Coalition: Climate change threatens Sierra Nevada habitat

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Both the Sierra Nevada and the San Francisco Bay-Delta have been named by environmental groups to a new list of 10 American habitats threatened by climate change.

The list was released Wednesday by the Endangered Species Coalition, a network of hundreds of conservation groups in the United States.

The 10 threatened habitats – deemed most important for endangered species in a warming world – were selected by a panel of 10 scientists from across the country representing academia and the conservation community. They relied on existing data rather than new research.

It is a first by the coalition, which previously generated annual lists focused on individual species rather than whole habitats.

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