Species: Blue-winged Warbler (Vermivora pinus)

Global Rank: G5 State Rank: S4B

State Wildlife Action Plan: Responsibility Species CCVI Rank: Not Vulnerable/Increase Likely

Confidence: Very high

Habitat:

Blue-winged warblers are found in overgrown fields, power-line cuts, open brushy second-growth woodlands or woodland edges, thickets, and shrubby swamps (McWilliams and Brauning 2000).

Current Threats:

Blue-winged warblers are sensitive to nest predation by brown-headed cowbirds (NatureServe 2010).

Main Factors Contributing to Vulnerability Rank:

Although blue-winged warblers may be sensitive to certain climate change related factors addressed in the CCVI, such as predicted land use impacts designed to mitigate against climate change, the CCVI rank is Not Vulnerable/Increase Likely. Available evidence assessed in the CCVI suggests that abundance and/or range extent within Pennsylvania is likely to increase by 2050. However, additional stressors that may affect the species are not considered in the CCVI and should also be evaluated when planning conservation related actions.

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