

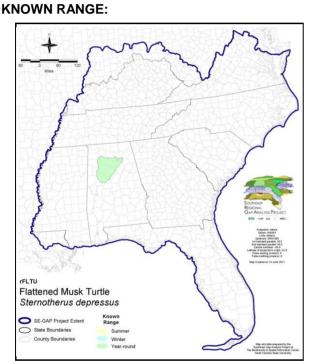


# Species Modeling Report

## **Flattened Musk Turtle**

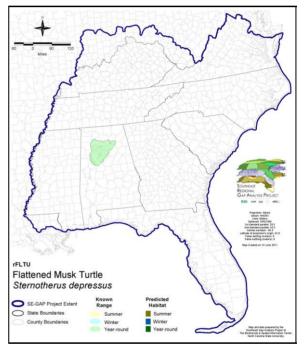
Sternotherus depressus

- Taxa: Reptilian
- Order: Cryptodeira
- Family: Kinosternidae



SE-GAP Spp Code: **rFLTU** ITIS Species Code: 173760 NatureServe Element Code: ARAAE02020

### PREDICTED HABITAT:



 Range Map Link:
 http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/maps/SE\_Range\_rFLTU.pdf

 Predicted Habitat Map Link:
 http://www.basic.ncsu.edu/segap/datazip/maps/SE\_Dist\_rFLTU.pdf

 GAP Online Tool Link:
 http://www.gapserve.ncsu.edu/segap/segap/index2.php?species=rFLTU

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

#### **PROTECTION STATUS:**

Federal Status: LT State Status: AL (SP) NS Global Rank: G2 NS State Rank: AL (S2) Reported on March 14, 2011

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

1	US FWS		US Forest Service		Tenn. Valley Author.		US DOD/ACOE	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	9
Status 1	1.7	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Status 2	0.0	0	86.2	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	
Status 3	0.0	0	313.7	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	(
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	(
Total	1.7	< 1	400.0	1	0.0	0	0.0	(
	US Dept. of Energy		US Nat. Park Service		NOAA		Other Federal Land	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	9
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Status 3	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	(
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Total	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
1	Native Am. Reserv.		State Park/Hist. Park		State WMA/Gameland		State Fores	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	9
Status 1	0.0	0	8.5	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Status 3	0.0	0	< 0.1	< 1	0.0	0	0.0	
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	387.1	1	0.0	
Total	0.0	0	8.6	< 1	387.1	1	0.0	
1	State Coastal Reserve		ST Nat.Area/Preserve		Other State Lands		Private Cons. Easemt	
	ha	%	ha	%	ha	%	ha	9
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Status 3	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Status 4	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Total	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
1	Private Land - N	No Res.		Water			Overa	ll Tota
	ha	%	ha	%			ha	9
Status 1	0.0	0	0.0	0			10.2	<
Status 2	0.0	0	0.0	0			86.2	<
Status 3	0.0	0	0.0	0			313.8	
Status 4	30,945.3	95	153.5	< 1			31,873.0	9
Total	30,945.3	95	153.5	< 1			32,283.2	10

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.

#### PREDICTED HABITAT MODEL(S):

#### Year-round Model:

#### Habitat Description:

scription: Endemic to Alabama, the flattened musk turtle occupies medium-sized creeks to larger streams and impoundments with deep pools and an abundance of submerged boulders and benthic invertabrate fauna (Marion and Bailey 2004). Preferred habitat seems to be clear, rock-bottomed to sandy, permanent streams above fall line (Ernst and Barbour 1989 in NatureServe 2005). Although primarily aquatic, nests are dug in sandy banks or at edges of surrounding riparian areas (Marion and Bailey 2004). Amy Silvano 8jul05

Ecosystem Classifiers: Aquatic species, only terrestrial systems selected apply to nesting habitat. Amy Silvano 8jul05

#### Hydrography Mask:

#### Freshwater Only

Utilizes flowing water features with buffers of 60m from and unlimited into selected water features. Utilizes open water features with buffers of 60m from and 60m into selected water features.

Functional Group	Map Unit Name
Anthropogenic	Bare Sand
Anthropogenic	Bare Soil
Anthropogenic	Developed Open Space
Water	Open Water (Aquaculture)
Water	Open Water (Fresh)
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Blackwater Stream Floodplain Forest - Forest Modifier
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Blackwater Stream Floodplain Forest - Herbaceous Modifier
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Brownwater Stream Floodplain Forest
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Depression Pondshore
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Large Natural Lakeshore
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Northern Pondshore
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Small Blackwater River Floodplain Forest
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Small Brownwater River Floodplain Forest
Wetlands	Atlantic Coastal Plain Xeric River Dune
Wetlands	Central Appalachian Floodplain - Forest Modifier
Wetlands	Central Appalachian Floodplain - Herbaceous Modifier
Wetlands	Central Appalachian Riparian - Forest Modifier
Wetlands	Central Appalachian Riparian - Herbaceous Modifier
Wetlands	Central Florida Herbaceous Pondshore
Wetlands	Cumberland Riverscour
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Large River Floodplain Forest - Forest Modifier
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Large River Floodplain Forest - Herbaceous Modifier
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Northern Depression Pondshore
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Northern Seepage Swamp
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Small Stream and River Floodplain Forest
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Southern Depression Pondshore
Wetlands	East Gulf Coastal Plain Treeless Savanna and Wet Prairie
Wetlands	Lower Mississippi River Bottomland and Floodplain Forest
Wetlands	Lower Mississippi River Bottomland Depressions - Forest Modifier
Wetlands	Lower Mississippi River Bottomland Depressions - Herbaceous Modifier
Wetlands	Mississippi River Low Floodplain (Bottomland) Forest
Wetlands	Mississippi River Riparian Forest
Wetlands	South Florida Pond-Apple/Popash Slough
Wetlands	South-Central Interior Large Floodplain - Forest Modifier
Wetlands	South-Central Interior Large Floodplain - Herbaceous Modifier

Wetlands	Southern Appalachian Seepage Wetland	
Wetlands	Southern Coastal Plain Blackwater River Floodplain Forest	
Wetlands	Southern Coastal Plain Seepage Swamp and Baygall	
Wetlands	Southern Coastal Plain Spring-run Stream Aquatic Vegetation	
Wetlands	Southern Piedmont Large Floodplain Forest - Forest Modifier	
Wetlands	Southern Piedmont Large Floodplain Forest - Herbaceous Modifier	
Wetlands	Southern Piedmont Seepage Wetland	
Wetlands	Southern Piedmont Small Floodplain and Riparian Forest	
Wetlands	Southern Piedmont/Ridge and Valley Upland Depression Swamp	
Wetlands	Unconsolidated Shore (Lake/River/Pond)	

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