

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

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PLANT DETAIL

Classification

Scientific Name	<i>Astragalus albens</i> Greene
Common Name	Cushenbury milk-vetch
Family	Fabaceae
Element Code Name	PDFAB0F0A0
USDA Plants Symbol	ASAL4
Synonyms/Other Names	

Conservation Status

California Rare Plant Rank	1B.1
Global Rank	G1
State Rank	S1
CESA	None
FESA	FE (08/24/94)
Other Status	SB_CalBG/RSABG
CRPR Changes	
Date Added	1/1/1974
Last Change	8/25/2021

Ecology and Life History

Lifeform	perennial herb
Blooming Period	Mar-Jun
Elevation: m (ft)	1095-2000 (3595-6560)
General Habitat	Joshua tree "woodland", Mojavean desert scrub, Pinyon and juniper woodland
General MicroHabitat	
Micro Habitat	Carbonate (usually), Granitic (rarely)

Element Occurrence Data from California Natural Diversity Database

Total Element Occurrences	23
Element Occurrence Ranks	
Excellent (A)	2
Good (B)	9
Fair (C)	5
Poor (D)	0
None (X)	0

Unknown (U)	7
Occurrence Status	
Historical, > 20 years	14
Recent, < 20 years	9
Presence	
Presumed Extant	23
Possibly Extirpated	0
Presumed Extirpated	0

Location

CA Endemic Yes

Counties

San Bernardino (SBD)

States

California (CA)

Quads

Big Bear City (3411637), Cougar Buttes (3411647), Fawnskin (3411638), Rattlesnake Canyon (3411636)

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

Threatened by carbonate mining, grazing, energy development, road construction, and vehicles. See *Bulletin of the California Academy of Sciences* 1:156 (1885) for original description, and *Fremontia* 16(1):20-21 (1988) for discussion of mining threats.

Distribution

Threats

Taxonomy

Other

References