

Report for *Empetrum nigrum*

TAXON DETAILS



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Classification

Scientific Name	<i>Empetrum nigrum</i>
Common Name	black crowberry
Family	Empetraceae
Element Code	PDEMP03020
USDA Plants Symbol	EMNI
Synonyms/Other Names	<u><i>Empetrum hermaphroditum</i></u> <u><i>Empetrum nigrum</i> ssp. <i>hermaphroditum</i></u>

Conservation Status

California Rare Plant Rank	2B.2
Global Rank	G5
State Rank	S1?
CESA	None
FESA	None
Other Status	
CRPR Changes	changed from 2.2 to 2B.2 on 2013-06-12
Date Added	1974-01-01
Last Update	2021-05-26

Ecology and Life History

Lifeform	perennial evergreen shrub
Blooming Period	Apr-Jun
Elevation m (ft)	10-200 (35-655)
General Habitats	Coastal bluff scrub, Coastal prairie
Microhabitat Details	
Microhabitat	

Threat List Data from the CNDDDB

Threat List Total:		2
	Total EOs	Percent EOs
EOs with Threats Listed	1	25%
Threat List:		
Foot traffic/trampling	1	25%
Grazing	1	25%

Element Occurrence Data from the CNDDDB

Total Element Occurrences:	4
Element Occurrence Ranks:	
Excellent (A)	0
Good (B)	0
Fair (C)	0
Poor (D)	0
None (X)	1
Unknown (U)	3
Occurrence Status	
Historical, > 20 years	4
Recent, < 20 years	0
Presence	
Presumed Extant	3
Possibly Extirpated	0
Presumed Extirpated	1

Location

California Endemic	No
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Counties

Del Norte (DNT), Humboldt (HUM)

States

Alaska (AK), California (CA), Michigan (MI), Minnesota (MN), New Hampshire (NH), New Jersey (NJ), New York (NY), Oregon (OR), Vermont (VT), Washington (WA)

Quads

Crescent City (4112472), Sister Rocks (4112462), Trinidad (4112412)

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

Threatened by trampling and cattle grazing. Previously treated as *E. nigrum* ssp. *hermaphroditum*, which has bisexual flowers; most CA plants seem dioecious. See *Four Seasons* 4(4):19-20 (1974) for species account, and *Madroño* 23(5):299 (1976) for discussion of HUM Co. discovery.

Threats

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Selected References

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