

# Pollinator Steward Certification

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## Module 1: Introduction to Pollinators

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

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# Land Acknowledgment

The land where I live and work is located in Sò mba k'è, Denendeh (Yellowknife) located in Chief Drygeese territory, traditional land of the Yellowknives Dene First Nation.



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# Meet Your PSC Instructors!



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# About Pollinator Partnership

Pollinator Partnership is the world's largest nonprofit dedicated exclusively to the health of all pollinating animals. For 26 years, our mission has been to promote the health of pollinators, critical to food and ecosystems, through conservation, education, and research.



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# More about Pollinator Partnership



## Where We Work

We work with our partners across North America and the world to preserve native and migratory pollinators and the ecosystems they support.



## Our Partners

We believe that everyone needs to be engaged to provide support for pollinators. We work with a diverse set of partners including governments, universities, private industry, and other nonprofits to make this happen.



## Our Programs

Our programs are designed to bring every stakeholder together to tackle pollinator decline and biodiversity loss.

# Programs from Pollinator Partnership:



*TheBeeMD*



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# Steps to Certification:

**Step 1)** Watch the 7-part virtual training modules live or recorded. Once complete, a short learning form must be filled out to share training takeaways.

**Step 2)** Completion of one habitat creation action and one outreach or education action. A similar short form must be filled out by the following year.



# Details to Steps:

1. After all modules are complete in April, the Step 1 form will be emailed to you to share your training takeaways.

**NOTE:** We suggest that you write down in point form or 1-2 sentences the key takeaways from each training while you are attending live.

2. After you have watched all the modules live or recorded, transfer your answers into the Step 1 form by December 31st, 2024.

**NOTE:** Participants will be expected to share training takeaways for only one of the “Habitat Creation” modules (modules 5a, b, or c).





# Details to Steps:

**3.** Step 1 is complete and you are now on Step 2. Complete your habitat and outreach actions. You may then fill out the Step 2 form describing your work and submit by September 30th, 2025.

**4.** Once both Step 1 and Step 2 forms have been submitted and approved, you will receive a certificate of completion, and the authority to use the Pollinator Steward stamp!



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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION  
**POLLINATOR STEWARD**

THIS DOCUMENT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT

**Your Name**

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Has successfully completed the requirements to become a  
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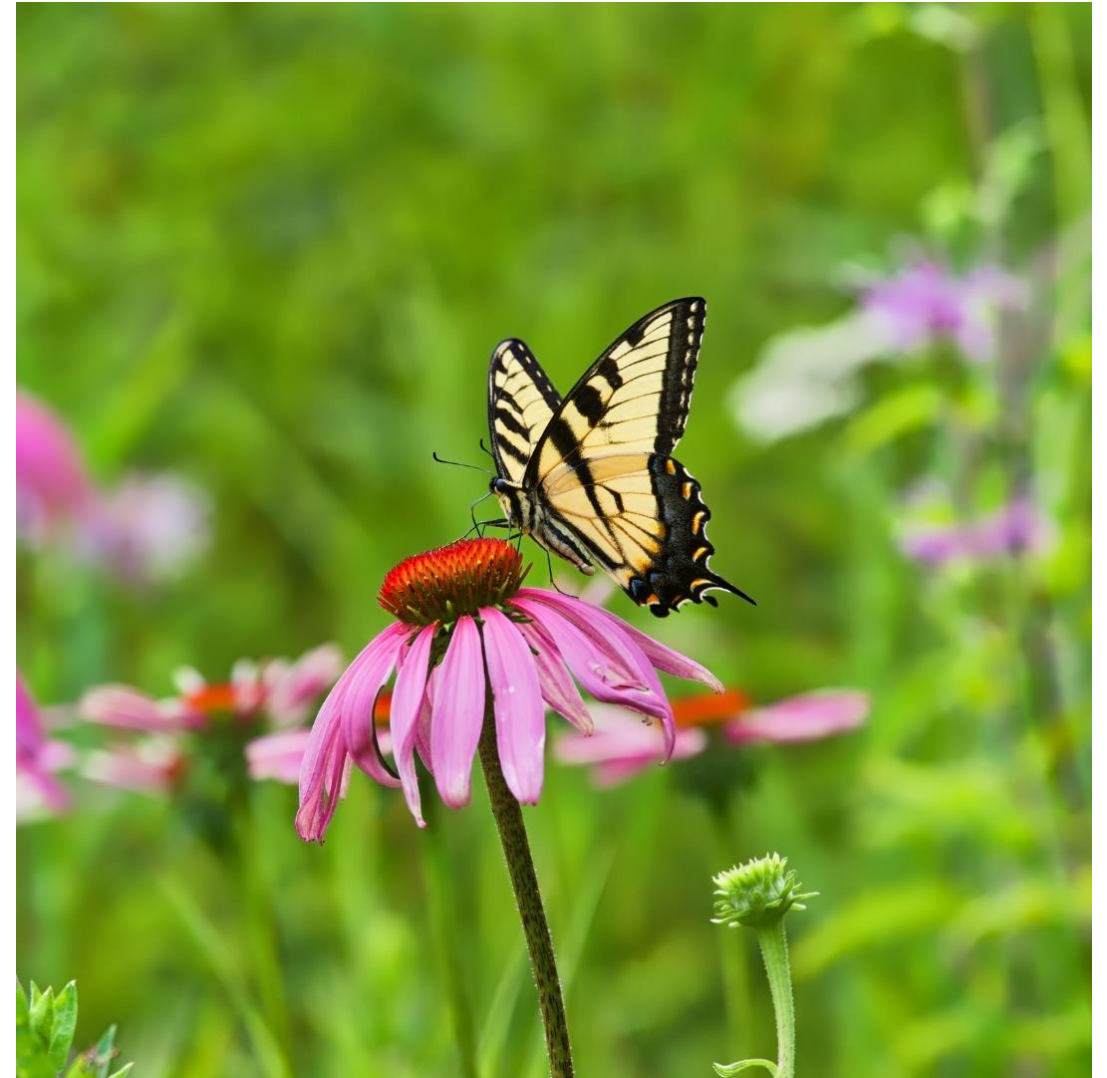
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\_\_\_\_\_ Anthony Colangelo  
Instructor

