

Rare Plant Inventory

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Report for Melica spectabilis

TAXON DETAILS Classification

Scientific Name Melica spectabilis Scribn.

Common Name purple onion grass

Family Poaceae

Element Code PMPOA3X0G0

USDA Plants Symbol MESP

Synonyms/Other Names

Conservation Status

California Rare Plant Rank4.3Global RankG5State RankS4CESANoneFESANone

Other Status

CRPR Changes

 Date Added
 1988-01-01

 Last Update
 2022-03-01

Ecology and Life History

Lifeform perennial rhizomatous herb

Blooming Period May-Jul

Elevation m (ft) 1200-2600 (3935-8530)

General Habitats Lower montane coniferous forest, Meadows

and seeps, Upper montane coniferous forest

Microhabitat Details

Microhabitat Mesic

Threat List Data from the CNDDB

Threat List Total:		0
	Total EOs	Percent EOs
EOs with Threats Listed	0	0%
Threat List:		

Element Occurrence Data from the CNDDB

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

Location

California Endemic	No
Counties	
Lassen (LAS), Plumas (PLU)	

States

California (CA), Colorado (CO), Idaho (ID), Montana (MT), Nevada (NV), Oregon (OR), Utah (UT), Washington (WA), Wyoming (WY)

Quads

Ash Valley (4112016), Grizzly Valley (3912085)

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

Threats

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Selected References

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