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Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-229, any new fee or fee increase promulgated by state agency rule shall take effect on July 1, following the expiration of the ninety (90) day period as provided in § 4-5-207. This section shall not apply to rules that implement new fees or fee increases that are promulgated as emergency rules pursuant to § 4-5-208(a) and to subsequent rules that make permanent such emergency rules, as amended during the rulemaking process. In addition, this section shall not apply to state agencies that did not, during the preceding two (2) fiscal years, collect fees in an amount sufficient to pay the cost of operating the board, commission or entity in accordance with § 4-29-121(b).

Agency/Board/Commission:	Environment and Conservation	
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Revision Type (check all that apply):

X Amendment

New

Repeal

Rule(s) (**ALL** chapters and rules contained in filing must be listed here. If needed, copy and paste additional tables to accommodate multiple chapters. Please make sure that **ALL** new rule and repealed rule numbers are listed in the chart below. Please enter only **ONE** Rule Number/Rule Title per row)

Chapter Number	Chapter Title
0400-06-02	Rare Plant Protection and Conservation Regulations
Rule Number	Rule Title
0400-06-0204	List of Endangered Species

Place substance of rules and other info here. Please be sure to include a detailed explanation of the changes being made to the listed rule(s). Statutory authority must be given for each rule change. For information on formatting rules go to

https://sos.tn.gov/products/division-publications/rulemaking-guidelines.

Chapter 0400-06-02 Rare Plant Protection and Conservation Regulations

Amendment

Rule 0400-06-02-.04 List of Endangered Species is amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the following new Rule 0400-06-02-.04 List of Endangered Species to read as follows:

0400-06-02-.04 List of Endangered Species.

The endangered plant list of Tennessee includes the following:

Latin Name

Aconitum reclinatum A. Gray Agalinis auriculata (Michx.) Blake Agalinis decemloba (Greene) Pennel Agalinis heterophylla (Nutt.) Small ex Britton Agalinis oligophylla Pennell

Agalinis oligophylla Pennell Agalinis plukenetii (Ell.) Raf Anemone caroliniana Walt. Apios priceana Robbins

Arenaria lanuginosa (Michx.) Rohrback Aristida ramosissima Engelm. ex Gray

Asplenium scolopendrium L. var. americanum

(Fern.) Kartesz & Gandhi

Astragalus bibullatus Barneby and Bridges

Betula papyrifera Marsh var. cordifolia (Regel) Fern.

Blephilia subnuda Simmers & Kral Boechera patens (Sull.) Al-Shehbaz

Boechera perstellata (E. L. Braun) Al-Shehbaz

Brachydontium trichodes (Web.) Milde

Botrychium simplex E. Hitchc.

Bulbostylis ciliatifolia (Ell.) Fern. var. coarctata (Ell.) Kral capillary hairsedge

Calamagrostis cainii Hitchcock Calamagrostis porteri A. Gray

Caltha palustris L.

Carex barrattii Schweinitz and Torr.

Carex buxbaumii Wahlenb.

Carex canescens L. ssp. disjuncta Fern.

Carex fumosimontana Estes Carex interior L. H. Bailey

Carex Ionchocarpa Willd. ex Spreng.

Carex manhartii Bryson

Carex muskingumensis Schweinitz

Carex pellita Willd.
Carex tetanica Schkuhr

Cephaloziella messalongi (Spruce) K. Muell.

Cerastium velutinum Raf. Clematis fremontii S. Wats. Clematis vinacea Floden Clematis morefieldii Kral

Clethra alnifolia L.

Coeloglossum viride (L.) Hartman var. virescens (Muhl. ex Willd.) Luer

Common Name

trailing white monkshood ear-leaved false-foxglove ten lobe false foxglove prairie false foxglove ridge-stem false foxglove purple gerardia Carolina anemone Price's potato-bean wooly sandwort branched three-awn grass Hart's-tongue fern

Pyne's ground-plum
heart-leaved paper birch
Cumberland pagoda-plant
spreading rockcress
Braun's rockcress
peak moss
least moonwort
capillary hairsedge
Cain's reedgrass
Porter's reedgrass
marsh marigold
Barratt's sedge

hoary sedge

Buxbaum's sedge

Smoky Mountain sedge inland sedge southern long sedge Manhart's sedge Muskingum sedge woolly sedge rigid sedge a liverwort

velvety cerastium Fremont's Leather Flower

Huntsville vasevine coastal pepperbush long-bracted green orchis

wine colored leatherflower

Collinsia verna Nutt.

Comptonia peregrina (L.) Coulter

Coreopsis latifolia Michx. Crataegus harbisonii Beadle Cypripedium kentuckiense Reed

Cypripedium reginae Walt.

Dalea foliosa (A. Gray) Barneby

Dalea purpurea Vent. Delphinium exaltatum Ait.

Desmodium ochroleucum M.A. Curtis ex Canby

Diamorpha smallii Britt.

Dichanthelium acuminatum ssp. spretum

(Schult.) Freckmann & Lelong

Dichanthelium ensifolium ssp. curtifolium

(Nash) Freckmann & Lelong

Echinacea pallida (Nutt.) Nutt.

Eleocharis elliptica Kunth

Eleocharis equisetoides (Ell.) Torr.

Eleocharis intermedia J.A. Schultes

Eleocharis wolfii A. Gray Eriocaulon decangulare L.

Eriogonum harperi Goodman

Eriophorum virginicum L.

Erysimum capitatum (Dougl.) Greene Eupatorium leucolepis (DC.) Torr. and A. Gray

Eurybia saxicastelli (J. J. N. Campbell & Medley)

G. L. Nesom

Euthamia gymnospermoides Green

Fimbristylis perpusilla Harper

Gentiana puberulenta J.S. Pringle

Geum aleppicum Jacq.

Geum geniculatum Michx. Geum radiatum Michx.

Glyceria Iaxa (Scribn.) Scribn.

Gratiola floridana Nutt.

Hedyotis purpurea (L.) Torr. & A.Gray

var. montana (Small) Fosberg Helenium brevifolium (Nutt.) Wood

Helianthemum canadense (L.) Michx.

Helianthemum propinguum E.P. Bicknell Helianthus verticillatus Small

Homaliadelphus sharpii (Williams) Sharp

Hydrocotyle americana L.

Hypericum adpressum Barton

Hypericum ellipticum Hook.

Hypericum graveolens Bickl.

Iris brevicaulis Raf.

Isoetes appalachiana D.F.Brunton & D.M.Britton

Isoetes melanopoda Gay and Durieu

Isoetes tennesseensis N.T. Luebke & J.M. Budke

Isotria medeoloides (Pursh) Raf.

Lachnanthes caroliana (Lam.)

Lechea pulchella Raf.

Lejeunea sharpii (Schust.) Schust.

Leptodontium viticulosoides var. sulphureum

(Müller Hal.) R. H. Zander

Leptohymenium sharpii (Crum & Anders.) Buck & Crum Mount Le Conte moss

Leptoscyphus cuneifolius (Hook.) Mitt.

Lilium grayi S. Wats.

Lilium philadelphicum L.

blue-eyed Mary sweet-fern

broad-leaved tickseed

Harbison's hawthorn

southern lady's-slipper

showy lady's-slipper

leafy prairie-clover purple prairie-clover

tall larkspur

creamflower tick-trefoil

Small's stonecrop

Eaton's witchgrass

short-leaved panic grass

pale purple coneflower

elliptic spike rush

horse-tail spike-rush

matted spike rush

Wolf's spike rush

ten-angle pipewort Harper's umbrella-plant

tawny cotton grass

western wallflower

white-bracted thoroughwort

Rockcastle aster

Great Plains goldentop

Harper's fimbristylis

prairie gentian

yellow avens bent avens

spreading avens

limp manna grass

Florida hedge-hyssop

Roan Mountain bluet

shortleaf sneezeweed

Canada frostweed

low frostweed

whorled sunflower

Sharp's homaliadelphus moss

American water-pennywort

creeping St. John's-wort

pale St. John's-wort

mountain St. John's-wort

Lamance iris

Appalachian quillwort

blackfoot quillwort

Hiwassee quillwort

small whorled pogonia

Carolina redroot

Leggett's pinweed

Sharp's lejeunia

Grandfather Mountain leptodontium

a liverwort

Grav's lily

wood lily

Listera australis Lindl.

Lithospermum parviflorum Weakley, Witsell & D. Estes Lithospermum subsetosum

(Mack. & Bush) Weakley, Witsell, & D. Estes

Lonicera prolifera (Kirchner) Rehder

Lvsimachia fraseri Duby

Lysimachia quadriflora Sims

Lysimachia terrestris (L.) BSP.

Maianthemum stellatum (L.) Link

Marshallia grandiflora Beadle and Boynton

Marshallia obovata (Walt.) Beadle & F.E. Boynton

Marsupella funckii (Web. & Mohr) Dumort.

Melanthium latifolium Desr.

Melanthium virginicum L.

Minuartia cumberlandensis (Wofford & Kral) McNeill

Minuartia godfrevi (Shinners) McNeill

Minuartia groenlandica (Retzius) Ostenfeld

Muhlenbergia cuspidata (Torr.) Rydb.

Muhlenbergia torreyana (Shult.) Hitchcock

Myriophyllum pinnatum (Walt.) B.S.P.

Nabalis asper (Michx.) Torr. & A. Gray

Nestronia umbellula Raf.

Packera crawfordii (Britt.) A.M. Mahoney & R.R. Lowal

Patis racemoss

(Sm.) Romasch., P.M. Peterson & R. J. Soreng

Paxistima canbyi A. Gray

Paysonia perforata (Rollins) O'Kane & Al-Shehbaz

Paysonia stonensis (Rollins) O'Kane & Al-Shehbaz

Penstemon kralii D. Estes

Perideridia americana (Nutt. ex DC.) Reichenb.

Phegopteris connectilis (Michx.) Watt

Physaria globosa (Desv.) O'Kane

Pityopsis ruthii (Small) Small

Plantago cordata Lam.

Platanthera grandiflora (Bigelow) Lindl.

Platanthera integra (Nutt.) A. Gray ex Beck

Platanthera integrilabia (Correll) Luer

Platanthera nivea (Nutt.) Luer

Poa palustris L.

Pogonia ophioglossoides (L.)Ker-Gawl.

Polygala nana (Michx.) DC.

Polygala nuttallii Torr. and A. Gray

Polygonella americana (Fisch. and Mey)

Ponthieva racemosa (Walt.) Mohr

Porella gracillima

Prunus pumila L.

Pycnanthemum beadlei (Small) Fern.

Pycnanthemum torrei Benth.

Pycnanthemum verticillatum (Michx.) Pers.

Pyrola americana Sweet

Ranunculus aquatilis var. diffusus Withering

Rhamnus alnifolia L'Hér.

Rhynchospora capillacea Torr.

Rhynchospora debilis Gale

Rhynchospora rariflora (Michx.) Ell.

Rudbeckia triloba var. beadlei (Small) Fernald

Rugelia nudicaulis Shuttlw. ex Chapman

Sabatia capitata (Raf.) Blake

Sagittaria rigida Pursh

Sanguisorba canadensis L.

southern twayblade softhair marbleseed smooth false gromwell

grape honeysuckle

Fraser's loosestrife

fourflower vellow loosestrife

swamp loosestrife

starflower false solomom's-seal

large-flowered Barbara's-buttons

spoonshape Barbara's buttons

a liverwort

broadleaf bunchflower

Virginia bunchflower

Cumberland sandwort

Godfrey's stitchwort

mountain sandwort

plains muhly

Torrev's dropseed

cutleaf Watermilfoil

rough rattlesnake root

conjurer's nut

Crawford's ragwort

mountain ricegrass

Canby's mountain-lover Spring Creek bladderpod

Stones River bladderpod

Kral's beardtongue

thicket parsley

long beech fern globe bladderpod

Ruth's golden-aster

heart-leaved plantain

large purple fringed orchid

vellow fringeless orchid

white fringeless orchid

snowy orchid

owl bluegrass

rose pogonia

dwarf milkwort

Nuttail's milkwort

small southern jointweed

shadow-witch

hot porella

sand cherry

Beadle's mountain mint

Torrey's mountain mint

whorled mountain-mint

American wintergreen

eastern white water crowfoot

alderleaf buckthorn

horned beak-rush

savannah beak-rush

few-flowered beak-rush

browneved susan

Rugel's ragwort

rose gentian

sessile-fruited arrowhead

canada burnet

Saxifraga caroliniana A. Gray Saxifraga pensylvanica L.

Schoenoplectus subterminalis (Torr.) Soják

Scutellaria arguta Buckl. Sedum nevii A. Gray Silene ovata Pursh

Silphium brachiatum Gattinger Solidago gattingeri Chapm.

Solidago lancifolia Torr. and A. Gray

Solidago porteri Small

Solidago ptarmicoides (Nees) Bovin

Solidago rupestris Raf.

Solidago spithamaea M.A. Curtis

Sparganium androcladum (Engelm.) Morong Sphenolobopsis pearsoni (Spruce) Shust. & Kitag.

Spiraea alba DuRoi Spiraea virginiana Britt.

Spiranthes magnicamporum Sheviak Spiranthes ochroleuca (Rydb.) Rydb. Spiranthes odorata (Nutt.) Lindl. Sporobolus junceus (P.Beauv.) Kunth

Stachys appalachiana D.B. Poind. & J.B. Nelson

Stellaria alsine Grimm

Stenanthium diffusum Wofford

Sullivantia sullivantii (Torr. & Gray) Britt.

Symphyotrichum ericoides

(L.) G.L. Nesom var. ericoides

Symphyotrichum pratense (Rafinesque) Nesom

Symplocarpus foetidus (L.) Nutt. Taxus canadensis Marsh.

Thaspium pinnatifidum (Buckley) A. Gray

Tortula ammonsiana Crum & Anders.

Tortula fragilis Tayl.

Triantha glutinosa (Walter) Small Triantha racemosa (Walter) Small

Tridens flavus

(L.) Hitchc. var. *chapmanii* (Small) Shinners *Trichophorum cespitosum* (L.) Hartman

Trifolium calcaricum J.L. Collins & Wieboldt

Trifolium reflexum L.

Trillium decumbens Harbison

Trillium lancifolium Raf.

Trillium pusillum Michx.

Trillium rugelii Rendle

Trillium tennesseense E.E. Schill. & Floden

Utricularia cornuta Michx.
Vaccinium elliottii Chapm.
Veronica catenata Pennell
Veronica scutellata L.
Viburnum molle Michx.

Vitis rupestris Scheele

Xyris ambigua Beyr. ex. Kunth.

Xyris fimbriata Ell.

Xyris tennesseensis R. Kral Zigadenus glaucus Nutt. Carolina saxifrage swamp saxifrage swaying bulrush hairy scullcap Nevius' stonecrop ovate catchfly Cumberland rosinw

Cumberland rosinweed
Gattinger's goldenrod
broadleaf goldenrod
Porter's goldenrod
prairie goldenrod
rock goldenrod
Blue Ridge goldenrod

Blue Ridge goldenrod branching bur-reed

a liverwort

narrow-leaved meadow-sweet

Virginia spiraea

Great Plains ladies'-tresses yellow nodding ladies'-tresses sweetscent ladies'-tresses Piney-woods dropseed Appalachian hedge-nettle

trailing stitchwort

Cumberland featherbells

Sullivan's coolwort

bushy aster

barrens silky aster skunk-cabbage American yew cutleaf meadow parsnip Ammon's tortula fragile tortula sticky false asphodel coastal false-asphodel

tufted club-rush
running glade clover
buffalo clover
trailing trillium
narrow-leaved trillium
least trillium
southern nodding trillium
Tennessee trillium
horned bladderwort

purpletop tridens

mayberry

sessile water-speedwell marsh-speedwell

softleaf arrow-wood

rock grape

coastal-plain yellow-eyed-grass fringed yellow-eyed-grass

Tennessee yellow-eyed-grass

white camas

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-5-201 et seg. and 70-8-301 et seg.

I certify that this is an accurate and complete copy of rulemaking hearing rules, lawfully promulgated and adopted by the Commissioner on (mm/dd/yyyy), and is in compliance with the provisions of T.C.A. § 4-5-222.		
I further certify the following:		
Notice of Rulemaking Hearing filed with the Department of State on: 09/09/19		
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Signature: Name of Officer: David W. Salyers, P.E. Title of Officer: Commissioner OF TENNESSEE NOTARY PUBLIC Notary Public Signature: My commission expires on: Pythology My commission expires on:		
Pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 70-8-305 and 70-8-313, I have reviewed and concur with the additions and deletions to the list of endangered species. Dr. Charlie Hatcher, Commissioner Department of Agriculture		
Agency/Board/Commission: Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Conservation		
Rule Chapter Number(s): 0400-06-02		
All rulemaking hearing rules provided for herein have been examined by the Attorney General and Reporter of the State of Tennessee and are approved as to legality pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act, Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5. Herbert H. Slatery III Attorney General and Reporter Attorney General and Reporter		

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Public Hearing Comments

One copy of a document that satisfies T.C.A. § 4-5-222 must accompany the filing.

Comment:

In the Departments response to comments would you list the geography, topography, and typical habitat, etc. for the plants that were added or removed from the list.

Our goal for your responses would be to assist in informing ordinary citizens, so they can be aware of where these plants are found in the state, so they may be sensitive to where they might encounter these plants. Obviously, we want people to remain sensitive to the plant types that are being removed; otherwise they will end back up on the list.

Response:

The requested information is provided for the plants that were added to the list:

Latin Name: Blephilia subnuda

Common name: Cumberland pagoda-plant

Location: Franklin County. Tennessee

Habitat/Topography: Limestone outcrop woodlands of the Cumberland Plateau

Latin name: Helianthemum canadense

Common name: Canada frostweed

Location: Monroe, Blount, and Sevier Counties, Tennessee

Habitat/Topography: Dry ridges in the mountains

Fact: This species was removed from the list in 2016 because the populations had not been seen

in many years but the site in Blount county was rediscovered in 2018.

Latin name: Schoenoplectus subterminalis

Common name: swaying bulrush

Location: Cumberland County, Tennessee Habitat/Topography: In the Caney Fork River

Latin name: Stachys appalachiana Location: Johnson County, Tennessee Habitat/Topography: Bogs of Shady valley Common name: Appalachian hedge-nettle

The requested information is provided for the plants that were removed from the list:

Latin name: Allium stellatum

Common name: glade onion

Habitat/Topography: cedar glades of middle Tennessee

Fact: The removal of this species is due to a realization that the few locations in Rutherford and Wilson counties where we have been using this name are actually the same as an undescribed entity which is frequently found on middle Tennessee cedar glades. The two are very similar and early workers didn't realize that what they were seeing was something new. Allium stellatum is not known to occur in Tennessee.

