Uniform Crake (Amaurolimnas concolor)

(3 subspecies; two within plan area)

Population Trend (PT)

A. concolor concolor—not applicable (Delany and Scott 2002; extinct, last recorded in 1881 (del Hoyo et al. 1996))

A. concolor guatemalensis—unknown (Delany and Scott 2002)

"formerly considered locally distributed and by the 1970s the race *guatemalensis* was regarded as very rare except in ne Costa Rica, where it was locally fairly common...more recently, *guatemalensis* has been described as rare in Panama...there is one 19th century specimen from Guatemala...the nominate race last reported from Jamaica in 1881, its extirpation presumably due to introduction of mongoose..." (Taylor 1998)

This species is secretive and easily overlooked, especially as it does not call frequently over most of the year. Its preference for lowland wet forest, especially streamsides and swampy areas, is motive for concern given the widespread deforestation over much of its N range, but it will use dense wet second growth (Heliconia thickets, etc. beside forest. At most I would consider it near-threatened in Central America (F.G. Stiles, pers.comm.)

PT FACTOR SCORE=?

Population Size (PS)

A. concolor concolor—extinct (Delany and Scott 2002; del Hoyo et al. 1996)

A. concolor guatemalensis—unknown (Delany and Scott 2002)

"possibly rare and threatened in some parts of its range..." (Taylor 1998)

PS FACTOR SCORE=?

Threats to Breeding Populations (TB)

"certainly being adversely affected by the destruction of its forest habitats...contends with cats and rats..." (Taylor 1998)

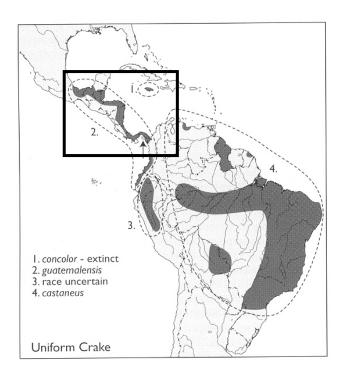
TB FACTOR SCORE=4

Conservation Concern Category: *Information Lacking*

Threats to Non-breeding Populations (TN)

TN FACTOR SCORE=4

Global Range (Taylor 1998; inset=plan area range)



Breeding Distribution (BD)

A. concolor concolor—Jamaica (Delany and Scott 2002)

A. concolor guatemalensis—S Mexico S to Ecuador (Delany and Scott 2002)

458,900 km² (plan area distribution; estimated from range maps)

Breeding range estimated to be smaller and more local than depicted in general range maps (Marshbird Workshop 2005)

BD FACTOR SCORE=5

Non-breeding Distribution (ND)

A. concolor concolor—Jamaica (Delany and Scott 2002)

A. concolor guatemalensis—S Mexico S to Ecuador (Delany and Scott 2002)

458,900 km² (plan area distribution; estimated from range maps)

ND FACTOR SCORE=5

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