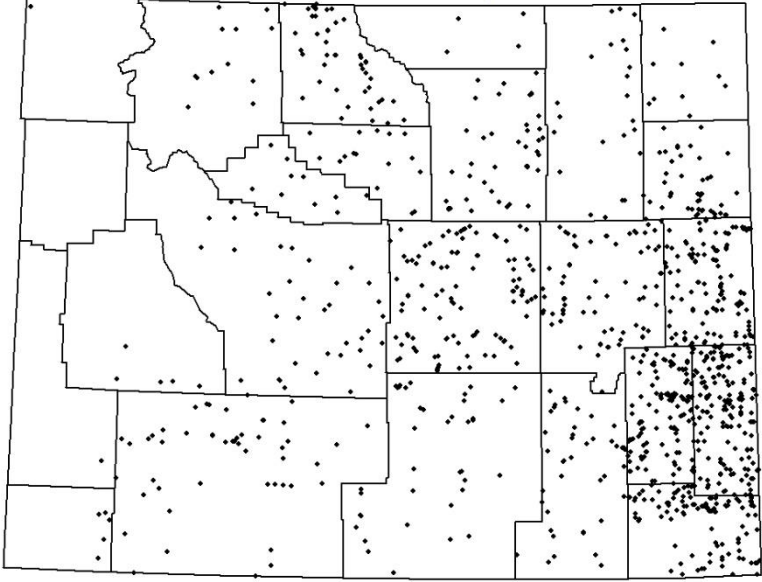


Cordillacris occipitalis



Cordillacris occipitalis, the spottedwinged grasshopper, is common throughout the shortgrass prairie in Wyoming. Populations decrease in the southwest desert areas and in the mixedgrass prairie. Eggs overwinter in the soil and hatch in late spring. Adults are present from late June to August. It feeds on many species of grass but may prefer grama grasses. This small grasshopper damages rangelands only if populations are very high or in conjunction with other grass-feeding species.

Ref: Pfadt 1989, Otte 1981, and Capinera and Sechrist 1982.