Latin name: Melanthium woodii

Common name: Ozark bunchflower

Location: Wayne, Hickman, Clay, Franklin, Grundy, Campbell and Morgan Counties, Tennessee

Habitat/Topography: Dry woods on slopes that face south and west.

Fact: In recent years much work has been conducted in these habitats and many more plants

have been found.

Latin name: Stellaria longifolia

Common name: longleaf stitchwort

Location: Stewart, Johnson, Carter and Blount counties.

Habitat/Topography: Bogs and meadows

Latin name: Symphyotrichum prealtum

Common name: willow aster

Location: Davidson, Johnson, Shelby, Carroll and Fayette counties, Tennessee

Habitat/Topography: Wet areas near rivers, bogs

Regulatory Flexibility Addendum

Pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 4-5-401 through 4-5-404, prior to initiating the rule making process, all agencies shall conduct a review of whether a proposed rule or rule affects small business.

- (1) The type or types of small business and an identification and estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed rule that would bear the cost of, or directly benefit from the proposed rule.
 - There are no changes to the costs or benefits to small businesses in the proposed rule changes.
- (2) The projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed rule, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparation of the report or record.
 - There are no changes to reporting or recordkeeping in the proposed rule changes.
- (3) A statement of the probable effect on impacted small businesses and consumers.
 - No effect on businesses or consumers is expected.
- (4) A description of any less burdensome, less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose and objectives of the proposed rule that may exist, and to what extent the alternative means might be less burdensome to small business.
 - Any measures less burdensome would not achieve the purpose of the rule.
- (5) A comparison of the proposed rule with any federal or state counterparts.
 - The Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 USC. 1531-1544) and the federal regulations promulgated thereunder provide special protection for species of plants that have been found to be endangered nationally. The Rare Plant Protection Act of 1985 (Tenn. Code Ann. § 70-8-301, et seq.) and the rules promulgated thereunder provide protection for plants found in Tennessee that are protected under the federal law and also protects additional species that have been found in Tennessee and are endangered but that may or may not be protected under federal law.
- (6) Analysis of the effect of the possible exemption of small businesses from all or any part of the requirements contained in the proposed rule.
 - There are no additional requirements in the rule changes.

Impact on Local Governments

Pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 4-5-220 and 4-5-228 "any rule proposed to be promulgated shall state in a simple declarative sentence, without additional comments on the merits of the policy of the rules or regulation, whether the rule or regulation may have a projected impact on local governments." (See Public Chapter Number 1070 (http://publications.tnsosfiles.com/acts/106/pub/pc1070.pdf) of the 2010 Session of the General Assembly)

The Department does not anticipate that these amended rules will have a financial impact on local governments.

Additional Information Required by Joint Government Operations Committee

All agencies, upon filing a rule, must also submit the following pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-226(i)(1).

(A) A brief summary of the rule and a description of all relevant changes in previous regulations effectuated by such rule:

This rulemaking includes modifications to Chapter 0400-06-02, Rare Plant Protection and Conservation Regulations, that remove some plants from the list, add some plants to the list and correct scientific names for some plants on the list.

(B) A citation to and brief description of any federal law or regulation or any state law or regulation mandating promulgation of such rule or establishing guidelines relevant thereto;

The Rare Plant Protection Act of 1985 (T.C.A. § 70-8-301 et seq.) sets forth guidelines for establishing a rare plant list and maintaining a program to monitor the trade in endangered plant species.

(C) Identification of persons, organizations, corporations or governmental entities most directly affected by this rule, and whether those persons, organizations, corporations or governmental entities urge adoption or rejection of this rule;

Rare plant dealers would be the only entities that could potentially be affected. However, the Division of Natural Areas has no knowledge that any of the newly listed plants have been traded to date. Public notice was provided, but no comments were received from dealers or other stakeholders.

(D) Identification of any opinions of the attorney general and reporter or any judicial ruling that directly relates to the rule or the necessity to promulgate the rule;

The Department is not aware of any.

(E) An estimate of the probable increase or decrease in state and local government revenues and expenditures, if any, resulting from the promulgation of this rule, and assumptions and reasoning upon which the estimate is based. An agency shall not state that the fiscal impact is minimal if the fiscal impact is more than two percent (2%) of the agency's annual budget or five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), whichever is less;

The Department does not expect any increase or decrease in revenues or expenditures because there are no fees associated with this rule.

(F) Identification of the appropriate agency representative or representatives, possessing substantial knowledge and understanding of the rule;

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(G) Identification of the appropriate agency representative or representatives who will explain the rule at a scheduled meeting of the committees;

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Office of General Counsel

(H) Office address, telephone number, and email address of the agency representative or representatives who will explain the rule at a scheduled meeting of the committees; and

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(I) Any additional information relevant to the rule proposed for continuation that the committee requests.

Economic Impact Statement [Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-33-104(b)]

(1) A description of the action proposed, the purpose of the action, the legal authority for the action and the plan for implementing the action.

Updating the Tennessee Endangered Plant list is the proposed action and that involves removing plant species from or adding plant species to the list through a rule change. The purpose of the action is to update the status of endangered plants on the list based on the most up to date data and observations The Rare Plant Protection Act of 1985 (T.C.A. § 70-8-301 et seq.) sets forth guidelines for establishing a rare plant list and maintaining it.

(2) A determination that the action is the least-cost method for achieving the stated purpose.

A rule change is the only method available for the action.

(3) A comparison of the cost-benefit relation of the action to nonaction.

No revenue expenditures are associated with this action.

(4) A determination that the action represents the most efficient allocation of public and private resources.

A rule change is the only method available for the action.

(5) A determination of the effect of the action on competition.

No effect on competition is expected.

(6) A determination of the effect of the action on the cost of living in the geographical area in which the action would occur.

No effect on the cost of living is expected

(7) A determination of the effect of the action on employment in the geographical area in which the action would occur.

No effect on employment is expected.

