

Uplands

Upland habitat occurs in the hilly areas in western and central Louisiana. While bogs with water can sometimes occur in lower areas of the uplands, this habitat is characterized most often by having no water. Longleaf pine is the dominant overstory species, and in locations where fire has frequently occurred, it is often the only canopy species. Other plant species in this habitat include wax myrtle, goldenrod, and a variety of oak trees. Animals in the uplands habitat include the red cockaded woodpecker, eastern spotted skunk, king snake, eastern harvest mouse, white-tailed deer, gopher tortoise, and the bobcat.

Current threats to the Upland habitat include development, agriculture, and oil and gas drilling.