## Step 2 Habitat Actions:

- Creation of pollinator habitat; any size, any location.
- Creating pollinator and garden signage.
- Alteration of management practices to promote pollinator health.
- Email [stewards@pollinator.org](mailto:stewards@pollinator.org) if you have a question about your habitat action.



# Step 2 Outreach Actions:

- Creating pollinator and garden signage.
- Connecting with other community members and schools to spread pollinator education.
- Art/science outreach through crafts and installations.
- Email [stewards@pollinator.org](mailto:stewards@pollinator.org) if you have a question about your outreach or education action.



# Course Information Page:

The Course Information page will be your homebase for module recordings, updates, and program resources. Login to the Course Information page using the following username and password:

**website:** <https://www.pollinator.org/psc/course-info>

**username:** PollinatorSteward

**password:** psc2024

Please do not share the username and password as this page is only for registered participants of the 2024 Pollinator Steward Certification program.





## **Pollinator Steward Certification Schedule 2024**

All modules will take place at 4:00pm to 5:30pm PST / 7:00pm to 8:30pm EST

### **Session 1 – Introduction to Pollinators**

Tuesday, February 6th

### **Session 2 – Indigenous Perspectives**

Tuesday, February 13th

### **Session 3 – Butterflies and other Pollinators**

Tuesday, February 20th

### **Session 4 – Creating Habitat for Pollinators Overview**

Tuesday, February 27th

### **Session 5a – Habitat Creation: Yards, Gardens, and Balconies**

Tuesday, March 5th

### **Session 5b – Habitat Creation: Large Land Managers, Right-of-Ways, and Municipalities**

Wednesday, March 6th

### **Session 5c – Habitat Creation: Farmers, Growers, and Agricultural Landscapes**

Thursday, March 7th

### **Session 6 – Identification and Monitoring**

Tuesday, April 9th

### **Session 7 – Expand your Impact!**

Tuesday, April 16th

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# Housekeeping:

- Will start right at 7:00 pm EST. Recordings will be shared by the following week, and be available until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023
- Closed captioning is available – enable in your controls.
- Please put questions in the Q&A box; UPVOTE questions you like!
- Questions for panelists will be answered at the end of the session.
- Contact [stewards@pollinator.org](mailto:stewards@pollinator.org) for registration issues, questions, etc.
- Engage in respect and kindness with each other in the chat.
- **Tonight – the Moderator’s Choice Award for favorite question!**





