



Illinois ENDANGERED & THREATENED SPECIES



royal catchfly *Silene regia* [state endangered]

Royal catchfly is one of a small number of red-flowered plants native to the Midwest, and one of very few, red-flowered, prairie plants. Royal catchfly is one of the very few prairie plants pollinated by hummingbirds. Like other prairie plants, royal catchfly will sometimes persist in roadsides or around the edges of pioneer cemeteries. This plant occurs in prairies, savannas, barrens, and open woodlands, usually on well-drained, often rocky soils.

Reasons for Concern

- habitat conversion to agricultural use

