Hypocala andremona Hypocala Moth



FIELD GUIDE DESCRIPTIONS: ONLINE PHOTOS: TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS: TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS:

DISTRIBUTION: Please refer to the dot map.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT:

FOOD: Larvae feed on American Persimmon (<i>Diospyros virginiana</i>) and other species of <math><i>Diospyros</i> (Robinson et al., 2010). Records from Cuba include hickory (<i>Carya</i>) as well as tropical species of <i>Euphorbia</i> and rose. We do not have any feeding records in North Carolina.

OBSERVATION_METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: GNR SU

STATE PROTECTION: Has no legal protection, although permits are required to collect it on state parks and other public lands.

COMMENTS: The status of this species as a resident of North Carolina needs to be determined. While its host plant is common in the Piedmont and Coastal Plain -- areas where the moth has not been recorded -- it is rare in the Mountains where we have our only records for this species. Like several other primarily tropical species, this moth is probably here only as a migrant.