Invasive species



Pesticides



Habitat loss



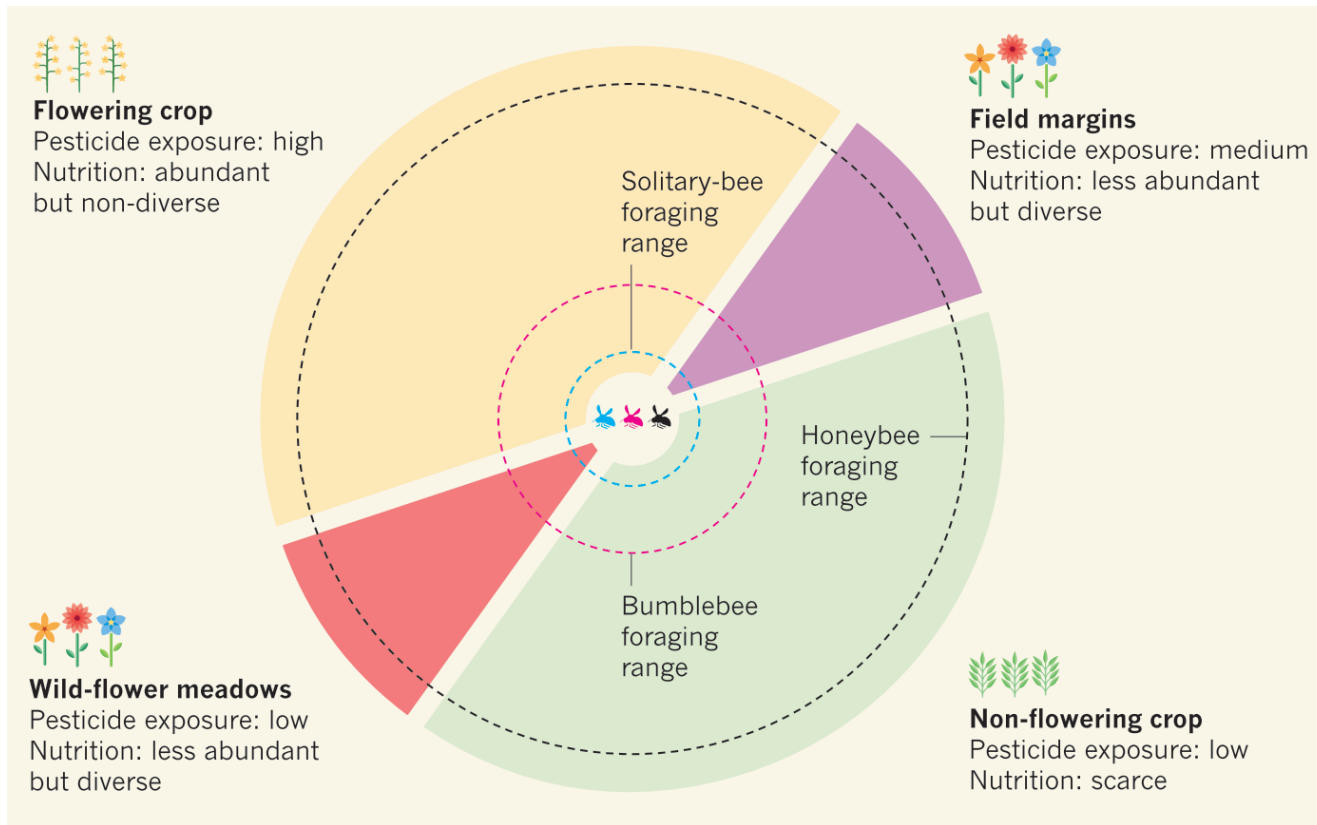
Parasites, Diseases



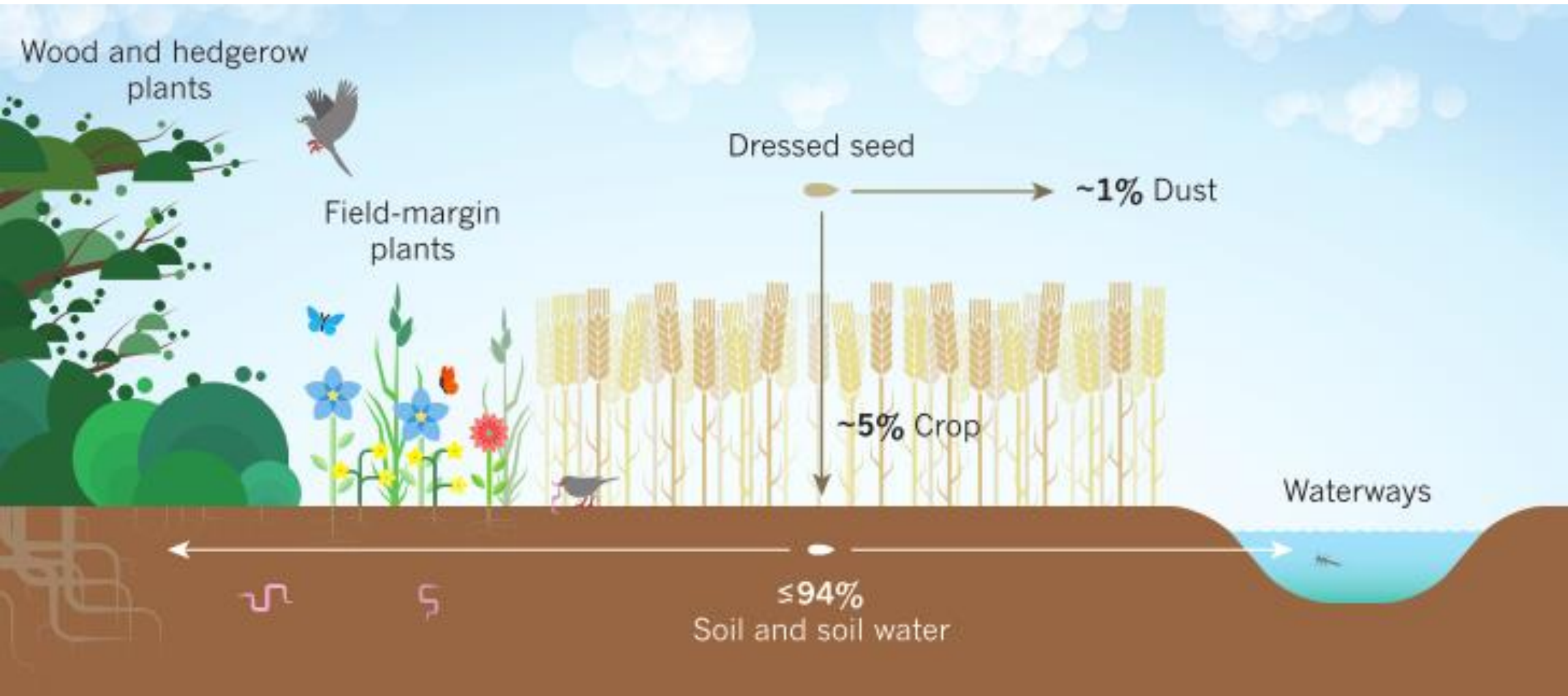
Climate change



# Habitat Loss and Fragmentation



# Pesticides Movement Through Ecosystems



# Pesticides Lethal and Sublethal Impacts

## POTENTIAL PESTICIDE IMPACTS ON BEES

Bees can be impacted lethally or sublethally by pesticides. For more information, see Recognizing and Reporting a Bee Poisoning in the Resources section on p.36.

