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## **Rare Plant Status Review:**

# Ericameria nana

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Ericameria nana is a shrub in the Asteraceae that occurs in pinyon-juniper woodlands between 1465 meters and 2800 meters in elevation. About 10 occurrences are known from California in Inyo, Mono, and San Bernardino Counties. This species is more common outside of California and is known from Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington. This species originally underwent review in 1995 and while many people thought that List 2 was an appropriate listing at that time, CNPS and CNDDB chose to place it on List 4 because so little of the desert mountains area had actually been botanized and the assumption was that there was a lot of potential habitat for this species. However, it has been more than 10 years with no new documented occurrences and while more occurrences of this species will likely be found in the future, a List 2 status seems appropriate given the current information. We know of no significant threats to this species at this time and propose a threat rank of 0.3.

Due to the small number of occurrences in California and the fact that this species occurs in numerous other states; CNPS and CNDDB feel that this species is more rare than its current List 4 status warrants and should be upgraded to CNPS List 2 (plants rare, threatened, or endangered in California but more common elsewhere). Please review the draft *Inventory* record below, provide any updated information, and comment on this proposed ranking and name change.

#### **Recommended Actions**

**CNPS:** Re-rank from CNPS List 4.3 to CNPS List 2.3 **CNDDB:** Re-rank from CNDDB G5, S3.3 to G5, S2.3

### Revised CNPS *Inventory* record:

# Ericameria nana Nuttall

"dwarf goldenbush"

Asteraceae

## List 2.3

Inyo, Mono, San Bernardino; Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and elsewhere 226D [Cima Dome/3511535], 323B [Echo Canyon/3611646], 326A [Panamint Butte/3611743], 350D [Cerro Gordo Peak/3611757], 369B [Tin Mountain/3611784], 369C [White Top Mountain/361774], 410C [Last Chance Mtn./3711736], 431A [Dyer/3711861], 434C [Bloody Mtn./3711858], 435D [Crystal Crag/3711951], 451D [Benton Hot Springs/3711875]

Pinyon and juniper woodland (rocky, carbonate or granitic); elevation 1465-2800 meters. Shrub, blooms July-November.

See Phytologia 68(2): 152 (1990) for revised nomenclature.