

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

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PLANT DETAIL

Classification

Scientific Name	<i>Atriplex tularensis</i> Cov.
Common Name	Bakersfield smallscale
Family	Chenopodiaceae
Element Code Name	PDCHE04240
USDA Plants Symbol	ATTU
Synonyms/Other Names	

Conservation Status

California Rare Plant Rank	1A
Global Rank	GX
State Rank	SX
CESA	CE (01/01/87)
FESA	None
Other Status	
CRPR Changes	changed from 1B.1 to 1A on 2011-04-20
Date Added	1/1/1974
Last Change	5/26/2021

Ecology and Life History

Lifeform	annual herb
Blooming Period	Jun-Oct
Elevation: m (ft)	90-200 (295-655)
General Habitat	Chenopod scrub
General MicroHabitat	
Micro Habitat	

Element Occurrence Data from California Natural Diversity Database

Total Element Occurrences	3
Element Occurrence Ranks	
Excellent (A)	0
Good (B)	0
Fair (C)	0
Poor (D)	0
None (X)	3
Unknown (U)	0

Occurrence Status

Historical, > 20 years	3
Recent, < 20 years	0

Presence

Presumed Extant	0
Possibly Extirpated	1
Presumed Extirpated	2

Location

CA Endemic Yes

Counties

Kern (KRN)*

States

California (CA)

Quads

Coal Oil Canyon (3511911)?*, Gosford (3511931)*, Lamont (3511838), Weed Patch (3511828)*

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

Two historical occurrences extirpated by agriculture; only remaining occurrence at Kern Lake Preserve is presumed extirpated and is likely an undescribed form of *A. serenana*, not *A. tularensis* as previously thought. Threatened by habitat loss, lowering of water table, and hybridization with *A. serenana*. See *Contributions from the U.S. National Herbarium* 4:182 (1893) for original description, and *Fremontia* 19(2):15-18 (1991) for species account and discussion of management.

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