

Monitoring Rare and Endangered Plant Populations in the Sandplain environs of Waquoit Bay

This project is collaboratively carried out by WBNERR staff in partnership with the Massachusetts Dept. of Fish and Wildlife's National Heritage Endangered Species Program (NHESP). Surveys of *Agalinus acuta* (Sandplain Gerardia) are carried out in several locations annually (in September) at the Reserve headquarters property off Rt 28 in Waquoit, MA. Currently, WBNERR has the largest verified population of this rare species in Massachusetts. Surveys of *Liatrix scariosa* (New England Blazing Star) are carried out on WBNERR's Washburn Island in September as well.