

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

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PLANT DETAIL

Classification

Scientific Name	<i>Taraxacum californicum</i> Munz & Jtn.
Common Name	California dandelion
Family	Asteraceae
Element Code Name	PDAST93050
USDA Plants Symbol	TACA5
Synonyms/Other Names	

Conservation Status

California Rare Plant Rank	1B.1
Global Rank	G1G2
State Rank	S1S2
CESA	None
FESA	FE (09/14/98)
Other Status	SB_CalBG/RSABG
CRPR Changes	changed from 1B.2 to 1B.1 on 2007-02-16
Date Added	1/1/1974
Last Change	5/26/2021

Ecology and Life History

Lifeform	perennial herb
Blooming Period	May-Aug
Elevation: m (ft)	1620-2800 (5315-9185)
General Habitat	Meadows and seeps (mesic)
General MicroHabitat	
Micro Habitat	

Element Occurrence Data from California Natural Diversity Database

Total Element Occurrences	45
Element Occurrence Ranks	
Excellent (A)	0
Good (B)	12
Fair (C)	13
Poor (D)	1
None (X)	5
Unknown (U)	14

Occurrence Status

Historical, > 20 years	26
Recent, < 20 years	19

Presence

Presumed Extant	40
Possibly Extirpated	1
Presumed Extirpated	4

Location

CA Endemic Yes

Counties

San Bernardino (SBD)

States

California (CA)

Quads

Big Bear City (3411637), Big Bear Lake (3411628), Fawnskin (3411638), Moonridge (3411627), Onyx Peak (3411626), San Gorgonio Mtn. (3411617)

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 only from San Bernardino Mtns. Seriously threatened by development, grazing and trampling, hydrological alterations, mining, vehicles, recreation, and hybridization with non-native *T. officinale*. See *Bulletin of the Torrey Botanical Club* 52:227-228 (1925) for original description, and *Madroño* 45(4):283-289 (1998) for information on genotypic diversity.

Distribution**Threats****Taxonomy****Other****References**