



Blanding's Turtle

General Description: Plastron (lower shell) is hinged across the front third.

Color: Dark carapace (upper shell) with scattered yellow flecks and bright yellow chin and throat.

Length: 6 -10 inches.

Weight: 1-4 pounds.

Habitat: Wetlands with adjacent sandy uplands.

Food: Aquatic vegetation, macro-invertebrates, and small fish.

*MN Status = Threatened

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