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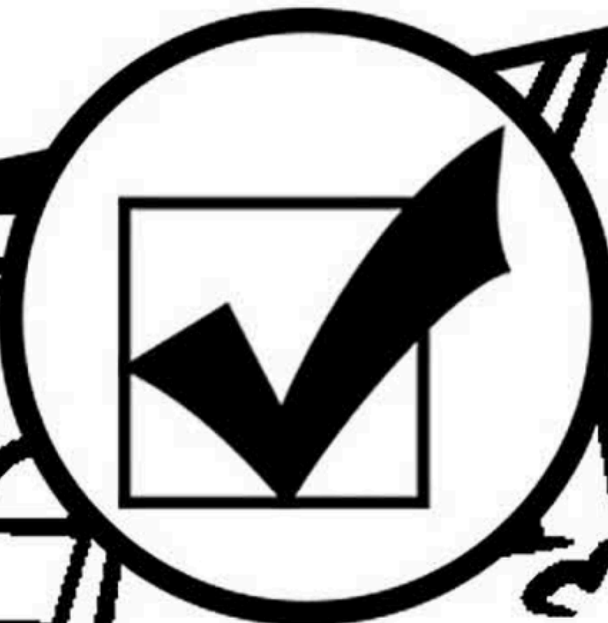
WPC SPECIES AT RISK

YELLOW-BANDED BUMBLE BEE

status: special concern in Canada

scientific name: *Bombus terricola*

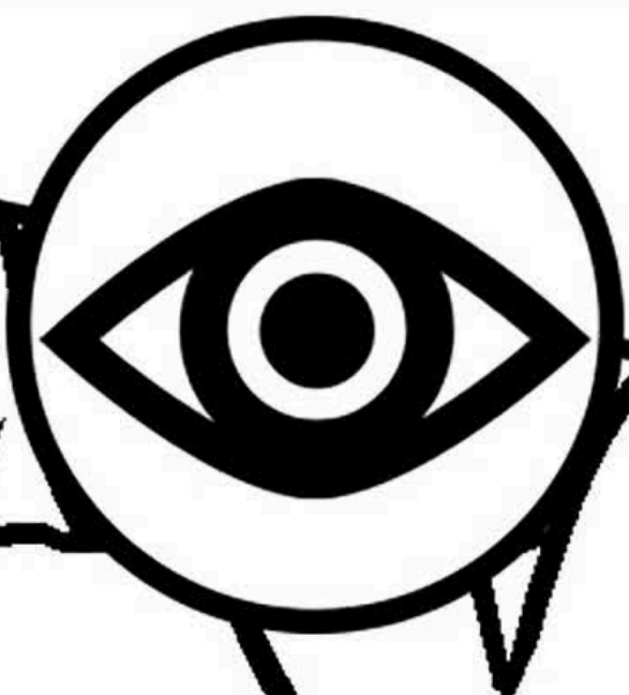
Only female bumble bees can sting. They do not lose their stinger like other bees so they can sting many times. But bumble bees are **not** aggressive unless threatened.



Bumble bees have a hairy tongue called a **proboscis** to lick up nectar. The tongue folds up when they are not eating. They also have jaws called **mandibles** to bite open flowers and eat pollen.



Bumble bees have various colour patterns on their **abdomen**. This bumble bee has TWO yellow bands. This is how it got its name **yellow-banded bumble bee**.



Bumble bees have soft hair on their body called **pile**. These hairs are very different than the thick hair on their legs that help them carry pollen. The thick leg hairs are called **scopa**.



Bumble bees **feed** on nectar and pollen from the flowers of fruits and vegetables. They are important **pollinators** for the food that people eat. You can help bumble bees by planting wildflowers in your yard.



BUMBLE JUMBLE!

PLEASE UNSCRAMBLE THE WORDS BELOW

YOU CAN DO IT!

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1. BIMDASLEN											A body part used for eating
2. LPIE											A type of body hair
3. CRAETN											Food that bumble bees get from flowers
4. BSICPSOOR											A body part used to drink nectar
5. PLOLNE											Food that bumble bees carry on their body
6. RSFIEWLDLOW											Something we can all plant to help bees
7. ACPSO											A type of leg hair
8. EBANDOM											The body part with different colour bands for identification
9. NRDENDEAGE											The status of some bumble bees in Canada

Answers: 1. mandibles 2. pile 3. nectar 4. proboscis 5. pollen 6. wildflowers 7. clover 8. abdomen 9. endangered

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