PLANT DETAIL

Classification

Scientific Name: Mentzelia polita A. Nels.
Common Name: polished blazing star
Family: Loasaceae
Element Code Name: PDLOA031D0
USDA Plants Symbol: MEPO2
Synonyms/Other Names:

Conservation Status

California Rare Plant Rank: 1B.2
Global Rank: G2G3
State Rank: S2?
CESA: None
FESA: None
Other Status: BLM_S; SB_CalBG/RSABG
CRPR Changes: added to 1B.2 on 2006-12-21
Date Added: 12/21/2006
Last Change: 3/1/2022

Ecology and Life History

Lifeform: perennial herb
Blooming Period: Apr-Aug
Elevation: m (ft): 1200-1580 (3935-5185)
General Habitat: Mojavean desert scrub
General MicroHabitat: Carbonate

Element Occurrence Data from California Natural Diversity Database

Total Element Occurrences: 11
Element Occurrence Ranks

Excellent (A): 0
Good (B): 4
Fair (C): 1
Poor (D): 0
None (X): 0
Unknown (U): 6

Occurrence Status:

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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 in California only from the Clark Mountains area of San Bernardino County. Potentially threatened by transmission line development. See *Botanical Gazette* 47: 427 (1909) for original description.