

Illinois ENDANGERED & THREATENED SPECIES



redspotted sunfish Lepomis miniatus

[state threatened]

The redspotted sunfish is an inhabitant of slow-moving backwaters and swamps. They are highly insectivorous, consuming mostly midge larvae and other larval aquatic insects, amphipods, and cladocerans. Redspotted sunfish are known to hybridize with bluegill.

Reasons for Concern

water quality and other habitat issues



