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Greetings,

This email is to inform you that the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans Canada has established a Critical Habitat Order under the *Species at Risk Act* (SARA) to protect the critical habitat of a freshwater fish species at risk, the Silver Shiner. Critical habitat was identified for this species in a recovery strategy published on the [Species at Risk Public Registry](#). The final version of the Critical Habitat Order was published recently in the [Canada Gazette, Part II](#).

A Critical Habitat Order reinforces existing regulatory mechanisms to manage the prohibition in SARA subsection 58(1) by providing the crown mandatory measures to prosecute individuals, corporations and non-profit organizations violating SARA subsection 58(1), and statutory penalties with which to enforce the measures. Since threats to the critical habitat of Silver Shiner are already managed under existing regulatory mechanisms, which remain unchanged with the coming into force of the Critical Habitat Order, there will not be additional compliance and administrative measures on the part of Canadians and Canadian businesses.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank-you,  
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