### Lethal



increased bee death

### Sublethal



increased susceptibility to pests and diseases



alteration of gut microbiome



decreased reproduction



learning and memory impairment



impaired orientation



reduced foraging

# Parasites and Pathogens

## Mites, Viruses, Protozoans, Bacteria, Fungi, Parasitoids



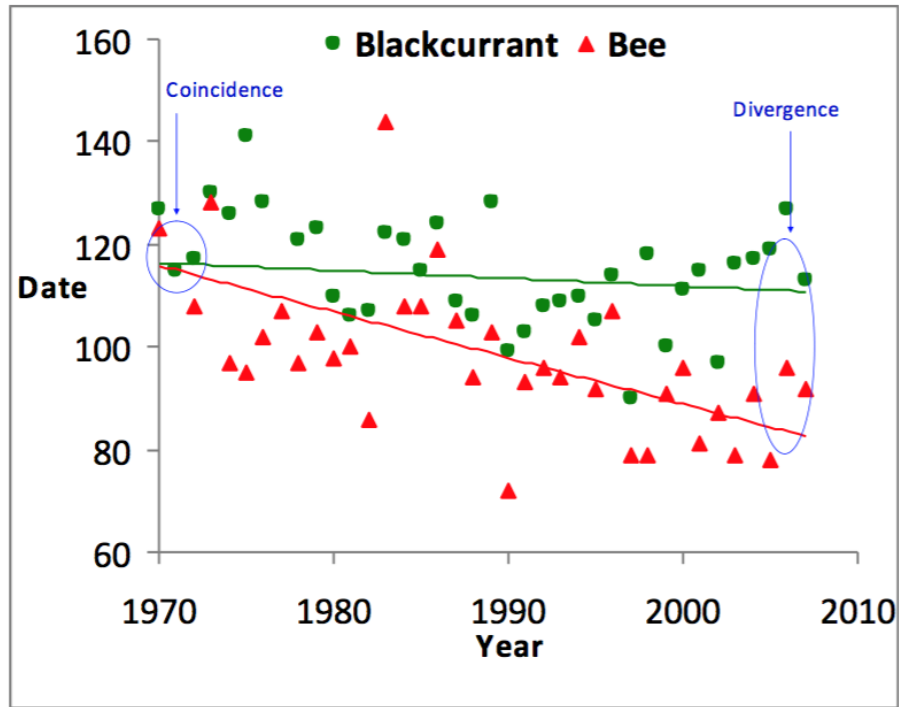
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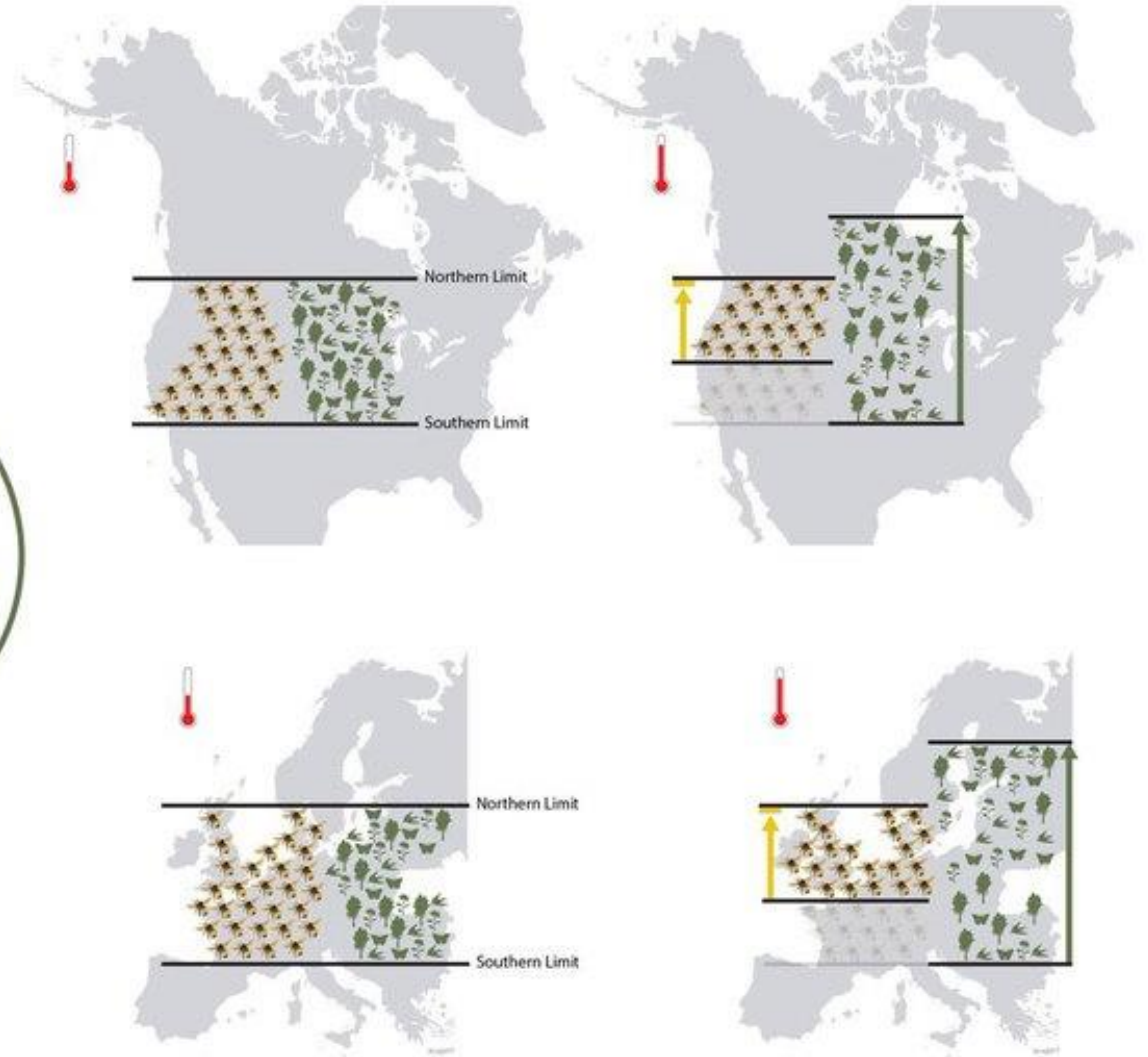
# Climate Change Effects

