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# Report for Chorizanthe pungens var. pungens

# TAXON DETAILS

# Classification

Scientific Name	Chorizanthe pungens Benth. var. pungens	
Common Name	Monterey spineflower	
Family	Polygonaceae	
Element Code	PDPGN040M2	
USDA Plants Symbol	CHPUP3	
Synonyms/Other Names		

# **Conservation Status**

California Rare Plant Rank	1B.2	
Global Rank	G2T2	
State Rank	S2	
CESA	None	
FESA	02/04/94 (02/04/94)	
Other Status	BLM_S; SB_SBBG; SB_UCBG	
CRPR Changes		
Date Added	1980-01-01	
Last Update	2023-12-05	

# **Ecology and Life History**

Lifeform	annual herb
Blooming Period	Apr-Jun(Jul-Aug)
Elevation m (ft)	3-450 (10-1475)
General Habitats	Chaparral (maritime), Cismontane woodland, Coastal dunes, Coastal scrub, Valley and foothill grassland
Microhabitat Details	
Microhabitat	Sandy

# Threat List Data from the CNDDB

Threat List Total:		12
	Total EOs	Percent EOs
EOs with Threats Listed	29	57%
Threat List:		
Development	15	29%
Other	12	23%
Non-native plant impacts	11	21%
ORV activity	5	9%
Foot traffic/trampling	5	9%
Agriculture	3	5%
Road/trail construction/maint.	3	5%
Erosion/runoff	2	3%
Biocides	1	1%
Improper burning regime	1	1%
Mining	1	1%
Wood cutting or brush clearing	1	1%

# **Element Occurrence Data from the CNDDB**

Total Element Occurrences:	51	
Element Occurrence Ranks:		
Excellent (A)	6	
Good (B)	12	
Fair (C)	6	
Poor (D)	2	
None (X)	3	
Unknown (U)	22	
Occurrence Status		
Historical, > 20 years	23	
Recent, < 20 years	28	
Presence		
Presumed Extant	48	
Possibly Extirpated	2	
Presumed Extirpated	1	

#### Location

## Counties

Monterey (MNT), San Luis Obispo (SLO)\*, Santa Cruz (SCR)

## States

California (CA)

#### Quads

Espinosa Canyon (3612111), Laurel (3712118), Loma Prieta (3712117), Marina (3612167), Monterey (3612158), Moss Landing (3612177), Prunedale (3612176), Salinas (3612166), San Ardo (3612018), San Juan Bautista (3612175), San Lucas (3612121), San Simeon (3512162)\*, Seaside (3612157), Soledad (3612143), Spreckels (3612156), Watsonville East (3612186), Watsonville West (3612187)

#### 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

Collected in SLO Co. only once (1842). See *Phytologia* 66(2):123-125 (1989) for taxonomic treatment, and *Fremontia* 24(4):8-11 (1996) for taxonomic discussion.

## Threats

Threatened by foot traffic, urbanization, recreational development and activities, agriculture, military activities, and nonnative plants. Possibly threatened by road construction.

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#### Selected References

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