

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

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PLANT DETAIL

Classification

Scientific Name	<i>Chorizanthe orcuttiana</i> Parry
Common Name	Orcutt's spineflower
Family	Polygonaceae
Element Code Name	PDPGN040G0
USDA Plants Symbol	CHOR
Synonyms/Other Names	

Conservation Status

California Rare Plant Rank	1B.1
Global Rank	G1
State Rank	S1
CESA	CE (11/01/79)
FESA	FE (10/07/96)
Other Status	SB_CaIBG/RSABG
CRPR Changes	
Date Added	1/1/1980
Last Change	11/5/2021

Ecology and Life History

Lifeform	annual herb
Blooming Period	Mar-May
Elevation: m (ft)	3-125 (10-410)
General Habitat	Chaparral (maritime), Closed-cone coniferous forest, Coastal scrub
General MicroHabitat	
Micro Habitat	Openings, Sandy

Element Occurrence Data from California Natural Diversity Database

Total Element Occurrences	18
Element Occurrence Ranks	
Excellent (A)	2
Good (B)	4
Fair (C)	0
Poor (D)	1
None (X)	5
Unknown (U)	6

Occurrence Status

Historical, > 20 years	8
Recent, < 20 years	10

Presence

Presumed Extant	13
Possibly Extirpated	5
Presumed Extirpated	0

Location

CA Endemic Yes

Counties

San Diego (SDG)

States

California (CA)

Quads

Del Mar (3211782), Encinitas (3311713), La Jolla (3211772)*, Point Loma (3211762), Rancho Santa Fe (3311712)*

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

Most historical habitat urbanized. Threatened by foot traffic and non-native plants. See *Phytologia* 66(2):183 (1989) for taxonomic treatment.

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