## Plant relationships



# Climate Change Effects

## Range Contractions



Kerr et al. 2015

# Climate Change and Migratory Pollinators



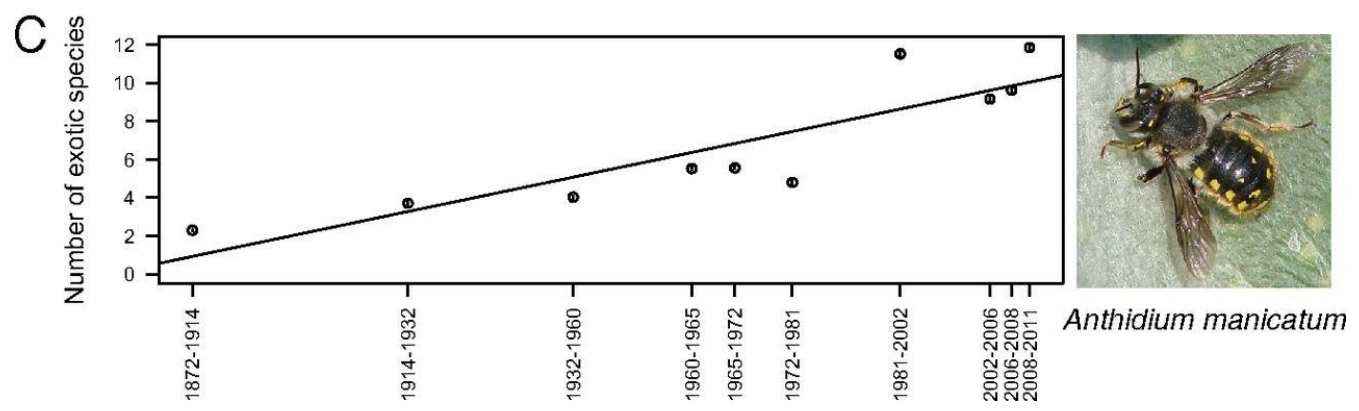
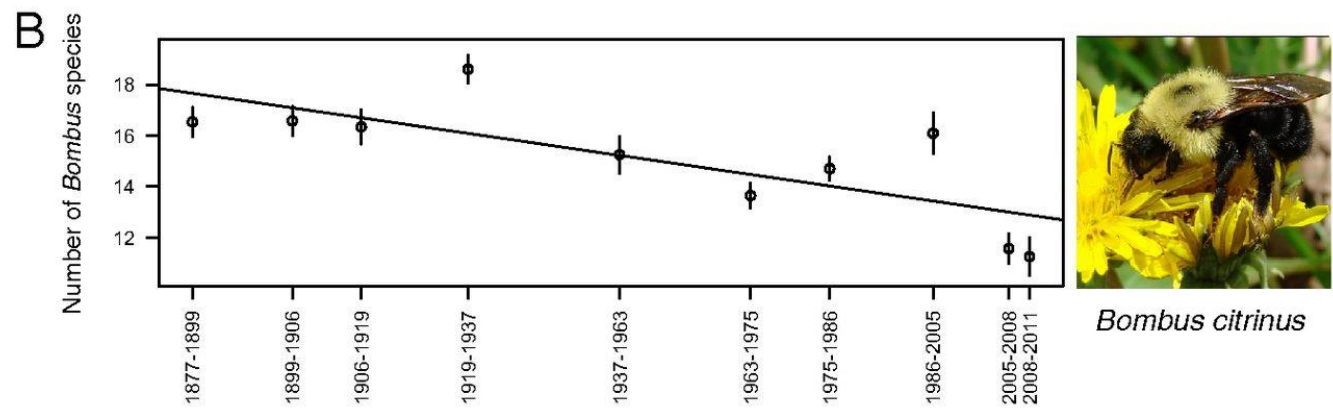
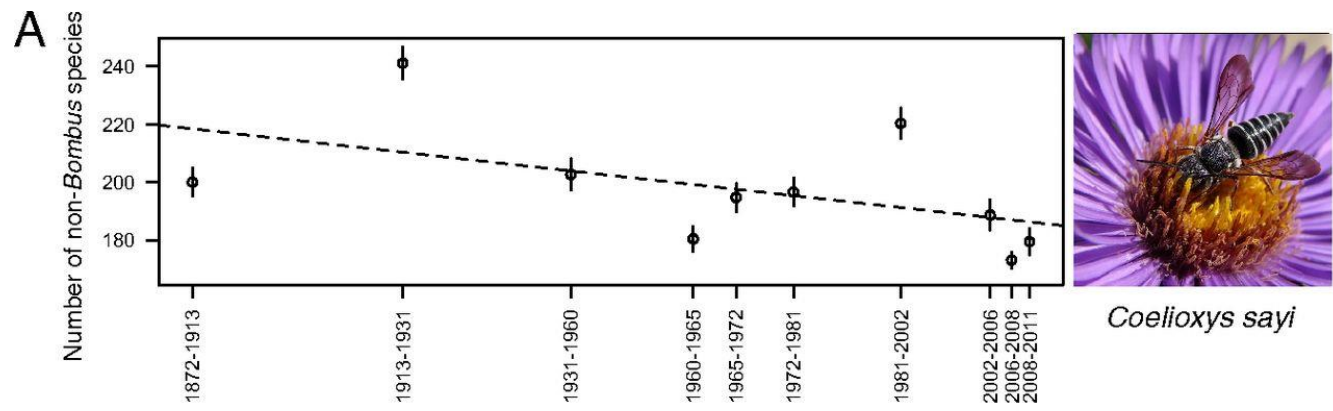
# Invasive Species

## Changing Habitat Composition

- Naturalized or invasive
- Positive, neutral or negative effects
- Disrupt plant-pollinator relationships
- Shift community composition







# Species at Risk

## COSEWIC and Species at Risk Act

Group	Number of Listed Species
Bees	2 (NS)
Bumble bees	7
Butterflies	19
Moths	20
Beetles	10
Flies	2 (YK, BC)



# Pollinators Federally-listed as Endangered or Threatened Species

## Mammals

Little Mariana fruit bat ([Pteropus tokudae](#))  
 Mariana Fruit Bat ([Pteropus mariannus mariannus](#))  
 Mexican Long-nosed Bat ([Leptonycteris nivalis](#))

## Birds

Akeke'e or Kaua'i 'Akepa or ([Loxops caeruleirostris](#))  
 'Akiapola'au ([Hemignathus wilsoni](#))  
 'Akikiki ([Oreomystis bairdi](#))  
 'Akohekohe or Crested Honeycreeper ([Palmeria dolei](#))  
 'Alala or Hawai'ian Crow ([Corvus hawaiiensis](#))  
 Bridled White-eye ([Zosterops conspicillatus conspicillatus](#))  
 Hawai'i 'Akepa ([Loxops coccineus](#))  
 Hawai'i Creeper ([Loxops mana](#)) [1]  
 'I'iwi ([Drepanis coccinea](#))  
 Kaua'i 'Akialoa ([Akialoa stejnegeri](#))  
 Kaua'i Nukupu'u ([Hemignathus hanapepe](#))  
 Kaua'i 'O'o ([Moho braccatus](#))  
 Ma'oma'o or Mao ([Gymnomyza samoensis](#))  
 Maui 'Akepa ([Loxops ochraceus](#))  
 Maui Nukupu'u ([Hemignathus affinis](#))  
 Maui Parrotbill ([Pseudonestor xanthophrys](#))  
 Moloka'i Creeper or Kakawahie ([Paroreomyza flammea](#))  
 O'ahu 'Alauahio or O'ahu Creeper ([Paroreomyza maculata](#))  
 'O'u ([Psittirostra psittacea](#))  
 Palila ([Loxioides bailleui](#))  
 Po'ouli ([Melamprosops phaeosoma](#))  
 Rota Bridled White-eye ([Zosterops rotensis](#))  
 [1] Still listed in some locations by its former scientific name, [Oreomystis mana](#)

