



Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program

Massachusetts Division of Fisheries & Wildlife

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NHESP ANIMAL OBSERVATION FORM

*Required Fields (additional information may be requested during NHESP review of observation report)

Survey Information

*SPECIES NAME (scientific name preferred): TERRAPENE CAROLINA CAROLINA - NEST
 *Date(s) and time(s) of observation(s): 06-20-2016 8:00 pm
 Amount of area surveyed/time spent surveying area: APPROXIMATELY 40 HRS

Species Identification

*Description of the diagnostic characteristics upon which the ID was based (including how distinguished from similar species): NEST WAS FOUND IN A DIRT BIKE TRAIL ON THE EDGE OF A ESTABLISHED FIELD, NEST WAS REMOVED + RELOCATED, 6 EGGS (LONG + OVATE)

*Photographs taken (Y/N) (N) If yes, please submit a clear photo/slide/or electronic digital image of the animal showing diagnostic features. On image, please indicate your name, the date, location, and species.

*Was a specimen taken and curated for deposition in a biological research collection (Y/N)? If yes, please indicate the institution or personal collection where the specimen will be deposited: N/A

Location Information

*Town: PLYMOUTH County: PLYMOUTH Waterbody: N/A

*Describe how to get to the site of the observation using obvious permanent landmarks such as a road intersection (measuring to at least the nearest 1/10 mile):

COORDINATES FOR NEST SITE LOCATION ARE AS FOLLOWS -
LATITUDE 41.9167
LONGITUDE -70.6462

Please attach a copy of the appropriate section of a USGS topo map, aerial photograph, or similar map (i.e. Google Earth map, GIS map, etc.), and carefully mark the specific site where you observed this rare species.

Coordinates (if available): System used (circle one): UTM Lat-Long Mass. State Plane Datum _____

Source of coordinates (circle one): GPS Google Earth other GIS system (please specify _____)

Coordinates at original observation location _____ If GPS, accuracy of GPS unit at the time the coordinates were taken _____

Obs #1: SEE ABOVE
 Obs #2: _____
 Obs #3: _____

Please submit field forms, appropriate maps with specific location clearly marked, and all supporting documentation to the Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program, Massachusetts Division of Fisheries & Wildlife, Rt. 135, Westborough, MA 01581