









# Species Modeling Report

## Southern Appalachian Salamander

Plethodon teyahalee

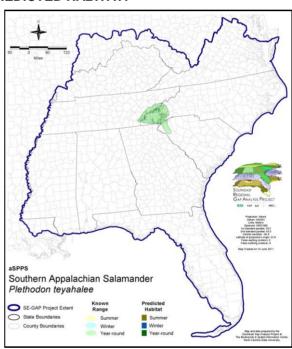
Taxa: Amphibian SE-GAP Spp Code: aSPPS Order: Caudata ITIS Species Code: 208294

Family: Plethodontidae NatureServe Element Code: AAAAD12300

### **KNOWN RANGE:**

# Southern Appalachian Salamander Plethodon teyahalee

### PREDICTED HABITAT:



Range Map Link: <a href="http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/maps/SE\_Range\_aSPPS.pdf">http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/maps/SE\_Range\_aSPPS.pdf</a> Predicted Habitat Map Link: http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/maps/SE\_Dist\_aSPPS.pdf GAP Online Tool Link: http://www.gapserve.ncsu.edu/segap/segap/index2.php?species=aSPPS

http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/region/vert/aSPPS\_se00.zip Data Download:

### **PROTECTION STATUS:**

Reported on March 14, 2011

Federal Status: ---State Status: ---NS Global Rank: G3

NS State Rank: GA (S2), NC (S3?), SC (SNR), TN (S3?)

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### SUMMARY OF PREDICTED HABITAT BY MANAGMENT AND GAP PROTECTION STATUS:

	US FWS		US Forest Service		Tenn. Valley A	Author.	US DOD/ACOE	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	2,860.8	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	C
Status 2	0.0	0	6,775.6	2	0.0	0	0.0	C
Status 3	0.0	0	93,778.5	24	0.0	0	0.0	0
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Total	0.0	0	103,414.9	27	0.0	0	0.0	0
	US Dept. of Energy		US Nat. Park Service		NOAA		Other Federal Lands	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	58,185.8	15	0.0	0	0.0	C
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	C
Status 3	0.0	0	1,153.6	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	C
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Total	0.0	0	59,339.4	15	0.0	0	0.0	0
1	Native Am. Reserv.		State Park/Hist. Park		State WMA/Gameland		State Fores	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	C
Status 2	0.0	0	1,318.8	< 1	448.4	< 1	0.0	C
Status 3	3,643.7	< 1	746.9	< 1	699.0	< 1	0.0	C
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	C
Total	3,643.7	< 1	2,065.7	< 1	1,147.4	< 1	0.0	(
	State Coastal Reserve		ST Nat.Area/Preserve		Other State Lands		Private Cons. Easemt.	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	(
Status 2	0.0	0	110.3	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	(
Status 3	0.0	0	0.0	0	17.3	< 1	0.0	(
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	25.0	< 1	0.0	(
Total	0.0	0	110.3	< 1	42.3	< 1	0.0	(
	Private Land - N	No Res.		Water			Overa	II Tota
	ha	%	ha	%			ha	%
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0			61,046.6	16
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0			8,653.1	2
Status 3	0.0	0	0.0	0			100,039.1	50
Status 4	123,078.7	32	12.1	< 1			123,115.8	32
Total	123,078.7	32	12.1	< 1			292,854.5	100

GAP Status 1: An area having permanent protection from conversion of natural land cover and a mandated management plan in operation to maintain a natural state within which disturbance events (of natural type, frequency, and intensity) are allowed to proceed without interference or are mimicked through management.

GAP Status 2: An area having permanent protection from conversion of natural land cover and a mandated management plan in operation to maintain a primarily natural state, but which may receive use or management practices that degrade the quality of existing natural communities.

GAP Status 3: An area having permanent protection from conversion of natural land cover for the majority of the area, but subject to extractive uses of either a broad, low-intensity type or localized intense type. It also confers protection to federally listed endangered and threatened species throughout the area.

GAP Status 4: Lack of irrevocable easement or mandate to prevent conversion of natural habitat types to anthropogenic habitat types. Allows for intensive use throughout the tract. Also includes those tracts for which the existence of such restrictions or sufficient information to establish a higher status is unknown.

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### PREDICTED HABITAT MODEL(S):

### Year-round Model:

**Habitat Description:** 

Southern Appalachian salamanders are restricted to the southern Appalachian Mountains south and west of the French Broad River and are known to occur as far south as Rabun County, Georgia. They are more abundant in hardwood forests than in pine or hemlock (Wilson 1995). These salamanders are typically encountered at high elevations (up to 1550 m (Petranka 1998)), where they shelter under leaf litter, decaying logs or rocks. Populations may be concentrated toward the species' upper elevational limits in densely forested settings, coves and other mesic situations (Wilson 1995). All stages of their life history are terrestrial. Stacy Smith, 15April05

Elevation Mask: < 1550m

ected Map Units:					
Functional Group	Map Unit Name				
Forest/Woodland	Appalachian Hemlock-Hardwood Forest				
Forest/Woodland	Central and Southern Appalachian Montane Oak Forest				
Forest/Woodland	Central and Southern Appalachian Northern Hardwood Forest				
Forest/Woodland	nd Central and Southern Appalachian Spruce-Fir Forest				
Forest/Woodland	dland Southern and Central Appalachian Cove Forest				
Forest/Woodland	nd Southern Piedmont Mesic Forest				

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