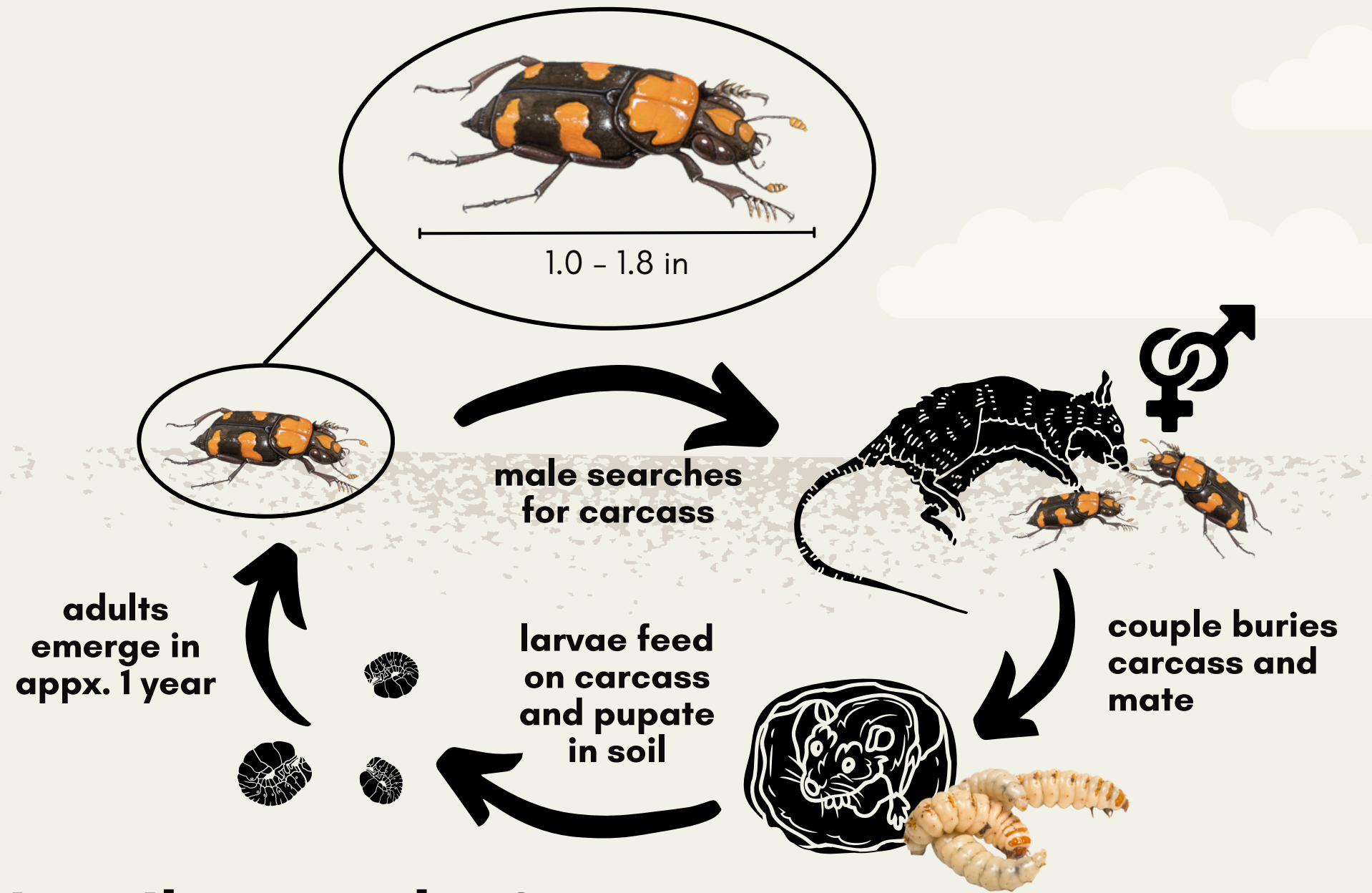
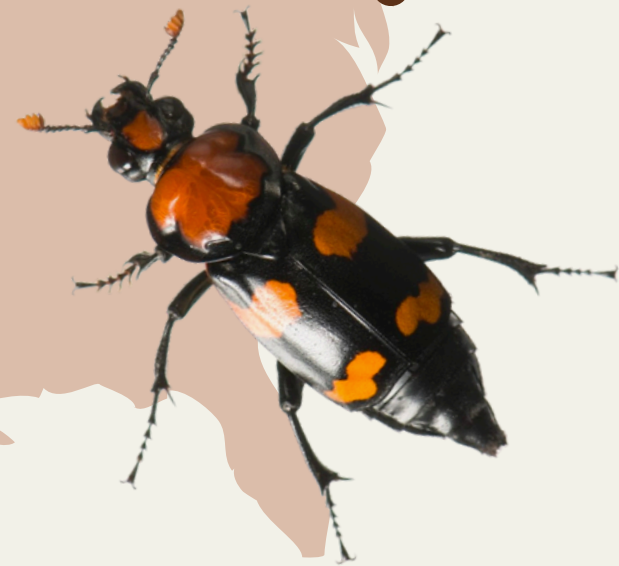


DISAPPEARING GRAVEDIGGERS: American Burying Beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*)

Nicrophorus americanus, also known as the **American burying beetle**, is a critically endangered species of beetle in North America. These beetles help recycle decomposing waste back into the environment.

Once in **35** states,
now only found in

6 states



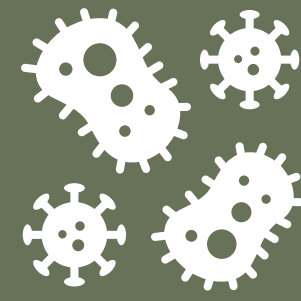
Why are they disappearing?



light
pollution



habitat
loss



pathogens
and disease



resource
loss