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Reptiles RECCAR) Coast Terrace Inn, Edmonton, Alberta 24-27, 2004 — Seasonal and Diurnal Patterns of Calling in Eastern Canadian Amphibians: Compiling the conventional wisdom as a null hypothesis (Frederick W. Schueler with contributions from Wayne F. Weller, John Gilhen, Lenny Shirose, and Brian Dalzell) — Membership in CARCNET/RECCAR (contact Bruce Pauli, Canadian Wildlife Service, National Wildlife Research Centre, Carleton University, Raven Road, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H3. Web site: <http://www.carcnet.ca/>).

Canadian Species at Risk May 2004

Issued by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC), the list is 49 pages containing: About COSEWIC: mandate, membership, definitions — Summary tables: Species designated in the "risk" and the Extinct categories and the Not at Risk, and Data Deficient categories (Tables 1-3) — Results of May 2004 COSEWIC meeting (Tables 4-5) — Explanation of status change symbols for reassessed species — COSEWIC Assessment Results — Table 6: Species assessed and designated Extinct: Extinct Category — Table 7: Species examined and designated in a "risk category": Extirpated Category, Endangered Category, Threatened Category, Special Concern Category — Table 8, Species assessed and found to be on the Not at Risk category — Table 9. Species considered and placed in the Data

Deficient category — Record of Status Re-examinations — Record of Name Changes. Listed as of May 2004 (with November 2003 totals in parenthesis) are 12 (12) extinct, 21 (21) extirpated, 169 (153) endangered, 114 (102) threatened, and 140 (143) of special concern. Of the 453 (431) forms in these categories, 66 (64) are mammals, 60 (56) birds, 32 (31) reptiles, 19 (19) amphibians, 79 (807) fishes, 16 (13) arthropods, 21 (18) molluscs, 145 (136) vascular plants, 11 (8) mosses, and 7 (6) lichens. In addition 151 (152) forms have been considered and found not at risk, and 33 (29) to be data deficient.

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