

Rare Plant Inventory

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Report for Blepharizonia plumosa

TAXON DETAILS Classification

Scientific Name Blepharizonia plumosa (Kell.) Greene

Common Namebig tarplantFamilyAsteraceaeElement CodePDAST1C011

USDA Plants Symbol BLPL

Synonyms/Other Names Blepharizonia plumosa (Kell.) Greene ssp.

plumosa

Conservation Status

California Rare Plant Rank1B.1Global RankG1G2State RankS1S2CESANoneFESANone

Other Status SB_CalBG/RSABG

CRPR Changes

 Date Added
 1994-01-01

 Last Update
 2021-08-25

Ecology and Life History

Lifeform annual herb
Blooming Period Jul-Oct

Elevation m (ft) 30-505 (100-1655)

General Habitats Valley and foothill grassland

Microhabitat Details

Microhabitat Clay (usually)

Threat List Data from the CNDDB

Threat List Total:		9
	Total EOs	Percent EOs
EOs with Threats Listed	25	47%
Threat List:		
Grazing	13	24%
Development	11	20%
Non-native plant impacts	9	16%
Road/trail construction/maint.	5	9%
Disking	4	7%
Erosion/runoff	3	5%
ORV activity	2	3%
Other	2	3%
Improper burning regime	1	1%

Element Occurrence Data from the CNDDB

Total Element Occurrences:	53	
Element Occurrence Ranks:		
Excellent (A)	6	
Good (B)	24	
Fair (C)	4	
Poor (D)	1	
None (X)	2	
Unknown (U)	16	
Occurrence Status		
Historical, > 20 years	37	
Recent, < 20 years	16	
Presence		
Presumed Extant	51	
Possibly Extirpated	2	
Presumed Extirpated	0	

Location

California Endemic	Yes

Counties

Alameda (ALA), Contra Costa (CCA), San Joaquin (SJQ), Solano (SOL)*, Stanislaus (STA)

States

California (CA)

Quads

Altamont (3712166), Antioch North (3812117)(?), Antioch South (3712187), Benicia (3812212), Brentwood (3712186), Byron Hot Springs (3712176), Clayton (3712188), Copper Mtn. (3712143), Honker Bay (3812118)(?), Midway (3712165), Patterson (3712142), Stockton West (3712183), Tracy (3712164), Union Island (3712174), Walnut Creek (3712281)(?), Westley (3712152)*

Notes

Definitions of codes preceding a county and/or quad:

- * Presumed extirpated
- (*) Possibly extirpated

Species may be present in other areas where conditions are favorable. These data should NOT be substituted for pre-project review or for on-site surveys.

Notes

Historical occurrences probably extirpated by agriculture and non-native plants. Seriously threatened by urbanization; also threatened by disking, residential development, and non-native plants. See *B. plumosa* ssp. *plumosa* in *TJM* (1993). See *Proceedings of the California Academy of Sciences* I 5:49 (1873) for original description, *Systematic Botany* 26(1):184-194 (2001) for elevation to specific rank, and *Madroño* 48(4):272-285 (2001) for demography and population biology.

Threats

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Selected References

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