

# **Rare Plant Inventory**

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# Report for Sclerocactus polyancistrus

# TAXON DETAILS Classification

Scientific Name Sclerocactus polyancistrus (Engelm. & Bigel.)

Britt. & Rose

Common Name Mojave fish-hook cactus

Family Cactaceae
Element Code PDCAC0J050

USDA Plants Symbol SCPO4

Synonyms/Other Names

# **Conservation Status**

California Rare Plant Rank4.2Global RankG3State RankS3CESANoneFESANone

Other Status IUCN\_LC; SB\_CalBG/RSABG

**CRPR Changes** 

 Date Added
 1974-01-01

 Last Update
 2023-12-05

# **Ecology and Life History**

**Lifeform** perennial stem

Blooming Period Apr-Jul

**Elevation m (ft)** 640-2320 (2100-7610)

General Habitats Great Basin scrub, Joshua tree "woodland",

Mojavean desert scrub

**Microhabitat Details** 

Microhabitat Carbonate (usually)

### Threat List Data from the CNDDB

Threat List Total:		0
	Total EOs	Percent EOs
EOs with Threats Listed	0	0%
Threat List:		

## **Element Occurrence Data from the CNDDB**

Total Element Occurrences:	0
Element Occurrence Ranks:	
Excellent (A)	0
Good (B)	0
Fair (C)	0
Poor (D)	0
None (X)	0
Unknown (U)	0
Occurrence Status	
Historical, > 20 years	0
Recent, < 20 years	0
Presence	
Presumed Extant	0
Possibly Extirpated	0
Presumed Extirpated	0

# Location

California Endemic	No
Counties	
Inyo (INY), Kern (KRN), San Bernardino (SBD)	
States	
California (CA), Nevada (NV)	

#### Quads

Barstow (3411781), Blackwater Well (3511733), Cantil (3511738), Cerro Gordo Peak (3611757), China Gardens (3611725), Chloride City (3611668), Chocolate Mtn. (3711748), Cinco (3511831), Coso Peak (3611726), Cowhorn Valley (3711821), Coyote Lake (3511617), Cuddeback Lake (3511734), Daylight Pass (3611678), Eagle Crags (3511741), East of Waucoba Spring (3711717), El Paso Peaks (3511746), Hanging Rock Canyon (3711726), Helendale (3411763), Hinkley (3411782), Hodge (3411772), Inyokern Se (3511757), Keeler (3611747), Kramer Hills (3411784), Lane Mountain (3511618), Last Chance Mtn. (3711736), Last Chance Range SE (3711715), Last Chance Range SW (3711716), Louisiana Butte (3611715), Maturango Peak (3611714), Mountain Springs Canyon (3511785), Nova Canyon (3611733), Panamint (3611711), Panamint Butte (3611743), Petroglyph Canyon (3611716), Pilot Knob (3511742), Saline Peak (3611786), Saltdale NW (3511748), Sand Spring (3711725), Santa Rosa Flat (3611746), Slocum Mtn. (3511732), Stewart Valley (3611622), Superior Valley (3511731), Talc City Hills (3611736), Thimble Peak (3611771), Tinemaha Reservoir (3711812), Twelve Gauge Lake (3411783), Ubehebe Peak (3611765), Uhlmeyer Spring (3711822), Victorville (3411753), Waucoba Canyon (3611774), Wild Crossing (3411773)

#### **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**

Does not usually survive transplanting. See *Proceedings of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences* 3:272 (1856) for original description, *Cactus and Succulent Journal* 51:228-232 (1979) for ecological information, and *Fremontia* 10(4):23-24 (1983) for species account.

## **Threats**

Threatened by horticultural collecting, herbivory by insects, and vehicles. Possibly threatened by grazing and development.

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## **Selected References**

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