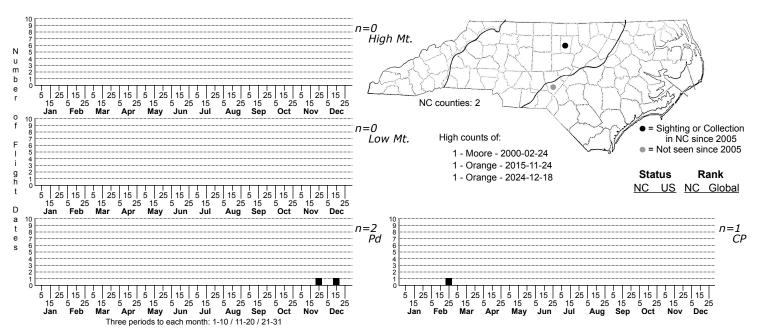
Lithophane lepida None



FAMILY: Noctuidae SUBFAMILY: Noctuinae TRIBE: Xylenini

TAXONOMIC_COMMENTS: The taxon <i>adipel</i> has been variably treated as both a subspecies of <i>L. lepida</i> and as a full species by different authors. The two taxa represent slightly different adult phenotypes that differ in geographic range and possibly larval host plants. New DNA barcode data do not provide compelling evidence that <i>L. lepida</i> and <i>L. adipel</i> represent separate species, and <i>adipel</i> is now treated as a subspecies of <i>L. lepida</i> (Pohl and Nanz, 2023).

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: We have records from a bottomland forest where Loblolly is common and a site in the Fall-line Sandhills where Longleaf is the dominant pine.

FOOD: Larvae feed on several species of hard pines (Wagner et al., 2011).

OBSERVATION_METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G4 S2S4

STATE PROTECTION:

COMMENTS: