

**CNPS Inventory of Rare and Endangered Plants of
California**

rareplants.cnps.org



PLANT DETAIL

Classification

Scientific Name	<i>Poa atropurpurea</i> Scribn.
Common Name	San Bernardino blue grass
Family	Poaceae
Element Code Name	PMPOA4Z0A0
USDA Plants Symbol	POAT
Synonyms/Other Names	

Conservation Status

California Rare Plant Rank	1B.2
Global Rank	G2
State Rank	S2
CESA	None
FESA	FE (09/14/98)
Other Status	SB_CalBG/RSABG
CRPR Changes	
Date Added	1/1/1974
Last Change	5/26/2021

Ecology and Life History

Lifeform	perennial rhizomatous herb
Blooming Period	(Apr)May-Jul(Aug)
Elevation: m (ft)	1360-2455 (4460-8055)
General Habitat	Meadows and seeps (mesic)
General MicroHabitat	
Micro Habitat	

Element Occurrence Data from California Natural Diversity Database

Total Element Occurrences	27
Element Occurrence Ranks	
Excellent (A)	0
Good (B)	7
Fair (C)	2
Poor (D)	2
None (X)	0
Unknown (U)	16
Occurrence Status	

Historical, > 20 years	19
Recent, < 20 years	8
Presence	
Presumed Extant	27
Possibly Extirpated	0
Presumed Extirpated	0

Location

CA Endemic Yes

Counties

San Bernardino (SBD), San Diego (SDG)

States

California (CA)

Quads

Big Bear City (3411637), Big Bear Lake (3411628), Cuyamaca Peak (3211685), Descanso (3211675), Fawnskin (3411638), Julian (3311615), Monument Peak (3211684), Moonridge (3411627), Mount Laguna (3211674), Onyx Peak (3411626), Palomar Observatory (3311637)

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.

General Notes

Known from approximately twenty occurrences in the San Bernardino Mtns. (SBD Co.) and Laguna Mtns. (SDG Co.). Threatened by development, grazing, hydrological alterations, mining, recreational activities, and vehicles, and potentially by hybridization with non-native *P. pratensis*.

Distribution

Threats

Taxonomy

Other

References