(8) The source of revenue to be used for the action.

This rulemaking was funded using existing revenue.

(9) A conclusion as to the economic impact upon all persons substantially affected by the action, including an analysis containing a description as to which persons will bear the costs of the action and which persons will benefit directly and indirectly from the action.

No economic impact is expected from this action.

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Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-229, any new fee or fee increase promulgated by state agency rule shall take effect on July 1, following the expiration of the ninety (90) day period as provided in § 4-5-207. This section shall not apply to rules that implement new fees or fee increases that are promulgated as emergency rules pursuant to § 4-5-208(a) and to subsequent rules that make permanent such emergency rules, as amended during the rulemaking process. In addition, this section shall not apply to state agencies that did not, during the preceding two (2) fiscal years, collect fees in an amount sufficient to pay the cost of operating the board, commission or entity in accordance with § 4-29-121(b).

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Rule(s) (**ALL** chapters and rules contained in filing must be listed here. If needed, copy and paste additional tables to accommodate multiple chapters. Please make sure that **ALL** new rule and repealed rule numbers are listed in the chart below. Please enter only **ONE** Rule Number/Rule Title per row)

Chapter Number	Chapter Title	
0400-06-02	Rare Plant Protection and Conservation Regulations	
Rule Number	Rule Title	
0400-06-0204	List of Endangered Species	

Place substance of rules and other info here. Please be sure to include a detailed explanation of the changes being made to the listed rule(s). Statutory authority must be given for each rule change. For information on formatting rules go to

https://sos.tn.gov/products/division-publications/rulemaking-guidelines.

Chapter 0400-06-02 Rare Plant Protection and Conservation Regulations

Amendment

Rule 0400-06-02-.04 List of Endangered Species is amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the following new Rule 0400-06-02-.04 List of Endangered Species to read as follows:

0400-06-02-.04 List of Endangered Species.

The endangered plant list of Tennessee includes the following:

Latin Name Common Name

Aconitum reclinatum A. Gray
Agalinis auriculata (Michx.) Blake
Agalinis decemloba (Greene) Pennel
Agalinis heterophylla (Nutt.) Small ex Britton
Agalinis oligophylla Pennell

Agalinis plukenetii (Ell.) Raf Allium stellatum Fraser Anemone caroliniana Walt. Apios priceana Robbins

Arenaria lanuginosa (Michx.) Rohrback Aristida ramosissima Engelm. ex Gray Asplenium scolopendrium L. var. americanum

(Fern.) Kartesz & Gandhi

Astragalus bibullatus Barneby and Bridges
Betula papyrifera Marsh var. cordifolia (Regel) Fern.

Blephilia subnuda Simmers & Kral

Boechera patens (Sull.) Al-Shehbaz

Boechera perstellata (E. L. Braun) Al-Shehbaz

Brachydontium trichodes (Web.) Milde

Botrvchium simplex E. Hitchc.

Bulbostylis ciliatifolia (Ell.) Fern. var. coarctata (Ell.) Kral capillary hairsedge

Calamagrostis cainii Hitchcock Calamagrostis porteri A. Gray

Caltha palustris L.

Carex barrattii Schweinitz and Torr.

Carex buxbaumii Wahlenb.

Carex canescens L. ssp. disjuncta Fern.

Carex fumosimontana Estes Carex interior L. H. Bailey

Carex lonchocarpa Willd. ex Spreng.

Carex manhartii Bryson

Carex muskingumensis Schweinitz

Carex pellita Willd. Carex tetanica Schkuhr

Cephaloziella messalongi (Spruce) K. Muell.

Cerastium velutinum Raf. Clematis fremontii S. Wats. Clematis vinacea Floden Clematis morefieldii Kral Clethra alnifolia L.

Coeloglossum viride (L.) Hartman

trailing white monkshood ear-leaved false-foxglove ten lobe false foxglove prairie false foxglove ridge-stem false foxglove purple gerardia

glade onion

Carolina anemone Price's potato-bean wooly sandwort

branched three-awn grass

Hart's-tongue fern

Pyne's ground-plum heart-leaved paper birch Cumberland pagoda-plant

spreading rockcress
Braun's rockcress
peak moss
least moonwort
capillary hairsedge
Cain's reedgrass
Porter's reedgrass
marsh marigold
Barratt's sedge
Buxbaum's sedge

Smoky Mountain sedge

hoary sedge

inland sedge
southern long sedge
Manhart's sedge
Muskingum sedge
woolly sedge
rigid sedge
a liverwort

velvety cerastium
Fremont's Leather Flower

wine colored leatherflower Huntsville vasevine coastal pepperbush long-bracted green orchis var. virescens (Muhl. ex Willd.) Luer

Collinsia verna Nutt.

Comptonia peregrina (L.) Coulter

Coreopsis latifolia Michx. Crataegus harbisonii Beadle Cypripedium kentuckiense Reed Cypripedium reginae Walt. Dalea foliosa (A. Gray) Barneby

Dalea purpurea Vent. Delphinium exaltatum Ait.

Desmodium ochroleucum M.A. Curtis ex Canby

Diamorpha smallii Britt.

Dichanthelium acuminatum ssp. spretum (Schult.) Freckmann & Lelong Dichanthelium ensifolium ssp. curtifolium

(Nash) Freckmann & Lelong Echinacea pallida (Nutt.) Nutt.

Eleocharis elliptica Kunth

Eleocharis equisetoides (Ell.) Torr. Eleocharis intermedia J.A. Schultes

Eleocharis wolfii A. Grav Eriocaulon decangulare L. Eriogonum harperi Goodman Eriophorum virginicum L.

Erysimum capitatum (Dougl.) Greene

Eupatorium leucolepis (DC.) Torr. and A. Gray Eurybia saxicastelli (J. J. N. Campbell & Medley)

G. L. Nesom

Euthamia gymnospermoides Green Fimbristylis perpusilla Harper Gentiana puberulenta J.S. Pringle

Geum aleppicum Jacq. Geum geniculatum Michx. Geum radiatum Michx. Glyceria laxa (Scribn.) Scribn. Gratiola floridana Nutt.

Hedyotis purpurea (L.) Torr. & A.Gray var. montana (Small) Fosberg Helenium brevifolium (Nutt.) Wood Helianthemum canadense (L.) Michx. Helianthemum propinguum E.P. Bicknell

Helianthus verticillatus Small

Homaliadelphus sharpii (Williams) Sharp

Hydrocotyle americana L. Hypericum adpressum Barton Hypericum ellipticum Hook. Hypericum graveolens Bickl.

Iris brevicaulis Raf.

Isoetes appalachiana D.F.Brunton & D.M.Britton

Isoetes melanopoda Gay and Durieu

Isoetes tennesseensis N.T. Luebke & J.M. Budke

Isotria medeoloides (Pursh) Raf. Lachnanthes caroliana (Lam.)

Lechea pulchella Raf.

Lejeunea sharpii (Schust.) Schust.

Leptodontium viticulosoides var. sulphureum

(Müller Hal.) R. H. Zander

Leptohymenium sharpii (Crum & Anders.) Buck & Crum Mount Le Conte moss Leptoscyphus cuneifolius (Hook.) Mitt.

Lilium grayi S. Wats.

blue-eyed Mary sweet-fern

broad-leaved tickseed Harbison's hawthorn southern lady's-slipper showy lady's-slipper leafy prairie-clover purple prairie-clover

tall larkspur

creamflower tick-trefoil Small's stonecrop Eaton's witchgrass

short-leaved panic grass

pale purple coneflower elliptic spike rush horse-tail spike-rush matted spike rush Wolf's spike rush ten-angle pipewort Harper's umbrella-plant tawny cotton grass western wallflower

white-bracted thoroughwort

Rockcastle aster

Great Plains goldentop Harper's fimbristylis prairie gentian vellow avens bent avens spreading avens limp manna grass Florida hedge-hyssop Roan Mountain bluet

shortleaf sneezeweed Canada frostweed low frostweed

whorled sunflower

Sharp's homaliadelphus moss American water-pennywort creeping St. John's-wort pale St. John's-wort mountain St. John's-wort

Lamance iris

Appalachian quillwort blackfoot quillwort Hiwassee quillwort small whorled pogonia Carolina redroot Leggett's pinweed Sharp's lejeunia

Grandfather Mountain leptodontium

a liverwort

Gray's lily

Lilium philadelphicum L. Listera australis Lindl.

Lithospermum parviflorum Weakley, Witsell & D. Estes Lithospermum subsetosum

(Mack. & Bush) Weakley, Witsell, & D. Estes Lonicera prolifera (Kirchner) Rehder

Lysimachia fraseri Duby Lysimachia quadriflora Sims Lysimachia terrestris (L.) BSP.

Maianthemum stellatum (L.) Link

Marshallia grandiflora Beadle and Boynton Marshallia obovata (Walt.) Beadle & F.E. Boynton

Marsupella funckii (Web. & Mohr) Dumort.

Melanthium latifolium Desr. Melanthium virginicum L.

Melanthium woodii (J.W. Robbins ex Wood) Bodkin

Minuartia cumberlandensis (Wofford & Kral) McNeill Minuartia godfreyi (Shinners) McNeill Minuartia groenlandica (Retzius) Ostenfeld Muhlenbergia cuspidata (Torr.) Rydb.

Muhlenbergia torrevana (Shult.) Hitchcock Myriophyllum pinnatum (Walt.) B.S.P.

Nabalis asper (Michx.) Torr. & A. Gray

Nestronia umbellula Raf.

Packera crawfordii (Britt.) A.M. Mahoney & R.R. Lowal Patis racemoss

(Sm.) Romasch., P.M. Peterson & R. J. Soreng Paxistima canbyi A. Gray

Paysonia perforata (Rollins) O'Kane & Al-Shehbaz Paysonia stonensis (Rollins) O'Kane & Al-Shehbaz

Penstemon kralii D. Estes

Perideridia americana (Nutt. ex DC.) Reichenb.

Phegopteris connectilis (Michx.) Watt Physaria globosa (Desv.) O'Kane Pityopsis ruthii (Small) Small Plantago cordata Lam.

Platanthera grandiflora (Bigelow) Lindl. Platanthera integra (Nutt.) A. Gray ex Beck Platanthera integrilabia (Correll) Luer

Platanthera nivea (Nutt.) Luer

Poa palustris L.

Pogonia ophioglossoides (L.)Ker-Gawl.

Polygala nana (Michx.) DC. Polygala nuttallii Torr. and A. Gray Polygonella americana (Fisch, and Mey) Ponthieva racemosa (Walt.) Mohr

Porella gracillima Prunus pumila L.

Pycnanthemum beadlei (Small) Fern.

Pycnanthemum torrei Benth.

Pycnanthemum verticillatum (Michx.) Pers.

Pyrola americana Sweet

Ranunculus aquatilis var. diffusus Withering

Rhamnus alnifolia L'Hér. Rhynchospora capillacea Torr. Rhynchospora debilis Gale Rhynchospora rariflora (Michx.) Ell.

Rudbeckia triloba var. beadlei (Small) Fernald

Rugelia nudicaulis Shuttlw. ex Chapman

Sabatia capitata (Raf.) Blake

wood lilv

southern twayblade softhair marbleseed smooth false gromwell

grape honeysuckle Fraser's loosestrife

fourflower yellow loosestrife

swamp loosestrife

starflower false solomom's-seal large-flowered Barbara's-buttons spoonshape Barbara's buttons

a liverwort

broadleaf bunchflower Virginia bunchflower Ozark bunchflower

Cumberland sandwort Godfrey's stitchwort mountain sandwort

plains muhly Torrev's dropseed cutleaf Watermilfoil rough rattlesnake root coniurer's nut

Crawford's ragwort mountain ricegrass

Canby's mountain-lover Spring Creek bladderpod Stones River bladderpod Kral's beardtongue thicket parsley long beech fern globe bladderpod Ruth's golden-aster heart-leaved plantain large purple fringed orchid yellow fringeless orchid white fringeless orchid snowy orchid

owl bluegrass rose pogonia dwarf milkwort Nuttall's milkwort small southern jointweed

shadow-witch hot porella sand cherry

Beadle's mountain mint Torrey's mountain mint whorled mountain-mint American wintergreen

eastern white water crowfoot

alderleaf buckthorn horned beak-rush savannah beak-rush few-flowered beak-rush browneyed susan Rugel's ragwort rose gentian

Sagittaria rigida Pursh Sanguisorba canadensis L. Saxifraga caroliniana A. Gray Saxifraga pensylvanica L.

