

Changed name to *Elodium blandowii* and CRPR from 2B.3 to 2B.2 on 2021-05-26

**Non-Substantive Name Change: *Helodium blandowii* to *Elodium blandowii***  
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*Helodium blandowii* (Web. & Mohr) Warnst. is a moss in Helodiaceae included in the CNPS Inventory and CNDDDB as a California Rare Plant Rank 2B.3, G4 / S2 species (see the CNPS Online Inventory for additional information at <http://www.rareplants.cnps.org/detail/2076.html>).

This moss now goes by a different name, *Elodium blandowii* (F. Weber & D. Mohr) Eckel. The generic name *Elodium* (Sull.) Austin (typified by *E. paludosum* Austin) is older than *Helodium* Warnst. (typified by *H. blandowii*) and therefore has priority when these names are applied to the same genus (Eckel 2012).

The new name *Elodium blandowii* appears in Eckel's (2014) treatment for the *Flora of North America* vol. 28, in the recently published book on *Rare Bryophytes of Oregon* (Exeter et al. 2016), and on NatureServe (2021). Jim Shevock (17 Feb. 2021, pers. comm.) also believes the correct name is now *Elodium blandowii*.

During a California Bryophyte Working Group meeting, *Elodium blandowii* was recommended to change in threat rank from 0.3 to 0.2 due to all California occurrences being small and in grazed areas, with trampling as a big issue (CBWG 2015).

Based on the above information, *Helodium blandowii* will undergo a non-substantive name change to *Elodium blandowii* and change from 2B.3 to 2B.2 in the CNPS Inventory and CNDDDB.

Current Name in CNPS <i>Inventory</i>	Revised Name in CNPS <i>Inventory</i>
<i>Helodium blandowii</i> (Web. & Mohr) Warnst.	<i>Elodium blandowii</i> (F. Weber & D. Mohr) Eckel

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