5-YEAR REVIEW
Sonoran pronghorn (*Antilocapra americana sonoriensis*)

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Species: Sonoran pronghorn (*Antilocapra americana sonoriensis*)
Date listed: 11 March 1967
FR citation(s): 32 FR 4001
Classification: Endangered

BACKGROUND:

Most recent status review: Recovery Plan for the Sonoran Pronghorn (*Antilocapra americana sonoriensis*) Second Revision, November 2016

FR Notice citation announcing this status review: 83 FR 25034

ASSESSMENT:

Information acquired since the last status review: This 5-year review was conducted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s (USFWS) Arizona Ecological Services Office. Data for this review were solicited from interested parties through a Federal Register notice announcing this review on May 31, 2018. The FWS offices responsible for Sonoran pronghorn recovery (Cabeza Prieta NWR, Kofa NWR, and Arizona Ecological Services Office) are in constant communication regarding the status of this species. We are also in frequent communication with our partners in Sonoran pronghorn recovery, including Arizona Game and Fish Department (AGFD), National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management U.S. Air Force, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Army, Comisión Nacional de Áreas Naturales Protegidas, and Comisión de Ecología y Desarrollo Sustentable del Estado de Sonora. These partners and others comprise the Sonoran Pronghorn Recovery Team, an active team with members who regularly meet and participate in recovery efforts. Information about the species is regularly shared among the team, including monthly reports produced by AGFD. We considered this information, as well as that from literature searches and review of our files, to conduct our review. Additionally, we received and reviewed one joint comment letter from Defenders of Wildlife and WildEarth Guardians during the aforementioned public comment period.

Formal biennial surveys, as well as more frequent informal surveys are regularly conducted for Sonoran pronghorn. While formal and informal survey results indicate some change in the number of Sonoran pronghorn in each population since population numbers were reported in the 2016 recovery plan (for example, 2017 formal biennial surveys conducted by AGFD resulted in an estimated 72 and 683 Sonoran pronghorn in the Pinacate and Quitovac populations respectively, as opposed to an estimated 117 and 862 reported in the 2016 recovery plan), no changes have occurred that would lead us to consider a change (downlisting or delisting) in the listing status of Sonoran pronghorn.
Conclusion:

After reviewing the best available scientific information, we conclude that Sonoran pronghorn remains an endangered species. The evaluation of threats affecting the species under the factors in 4(a)(1) of the Act and analysis of the status of the species in our Recovery Plan for the Sonoran Pronghorn, Second Revision, remain an accurate reflection of the species’ current status.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE ACTIONS: See the 2016 recovery plan.

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