Schoenoplectus subterminalis (Torr.) Soják

Scutellaria arguta Buckl. Sedum nevii A. Gray Silene ovata Pursh

Silphium brachiatum Gattinger Solidago gattingeri Chapm.

Solidago lancifolia Torr. and A. Gray

Solidago porteri Small

Solidago ptarmicoides (Nees) Bovin

Solidago rupestris Raf.

Solidago spithamaea M.A. Curtis

Sparganium androcladum (Engelm.) Morong Sphenolobopsis pearsoni (Spruce) Shust. & Kitag.

Spiraea alba DuRoi Spiraea virginiana Britt.

Spiranthes magnicamporum Sheviak Spiranthes ochroleuca (Rydb.) Rydb. Spiranthes odorata (Nutt.) Lindl. Sporobolus junceus (P.Beauv.) Kunth

Stachys appalachiana D.B. Poind. & J.B. Nelson

Stellaria alsine Grimm Stellaria longifolia Muhl.

Stenanthium diffusum Wofford

Sullivantia sullivantii (Torr. & Gray) Britt.

Symphyotrichum ericoides

(L.) G.L. Nesom var. ericoides

Symphyotrichum praealtum (Poiret) G. L. Nesom

Symphyotrichum pratense (Rafinesque) Nesom Symplocarpus foetidus (L.) Nutt.

Taxus canadensis Marsh.

Thaspium pinnatifidum (Buckley) A. Gray Tortula ammonsiana Crum & Anders.

Tortula fragilis Tayl.

Triantha glutinosa (Walter) Small Triantha racemosa (Walter) Small Tridens flavus

(L.) Hitchc. var. *chapmanii* (Small) Shinners *Trichophorum cespitosum* (L.) Hartman *Trifolium calcaricum* J.L. Collins & Wieboldt *Trifolium reflexum* L.

Trillium decumbens Harbison

Trillium lancifolium Raf. Trillium pusillum Michx.

Trillium rugelii Rendle

Trillium tennesseense E.E. Schill. & Floden

Utricularia cornuta Michx.
Vaccinium elliottii Chapm.
Veronica catenata Pennell
Veronica scutellata L.
Viburnum molle Michx.
Vitis rupestris Scheele

Xyris ambigua Beyr. ex. Kunth.

Xvris fimbriata Ell.

Xyris tennesseensis R. Kral Zigadenus glaucus Nutt.

sessile-fruited arrowhead

canada burnet Carolina saxifrage swamp saxifrage

swaying bulrush

hairy scullcap Nevius' stonecrop ovate catchfly

Cumberland rosinweed
Gattinger's goldenrod
broadleaf goldenrod
Porter's goldenrod
prairie goldenrod
rock goldenrod

Blue Ridge goldenrod branching bur-reed

a liverwort

narrow-leaved meadow-sweet

Virginia spiraea

Great Plains ladies'-tresses yellow nodding ladies'-tresses sweetscent ladies'-tresses Piney-woods dropseed

Appalachian hedge-nettle

trailing stitchwort

Cumberland featherbells

Sullivan's coolwort bushy aster

willow aster

barrens silky aster skunk-cabbage American yew cutleaf meadow parsnip Ammon's tortula fragile tortula sticky false asphodel coastal false-asphodel purpletop tridens

tufted club-rush
running glade clover
buffalo clover
trailing trillium
narrow-leaved trillium
least trillium
southern nodding trillium
Tennessee trillium
horned bladderwort
mayberry
sessile water-speedwell
marsh-speedwell
softleaf arrow-wood
rock grape
coastal-plain yellow-eyed

coastal-plain yellow-eyed-grass fringed yellow-eyed-grass Tennessee yellow-eyed-grass

white camas

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-5-201 et seq. and 70-8-301 et seq.

I further certify the following:			
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Agency/Board/Commission: Commissioner of the I	Department of	Environment and Con	servation
Rule Chapter Number(s): 0400-06-02			
All rulemaking hearing rules provided for herein have State of Tennessee and are approved as to legality po Act, Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5.	been examine ursuant to the	by the Attorney Gen rovisions of the Admi	eral and Reporter of the nistrative Procedures
		Attorney	Herbert H. Slatery III General and Reporter
			Date

I certify that this is an accurate and complete copy of rulemaking hearing rules, lawfully promulgated and adopted by the Commissioner on $\underline{12/18/2019}$, and is in compliance with the provisions of T.C.A. § 4-5-222.

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Public Hearing Comments

One copy of a document that satisfies T.C.A. § 4-5-222 must accompany the filing.

Comment:

In the Departments response to comments would you list the geography, topography, and typical habitat, etc. for the plants that were added or removed from the list.

Our goal for your responses would be to assist in informing ordinary citizens, so they can be aware of where these plants are found in the state, so they may be sensitive to where they might encounter these plants. Obviously, we want people to remain sensitive to the plant types that are

being removed; otherwise they will end back up on the list.

Response: The requested information is provided for the plants that were added to the list:

Latin Name: Blephilia subnuda Common name: Cumberland pagoda-plant

Location: Franklin County, Tennessee

Habitat/Topography: Limestone outcrop woodlands of the Cumberland Plateau

Latin name: Helianthemum canadense Common name: Canada frostweed

Location: Monroe, Blount, and Sevier Counties, Tennessee

Habitat/Topography: Dry ridges in the mountains

Fact: This species was removed from the list in 2016 because the populations had not been seen

in many years but the site in Blount county was rediscovered in 2018.

Latin name: Schoenoplectus subterminalis Common name: swaying bulrush

Location: Cumberland County, Tennessee Habitat/Topography: In the Caney Fork River

Latin name: Stachys appalachiana Common name: Appalachian hedge-nettle

Location: Johnson County, Tennessee Habitat/Topography: Bogs of Shady valley

The requested information is provided for the plants that were removed from the list:

Latin name: Allium stellatum Common name: glade onion

Habitat/Topography: cedar glades of middle Tennessee

Fact: The removal of this species is due to a realization that the few locations in Rutherford and Wilson counties where we have been using this name are actually the same as an undescribed entity which is frequently found on middle Tennessee cedar glades. The two are very similar and early workers didn't realize that what they were seeing was something new. Allium stellatum is not known to occur in Tennessee.

