

## Trowbridge's Shrew

*Sorex trowbridgii*

This is perhaps the least studied shrew in BC where it is considered rare. As with many other species of conservation concern on the South Coast Trowbridge's Shrew is restricted to the extreme southwest of the province where it is also at the northern end of its North American range.



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### Characteristics

Trowbridge's Shrew is uniformly dark grey, slightly browner in summer than in winter, with distinctly white feet. Vibrissae (whiskers) are numerous and the skull and rostrum (snout) are shorter, giving this species a rounder face and head than other shrews. Juveniles have hairy tails that become naked like a rat's as they mature. In shrews dentition patterns, shape and number are a key identification tool. The third unicuspid is smaller than fourth and the teeth are pigmented a dark reddish-brown.

### Status

<b>Global Status:</b>	G5
<b>Provincial Status:</b>	S3
<b>BC List Status:</b>	Blue (Considered to be of Special Concern)

### Resources

## **Distribution and Abundance of Four Species of Small Mammals at Risk in a Fragmented Landscape**

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### **For further information see**

#### **BC Species and Ecosystems Explorer: Species and Ecosystems Search**

A source for authoritative conservation information on thousands of plants and animals and hundreds of ecological communities in BC. From here connect to all provincial and federal recovery plans (including the SARA Registry), COSEWIC (Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada), Identified Wildlife guidance and conservation requirements for specific species and ecological communities of conservation concern impacted by forestry activities) and links to E-Flora and E-Fauna (the Electronic Atlas of the Plants and Wildlife of British Columbia).

#### **British Columbia's Coast Region Species & Ecosystems of Conservation Concern**

A joint venture resource providing comprehensive information on a range of species and ecological communities specific to the Coast Region of BC (including the South, Central and North Coast, Vancouver Island and Haida Gwaii).

#### **Develop With Care Guidelines (see Lower Mainland Region section)**

Environmental guidelines for urban and rural land development in BC.

#### **Species at Risk & Local Governments a Primer for BC**

Learn what species are at risk in your area, search by name, habitat type, regional district and forest district.

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[3] <http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/plants-animals-ecosystems/conservation-data-centre/explore-cdc-data/species-and-ecosystems-explorer>

[4] <http://www.geog.ubc.ca/biodiversity/factsheets/>

[5] [http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/wld/documents/bmp/devwithcare2006/develop\\_with\\_care\\_intro.html](http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/wld/documents/bmp/devwithcare2006/develop_with_care_intro.html)

[6] <http://www.speciesatrisk.bc.ca/>