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# Report for Sphaeralcea rusbyi var. eremicola

# TAXON DETAILS

# Classification

Scientific Name	Sphaeralcea rusbyi Gray var. eremicola (Jeps.) Kearn.		
Common Name	Rusby's desert-mallow		
Family	Malvaceae		
Element Code	PDMAL140L1		
USDA Plants Symbol			
Synonyms/Other Names			

# **Conservation Status**

California Rare Plant Rank	1B.2
Global Rank	G4T2
State Rank	S2
CESA	None
FESA	None
Other Status	BLM_S; SB_CalBG/RSABG; SB_USDA
CRPR Changes	
Date Added	1974-01-01
Last Update	2021-05-26

# **Ecology and Life History**

perennial herb				
Mar-Jun				
975-1645 (3200-5395)				
Joshua tree "woodland", Mojavean desert scrub				

# Threat List Data from the CNDDB

Threat List Total:		9	
	Total EOs	Percent EOs 46%	
EOs with Threats Listed	32		
Threat List:			
Development	14	20%	
Road/trail construction/maint.	11	15%	
Grazing	10	14%	
Mining	9	13%	
ORV activity	9	13%	
Non-native animal impacts	5	7%	
Non-native plant impacts	5	7%	
Other	4	5%	
Foot traffic/trampling	1	1%	

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

Total Element Occurrences:	69
Element Occurrence Ranks:	
Excellent (A)	7
Good (B)	15
Fair (C)	3
Poor (D)	1
None (X)	0
Unknown (U)	43
Occurrence Status	
Historical, > 20 years	11
Recent, < 20 years	58
Presence	
Presumed Extant	69
Possibly Extirpated	0
Presumed Extirpated	0

### Location

California Endemic	Yes

#### Counties

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Invo (INV)	Riverside	(RI)/	San	Bernardino	(SRD)	۱.
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#### States

California (CA)

#### Quads

Blackwater Mine (3511577), Cima (3511525), Cima Dome (3511535), Clark Mtn. (3511555), Cottonwood Canyon (3611753), Cow Cove (3511536), Emigrant Canyon (3611742), Emigrant Pass (3611732), Fountain Peak (3411585), Indian Cove (3411612), Ivanpah Lake (3511554), Marl Mountains (3511526), Mescal Range (3511545), Mesquite Lake (3511565), Mineral Hill (3511544), Pachalka Spring (3511556), State Line Pass (3511564), Valley Wells (3511546)

#### 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

Known only from Death Valley NP (INY Co.) and near Clark Mtn. (SBD Co.). Threatened by grazing. See *Manual of the Flowering Plants of California*, p. 635 (1925) by W.L. Jepson for original description.

#### Threats

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#### **Selected References**

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