

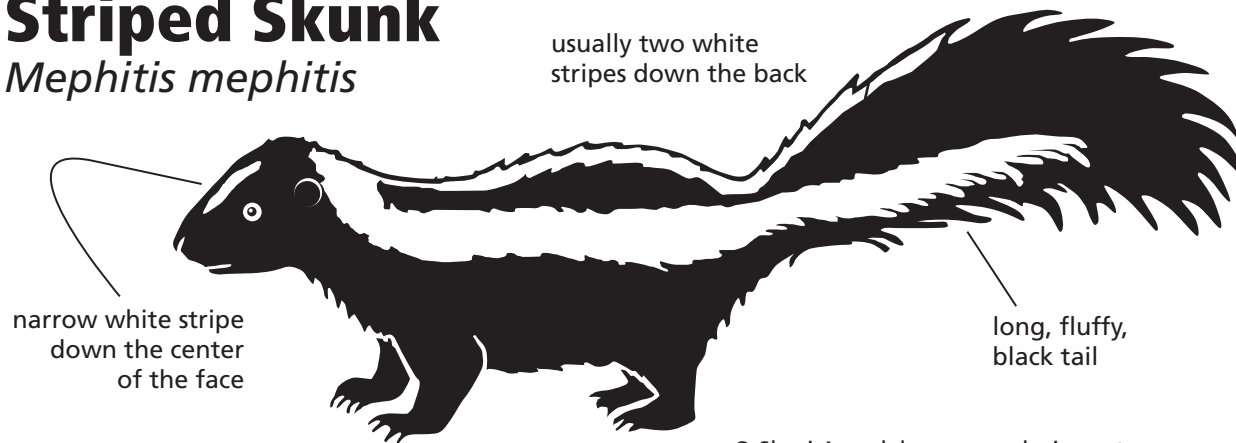
# HAVE YOU SEEN ME?

The Alabama Nongame Wildlife Program is looking for sightings of the eastern spotted skunk.

## Eastern Spotted Skunk *Spilogale putorius*



## Striped Skunk *Mephitis mephitis*



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### Facts:

- Once common, the spotted skunk is now rare in Alabama.
- Spotted skunks eat mice, rats, and insects, helping to control their populations. As scavengers, they help clean up carrion from the woods.
- Please help us to better understand the status of the species in the state.
- Report any sightings from roadkill, game cameras or inadvertent catch from fur trapping. (The harvest of spotted skunks is now prohibited due to its conservation status.)

### Ways to report:

- Upload your observations to the Eastern Spotted Skunk project at [www.inaturalist.org/projects/eastern-spotted-skunk](http://www.inaturalist.org/projects/eastern-spotted-skunk) or use the iNaturalist smartphone app.
- Email photographs with GPS latitude/longitude coordinates (enable location services for photos on your smartphone) to [nicholas.sharp@dcnr.alabama.gov](mailto:nicholas.sharp@dcnr.alabama.gov)

### Learn more about spotted skunks here:

[www.outdooralabama.com/eastern-spotted-skunk](http://www.outdooralabama.com/eastern-spotted-skunk)