

Rare Plant Inventory

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Report for Cirsium arizonicum var. tenuisectum

TAXON DETAILS Classification

Scientific Name Cirsium arizonicum (A. Gray) Petrak var.

tenuisectum Keil

Common Name desert mountain thistle

Family Asteraceae
Element Code PDAST2E083

USDA Plants Symbol Synonyms/Other Names

Conservation Status

California Rare Plant Rank1B.2Global RankG5T2State RankS2CESANoneFESANone

Other Status SB_CalBG/RSABG

CRPR Changes added to 1B.2 on 2006-12-27

 Date Added
 2006-12-27

 Last Update
 2021-11-05

Ecology and Life History

Lifeformperennial herbBlooming PeriodJun-Nov

Elevation m (ft) 1500-2800 (4920-9185)

General Habitats Joshua tree "woodland", Mojavean desert

scrub, Pinyon and juniper woodland

Microhabitat Details

Microhabitat Disturbed areas, Roadsides (often), Rocky

Threat List Data from the CNDDB

Threat List Total:		2
	Total EOs	Percent EOs
EOs with Threats Listed	2	25%
Threat List:		
Other	1	12%
Recreational use (non-ORV)	1	12%

Element Occurrence Data from the CNDDB

Total Element Occurrences:	8
Element Occurrence Ranks:	
Excellent (A)	0
Good (B)	1
Fair (C)	0
Poor (D)	0
None (X)	0
Unknown (U)	7
Occurrence Status	
Historical, > 20 years	4
Recent, < 20 years	4
Presence	
Presumed Extant	8
Possibly Extirpated	0
Presumed Extirpated	0

Location

California Endemic	No
Counties	
San Bernardino (SBD)	
States	
California (CA), Nevada (NV)	
Quads	
Clark Mtn. (3511555), Ivanpah (3511533), Pinto Valley (3511523)	

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.

Notes

Known in CA only from the New York Mountains of San Bernardino County. The name *Cirsium nidulum* has long been misapplied to this species. May be distinctive enough to be its own taxon and not a variety of *Cirsium arizonicum*. See *SIDA* 21(1): 210 (2004) for original description.

Threats

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Selected References

CNPS Status Review: CRPR List Addition on 2006-12-27

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