Latin name: Melanthium woodii Common name: Ozark bunchflower

Location: Wayne, Hickman, Clay, Franklin, Grundy, Campbell and Morgan Counties, Tennessee

Habitat/Topography: Dry woods on slopes that face south and west.

Fact: In recent years much work has been conducted in these habitats and many more plants

have been found.

Latin name: Stellaria longifolia Common name: longleaf stitchwort

Location: Stewart, Johnson, Carter and Blount counties.

Habitat/Topography: Bogs and meadows

Latin name: Symphyotrichum prealtum Common name: willow aster Location: Davidson, Johnson, Shelby, Carroll and Fayette counties, Tennessee

Habitat/Topography: Wet areas near rivers, bogs

Regulatory Flexibility Addendum

Pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 4-5-401 through 4-5-404, prior to initiating the rule making process, all agencies shall conduct a review of whether a proposed rule or rule affects small business.

- (1) The type or types of small business and an identification and estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed rule that would bear the cost of, or directly benefit from the proposed rule.
 - There are no changes to the costs or benefits to small businesses in the proposed rule changes.
- (2) The projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed rule, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparation of the report or record.
 - There are no changes to reporting or recordkeeping in the proposed rule changes.
- (3) A statement of the probable effect on impacted small businesses and consumers.
 - No effect on businesses or consumers is expected.
- (4) A description of any less burdensome, less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose and objectives of the proposed rule that may exist, and to what extent the alternative means might be less burdensome to small business.
 - Any measures less burdensome would not achieve the purpose of the rule.
- (5) A comparison of the proposed rule with any federal or state counterparts.
 - The Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 USC. 1531-1544) and the federal regulations promulgated thereunder provide special protection for species of plants that have been found to be endangered nationally. The Rare Plant Protection Act of 1985 (Tenn. Code Ann. § 70-8-301, et seq.) and the rules promulgated thereunder provide protection for plants found in Tennessee that are protected under the federal law and also protects additional species that have been found in Tennessee and are endangered but that may or may not be protected under federal law.
- (6) Analysis of the effect of the possible exemption of small businesses from all or any part of the requirements contained in the proposed rule.
 - There are no additional requirements in the rule changes.

Impact on Local Governments

Pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 4-5-220 and 4-5-228 "any rule proposed to be promulgated shall state in a simple declarative sentence, without additional comments on the merits of the policy of the rules or regulation, whether the rule or regulation may have a projected impact on local governments." (See Public Chapter Number 1070 (http://publications.tnsosfiles.com/acts/106/pub/pc1070.pdf) of the 2010 Session of the General Assembly)

The Department does not anticipate that these amended rules will have a financial impact on local governments.

Additional Information Required by Joint Government Operations Committee

All agencies, upon filing a rule, must also submit the following pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-226(i)(1).

(A) A brief summary of the rule and a description of all relevant changes in previous regulations effectuated by such rule:

This rulemaking includes modifications to Chapter 0400-06-02, Rare Plant Protection and Conservation Regulations, that remove some plants from the list, add some plants to the list and correct scientific names for some plants on the list.

(B) A citation to and brief description of any federal law or regulation or any state law or regulation mandating promulgation of such rule or establishing guidelines relevant thereto;

The Rare Plant Protection Act of 1985 (T.C.A. § 70-8-301 et seq.) sets forth guidelines for establishing a rare plant list and maintaining a program to monitor the trade in endangered plant species.

(C) Identification of persons, organizations, corporations or governmental entities most directly affected by this rule, and whether those persons, organizations, corporations or governmental entities urge adoption or rejection of this rule;

Rare plant dealers would be the only entities that could potentially be affected. However, the Division of Natural Areas has no knowledge that any of the newly listed plants have been traded to date. Public notice was provided, but no comments were received from dealers or other stakeholders.

(D) Identification of any opinions of the attorney general and reporter or any judicial ruling that directly relates to the rule or the necessity to promulgate the rule;

The Department is not aware of any.

(E) An estimate of the probable increase or decrease in state and local government revenues and expenditures, if any, resulting from the promulgation of this rule, and assumptions and reasoning upon which the estimate is based. An agency shall not state that the fiscal impact is minimal if the fiscal impact is more than two percent (2%) of the agency's annual budget or five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), whichever is less;

The Department does not expect any increase or decrease in revenues or expenditures because there are no fees associated with this rule.

(F) Identification of the appropriate agency representative or representatives, possessing substantial knowledge and understanding of the rule;

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(G) Identification of the appropriate agency representative or representatives who will explain the rule at a scheduled meeting of the committees;

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Office of General Counsel

(H) Office address, telephone number, and email address of the agency representative or representatives who will explain the rule at a scheduled meeting of the committees; and

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(I) Any additional information relevant to the rule proposed for continuation that the committee requests.

Economic Impact Statement [Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-33-104(b)]

(1) A description of the action proposed, the purpose of the action, the legal authority for the action and the plan for implementing the action.

Updating the Tennessee Endangered Plant list is the proposed action and that involves removing plant species from or adding plant species to the list through a rule change. The purpose of the action is to update the status of endangered plants on the list based on the most up to date data and observations The Rare Plant Protection Act of 1985 (T.C.A. § 70-8-301 et seq.) sets forth guidelines for establishing a rare plant list and maintaining it.

(2) A determination that the action is the least-cost method for achieving the stated purpose.

A rule change is the only method available for the action.

(3) A comparison of the cost-benefit relation of the action to nonaction.

No revenue expenditures are associated with this action.

(4) A determination that the action represents the most efficient allocation of public and private resources.

A rule change is the only method available for the action.

(5) A determination of the effect of the action on competition.

No effect on competition is expected.

(6) A determination of the effect of the action on the cost of living in the geographical area in which the action would occur.

No effect on the cost of living is expected

(7) A determination of the effect of the action on employment in the geographical area in which the action would occur.

No effect on employment is expected.

(8) The source of revenue to be used for the action.

This rulemaking was funded using existing revenue.

(9) A conclusion as to the economic impact upon all persons substantially affected by the action, including an analysis containing a description as to which persons will bear the costs of the action and which persons will benefit directly and indirectly from the action.

No economic impact is expected from this action.