Rare Plant Status Review: *Taraxacum ceratophorum*
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**Background**
*Taraxacum ceratophorum* is known in California from only a single voucher specimen, which was recently annotated by Luc Brouillet (Flora North America author). This taxon has been treated as a variety of the common dandelion *T. officinale* but according to Brouillet and Baldwin’s examinations of the specimen, it is definitely distinct and should be recognized as *T. ceratophorum*. This species was collected by Victor Duran in 1926 from Mono County near Cottonwood Creek in the White Mountains (9500’). The specimen label info can be viewed here: [http://www.mip.berkeley.edu:8080/servlet/SmaschAccessionDetail?accession_id=UC1297657](http://www.mip.berkeley.edu:8080/servlet/SmaschAccessionDetail?accession_id=UC1297657)

**Recommended Actions**

**CNPS:** Add to CNPS List 2 / RED 3-1-1

**CNDDB:** Add to CNDDB as G5 / S1.3

Please review the draft CNPS *Inventory* record below, respond Yes or No on the proposal to add this species to the Inventory and CNDDB, and provide any edits/comments.

**Draft CNPS *Inventory* record:**

*Taraxacum ceratophorum* (Lebed.) DC.

“horned dandelion”                       Asteraceae

**List 2 / RED 3-1-1**
Mono, NV, OR, ++
431C
Meadows, valley and foothill grassland (mesic); elevation 2895 meters.
Annual herb, blooms June-July.