

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

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PLANT DETAIL



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Classification

Scientific Name

Chloropyron maritimum (Benth.) A.
Heller ssp. *palustre* (Behr) Tank &
J.M. Egger

Common Name

Point Reyes salty bird's-beak

Family

Orobanchaceae

Element Code Name

PDSCR0J0C3

USDA Plants Symbol

Synonyms/Other Names

Cordylanthus maritimus ssp. *palustris*

Conservation Status

California Rare Plant Rank

1B.2

Global Rank

G4?T2

State Rank

S2

CESA

None

FESA

None

Other Status

BLM_S

CRPR Changes

Date Added

1/1/1974

Last Change

5/26/2021

Ecology and Life History

Lifeform

annual herb (hemiparasitic)

Blooming Period

Jun-Oct

Elevation: m (ft)

0-10 (0-35)

General Habitat

Marshes and swamps (coastal salt)

General MicroHabitat

Micro Habitat

Element Occurrence Data from California Natural Diversity Database

Total Element Occurrences 80

Element Occurrence Ranks

Excellent (A)	7
Good (B)	32
Fair (C)	5
Poor (D)	4
None (X)	11
Unknown (U)	21

Occurrence Status

Historical, > 20 years	37
Recent, < 20 years	43

Presence

Presumed Extant	69
Possibly Extirpated	10
Presumed Extirpated	1

Location

CA Endemic No

Counties

Alameda (ALA)*, Humboldt (HUM), Marin (MRN), San Francisco (SFO), San Luis Obispo (SLO), San Mateo (SMT)*, Santa Clara (SCL)*, Sonoma (SON)

States

California (CA), Oregon (OR)

Quads

Arcata South (4012471), Bodega Head (3812331), Bolinas (3712286), Cannibal Island (4012463), Drakes Bay (3812218), Eureka (4012472), Fields Landing (4012462), Inverness (3812217), Milpitas (3712148)*, Morro Bay South (3512037), Mountain View (3712241)*, Newark (3712251), Novato (3812215), Oakland East (3712272), Oakland West (3712273)*, Petaluma River (3812225), Point Reyes NE (3812227), Redwood Point (3712252)*, Richmond (3712283), San Francisco North (3712274), San Leandro (3712262)*, San Mateo (3712253)*, San Quentin (3712284)*, San Rafael (3712285), Tomales (3812228), Tyee City (4012482)

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

Once rather common in proper habitat; now greatly reduced by development. Also threatened by foot traffic, non-native plants, hydrological alterations, cattle grazing and trampling. State listed as Endangered in OR. See *Proceedings of the California Academy of Science* 1:61 (1855) for original

description, *Brittonia* 25:135-158 (1973) for taxonomic treatment, and *Madroño* 41(4):316-327 (1994) for ecological discussion.

Distribution

Threats

Taxonomy

Other

References