

**Report for *Cirsium occidentale* var. *lucianum*****TAXON DETAILS****Classification**

<b>Scientific Name</b>	<i>Cirsium occidentale</i> (Nutt.) Jeps. var. <i>lucianum</i> D.J. Keil
<b>Common Name</b>	Cuesta Ridge thistle
<b>Family</b>	Asteraceae
<b>Element Code</b>	PDAST2E1Z6
<b>USDA Plants Symbol</b>	
<b>Synonyms/Other Names</b>	

**Conservation Status**

<b>California Rare Plant Rank</b>	1B.2
<b>Global Rank</b>	G3G4T2
<b>State Rank</b>	S2
<b>CESA</b>	None
<b>FESA</b>	None
<b>Other Status</b>	
<b>CRPR Changes</b>	added to 1B.2 on 2011-04-08
<b>Date Added</b>	2011-04-08
<b>Last Update</b>	2021-11-05

**Ecology and Life History**

<b>Lifeform</b>	perennial herb
<b>Blooming Period</b>	Apr-Jun
<b>Elevation m (ft)</b>	500-750 (1640-2460)
<b>General Habitats</b>	Chaparral (openings)
<b>Microhabitat Details</b>	
<b>Microhabitat</b>	Disturbed areas, Roadsides, Rocky (often), Serpentine, Slopes (often)

### Threat List Data from the CNDDDB

<b>Threat List Total:</b>		5
	<b>Total EOs</b>	<b>Percent EOs</b>
<b>EOs with Threats Listed</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Threat List:</b>		
Improper burning regime	2	20%
ORV activity	1	10%
Recreational use (non-ORV)	1	10%
Road/trail construction/maint.	1	10%
Vandalism/dumping/litter	1	10%

### Element Occurrence Data from the CNDDDB

<b>Total Element Occurrences:</b>	10
<b>Element Occurrence Ranks:</b>	
Excellent (A)	0
Good (B)	0
Fair (C)	0
Poor (D)	0
None (X)	0
Unknown (U)	10
<b>Occurrence Status</b>	
Historical, > 20 years	4
Recent, < 20 years	6
<b>Presence</b>	
Presumed Extant	10
Possibly Extirpated	0
Presumed Extirpated	0

### Location

<b>California Endemic</b>	Yes
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#### **Counties**

San Luis Obispo (SLO)
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#### **States**

California (CA)
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#### **Quads**

Atascadero (3512046), Lopez Mtn. (3512035), Morro Bay North (3512047), San Luis Obispo (3512036), Santa Margarita Lake (3512034)
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#### **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**

Known only from fewer than 10 extant occurrences in the southern Santa Lucia Mtns. Of SLO Co. Possibly threatened by fire suppression. Similar to var. *californicum*. Not in *The Jepson Manual* (1993). See *Sida* 21(1):207-219 (2004) for original description.

## **Threats**

## **Taxononmy**

## **Selected References**

**CNPS Status Review:** CRPR List Addition on 2011-04-08

## **Suggested Citation**

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