## Bees

Anthricinan yellow-faced bee ([Hylaeus anthracinus](#))  
 Assimulans yellow-faced bee ([Hylaeus assimulans](#))  
 Easy yellow-faced bee ([Hylaeus facilis](#))  
 Hawaiian yellow-faced bee ([Hylaeus kuakea](#))  
 Hawaiian yellow-faced bee ([Hylaeus longiceps](#))  
 Hawaiian yellow-faced bee ([Hylaeus mana](#))  
 Hilaris yellow-faced bee ([Hylaeus hilaris](#))  
 Rusty patched bumble bee ([Bombus affinis](#))

## Butterflies, Skippers, and Moths

Bartram's hairstreak butterfly ([Strymon acis bartrami](#))  
 Bay Checkerspot ([Euphydryas editha bayensis](#))  
 Behren's Silverspot ([Speyeria zerene behrensii](#))  
 Blackburn's Sphinx Moth ([Manduca blackburni](#))  
 Callippe Silverspot ([Speyeria callippe callippe](#))  
 Carson Wandering Skipper ([Pseudocopaeodes eunus obscurus](#))  
 Cassius Blue ([Leptotes cassius theonus](#)) [Listed due to similarity in appearance to Miami blue.]  
 Ceraunus Blue ([Hemiargus ceraunus antibubastus](#)) [Listed due to similarity in appearance to Miami blue.]  
 Dakota Skipper ([Hesperia dacotae](#))  
 El Segundo Blue ([Euphilotes battoides allyni](#))  
 Fender's Blue ([Icaricia icarioides fenderi](#))  
 Florida leafwing ([Anaea troglodyta floridaalis](#))  
 Karner Blue ([Lycaeides melissa samuelis](#))  
 Kern Primrose Sphinx Moth ([Euproserpinus euterpe](#))  
 Laguna Mountains Skipper ([Pyrgus ruralis laqunae](#))  
 Lange's Metalmark ([Apodemia mormo lanqe](#))  
 Lotis Blue ([Lycaeides argyrognomon lotis](#))  
 Mariana eight-spot butterfly ([Hypolimnas octocula mariannensis](#))  
 Mariana wandering butterfly ([Vaagrans egestina](#))  
 Miami Blue ([Cyclargus thomasi bethunebakeri](#))  
 Misson Blue ([Icaricia icarioides missionensis](#))  
 Mitchell's Satyr ([Neonympha mitchellii mitchellii](#))  
 Mount Charleston Blue ([Plebejus shasta charlestonensis](#))  
 Myrtle's Silverspot ([Speyeria zerene myrtleae](#))  
 Nickerbean Blue ([Cyclargus ammon](#)) [Listed due to similarity in appearance to Miami blue.]  
 Oregon Silverspot ([Speyeria zerene hippolyta](#))  
 Palos Verde Blue ([Glaucopsyche lygdamus palosverdesensis](#))  
 Pawnee montane Skipper ([Hesperia leonardus montana](#))  
 Poweshiek skipperling ([Oarisma poweshiek](#))  
 Quino Checkerspot ([Euphydryas editha quino](#))  
 San Bruno Elfin ([Callophrys mossii bayensis](#))  
 Schaus Swallowtail ([Heraclides aristodemus ponceanus](#))  
 Smith's Blue ([Euphilotes enoptes smithi](#))  
 St. Francis' Satyr ([Neonympha mitchellii francisci](#))  
 Taylor's checkerspot ([Euphydryas editha taylori](#))  
 Uncompahgre Fritillary ([Boloria acrocneema](#))

## Other Insects

Delhi Sands Flower-loving Fly ([Rhaphiomidas terminatus abdominalis](#))  
 Valley Elderberry Longhorn Beetle ([Desmocerus californicus dimorphus](#))

# Wrap Up and Next Session:

- Recordings and resources will be shared on the Course Information page by next week.
- Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 4 pm PST/7pm EST
  - Module 2: Indigenous Perspectives – featuring Brad Howie and Melanie Kirby
  - Use the same Zoom link that you used today to join future modules. Zoom will also send a reminder email with the link one hour before each module.



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