

Slender Glass Lizard *Ophisaurus attenuatus*

Habitat Preference: Slender glass lizards are found in oak savannas, sand prairies, and old fields.



Threats:

- Loss of habitat
 - Conversion of prairie to cultivated ground.
 - Invasion of exotic species in remaining prairie remnants.
 - Urban development.
- Slender glass lizards are almost exclusively insectivores. High insecticide use contributes to the decline in slender glass lizards in two ways. The first effect is a diminished the food supply. The second is they are affected by the insecticides they ingest when they are feeding.

Habitat Improvement Guidelines:

- Prescribed fire should be used to maintain healthy grassland habitat. Avoid burning during the slender glass lizard's active period (April - October).
- Mechanical tree removal should be used in place of chemical control. It is important to limit the use of chemicals in areas used by slender glass lizards
- Limit insecticide use in areas used by slender glass lizards.