



Pollinator Efforts and Department Collaboration

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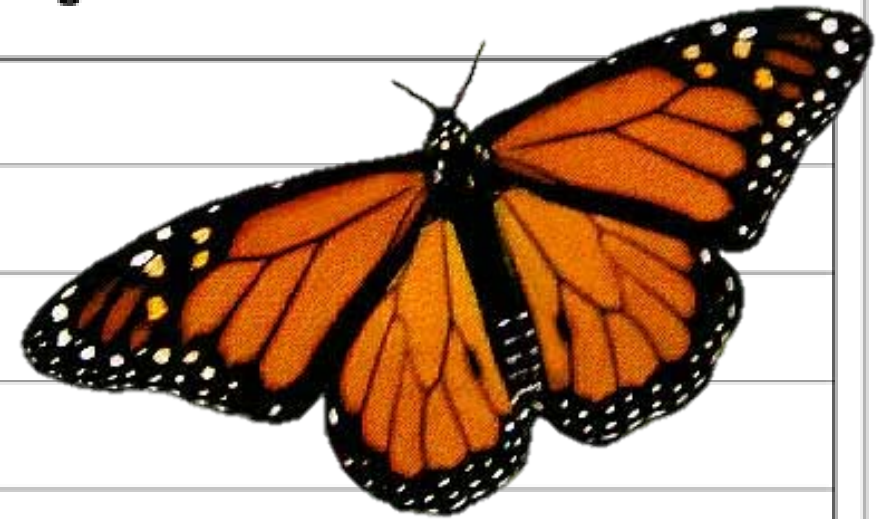
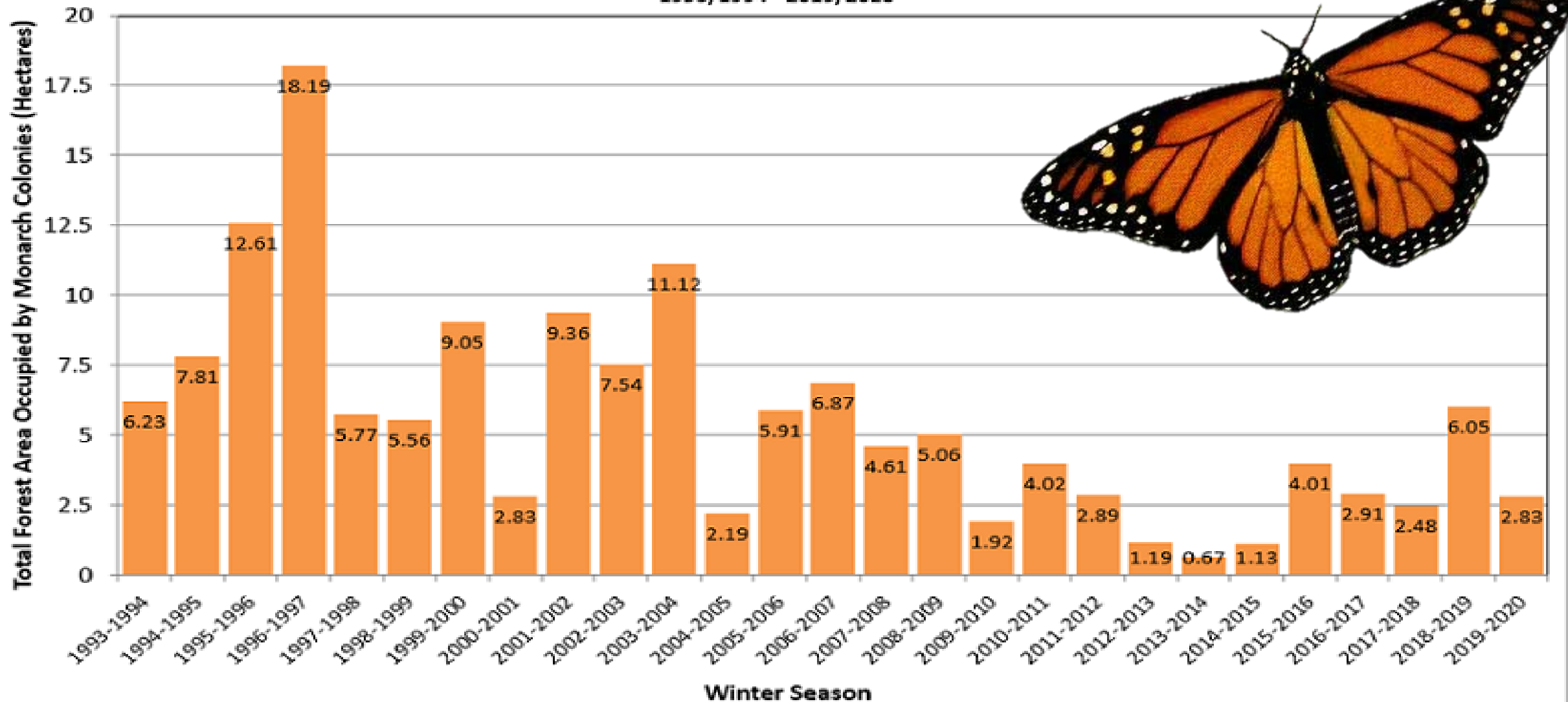
Pollinators: Why do we care?

- Human diet
- Economy
- Clean air
- Water and soils



Population Decline

Total Area Occupied by Monarch Colonies At Overwintering Sites in Mexico
1993/1994 - 2019/2020



Roadside Habitat

- Milkweed
- Flowering plants



- Environmental Stewardship Office
- Real Estate
- Roadside Environmental
- Maintenance & Operations





Dove's Nest Pollinator Meadow



Dove's Nest Prescribed Burn

Wildflower Seeding

- Partnered with DNREC
- Seed drill
- Clover firebreaks





Monitoring



Pollinator License Plate

- **NOT** passed yet
- Senate Bill 23 – approved
- Sent to House for consideration
- Plate features native wildflower and pollinator species
- Funds raised from the plate will be used for pollinator-related work



Questions?

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