	н	Perennial	Present	insects	Early spring insect	5
Kalm's lobelia (<i>Lobelia kalmii</i>)	56	•	UNK	Perennial	Weakly	insects	Very specialized insect	5
Seaside arrowgrass (Triglochin maritima)	56	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Marsh grass-of-Parnassus (Parnassia palustris)	44	•	SC	Perennial	Present	insects	Generalist	2
Horned bladderwort (Utricularia cornuta)	33	•	СН	Perennial	Present	insects	Somewhat specific insect	5
Round-leaved sundew (Drosera rotundifolia)	33	•	SC	Perennial	Absent	insects	Generalist	3
English sundew (Drosera anglica)	33	•	SC	Perennial	Absent	insects	Generalist	3
Bog aster (Aster borealis)	33	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	insects	Generalist	3
American grass-of-Parnassus (Parnassia glauca)	22	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	insects	Generalist	3
Spatulate-leaved sundew (Drosera intermedia)	22	•	SC	Perennial	Absent	insects	Generalist	3
Marsh bellflower (Campanula aparinoides)	11	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	insects	Generalist	3
Labrador bedstraw (Galium labradoricum)	11	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	insects	Generalist	3
Wild calla (Calla palustris)	11	•	А	Perennial	Present	insects	Somewhat specific insect	3
Marsh cinquefoil (Potentilla palustris)	11	•	SC	Perennial	Present	insects	Generalist	2
Lesser bladderwort (Utricularia minor)	11	•	СН	Perennial	Present	insects	Somewhat specific insect	5
Sticky false asphodel (Tofieldia glutinosa)	11	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	insects	Generalist	3
Grasses and Sedges								
Candle-lantern sedge (Carex limosa)	89	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Tufted bulrush (Scirpus cespitosus)	78	•••	UNK	Perennial	Absent	wind	Generalist	0
Fen wiregrass sedge (Carex lasiocarpa)	78	••••	SI	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Flattened spikerush (Eleocharis compressa)	67	•	SC	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Twig rush (Cladium mariscoides)	67	•••	UNK	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Common reed grass (Phragmites australis)	56	••	SI	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Lead-colored sedge (Carex livida)	44	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
White beak rush (Rhynchospora alba)	44	•	UNK	Perennial	Absent	wind	Generalist	0
Interior sedge (Carex interior)	33	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Hudson Bay bulrush (Scirpus hudsonianus)	33	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Beaked spikerush (Eleocharis rostellata)	33	•••	SC	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Creeping sedge (Carex chordorrhiza)	22	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Clustered muhly grass (Muhlenbergia glomerata)	22	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Slender sedge (Carex echinata)	22	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Coastal sedge (Carex exilis)	22	••	UNK	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Sterile sedge (Carex sterilis)	22	••	D	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Prairie sedge (Carex prairea)	11	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Soft stem bulrush (Scirpus validus)	11	•	UNK	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0

Low Shrubs								
Bog rosemary (Andromeda glaucophylla)	89	•	SC	Perennial	Present	insects	Somewhat specific insect	3
Labrador tea (Ledum groenlandicum)	22	•	SC	Perennial	Present	insects	Early spring insect	3
Small cranberry (Vaccinium oxycoccos)	22	•	± SC	Perennial	Present	insects	Somewhat specific insect, Facultative buzz pollination	3
Tall Shrubs								
Bog birch (<i>Betula pumila</i>)	78	•	Di	Perennial	Present	wind	Generalist	0
Shrubby cinquefoil (Potentilla fruticosa)	33	••	SC	Perennial	Absent	insects	Generalist	3
Dwarf alder (Rhamnus alnifolia)	22	•	UNK	Perennial	Absent	insects	Generalist	4
Tree Seedlings or Saplings (< 6ft)								
White cedar	67	•	UNK	Perennial	Absent	wind	Generalist	0
Tamarack	56	•••	SI	Perennial	Absent	wind	Generalist	0
Black spruce	33	•	UNK	Perennial	Absent	wind	Generalist	0