

Ventura County Locally Important Plants

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Ventura County considers locally important species to be significant biological resources, and the Ventura County General Plan goal for biological resources is to preserve and protect significant biological resources. Therefore, potential impacts from discretionary development on locally important plants must be evaluated.

The following species are known to meet the criteria for Locally Important Plants.¹

A

Acanthomintha obovata ssp. *cordata*, heartleaf thorn mint
Alisma plantago-aquaticum, common or broadleaf water-plantain
Allium howellii var. *clokeyi*, Mount Pinos onion
Allium praecox, early onion
Allophyllum divaricatum, straggling gilia, purple false gilia
Amaranthus californicus, California amaranth
Ammannia coccinea, long-leaved or purple ammannia
Amsinckia spectabilis var. *spectabilis*, seaside fiddleneck
Antirrhinum ovatum, oval-leaved snapdragon
Aphanisma blitoides, aphanisma
Astragalus whitneyi var. *whitneyi*, Whitney's milk-vetch, balloonpod milk-vetch
Atriplex californica, California saltbush
Atriplex coulteri, Coulter's saltbush
Atriplex leucophylla, whiteleaf, beach saltbush or seascale
Atriplex pacifica, Pacific saltbrush, south coast saltscale
Atriplex serenana var. *davidsonii*, Davidson's bractscale
Atriplex watsonii, Watson's saltbush, matscale

B

Baccharis emoryi, Emory's baccharis
Botrychium simplex, least moonwort, little grapefern

C

Calandrinia breweri, Brewer's calandrinia, Brewer's redmaids
Calandrinia maritima, seaside calandrinia
Calochortus palmeri var. *palmeri*, Palmer's mariposa lily
Calochortus plummerae, Plummer's mariposa lily
Calochortus weedii var. *vestus*, Weed's mariposa lily, late flowered mariposa lily

¹ This list will be updated annually starting January 2012. For more information on the annual updates, see the information sheet titled Locally Important Species Criteria on the following website:
http://www.ventura.org/rma/planning/ceqa/bio_resource_review.html

Camissonia palmeri, Palmer's primrose, Palmer's sun cup
Carex pansa, sand dune sedge
Carex triquetra, triangular fruit sedge
Castilleja attenuata, valley tassels, narrow-leaved owl's clover
Caulanthus coulteri var. *lemmonii*, Lemmon's jewel flower
Caulanthus inflatus, desert candle
Ceanothus papillosus var. *papillosus*, wartleaf ceanothus
Centromadia parryi ssp. *australis*, southern tarplant
Chaenactis stevioides, desert pincushion, Steve's dustymaiden
Cheilanthes newberryi, Newberry's lipfern
Chorizanthe clevelandii, Cleveland's spineflower
Chorizanthe membranacea, pink spineflower
Chorizanthe procumbens, prostrate spineflower
Cirsium scariosum, elk thistle
Clarkia purpurea ssp. *viminea*, purple clarkia
Collomia tinctoria, yellow staining collomia
Convolvulus simulans, small-flowered morning-glory
Coreopsis calliopsidea, leafy-stemmed coreopsis
Cornus sericea ssp. *sericea*, American or creek dogwood
Crassula aquatica, water pygmy weed
Cryptantha corollata, coast range cryptantha, crowned forget-me-not
Cryptantha maritima, seaside or white-haired forget-me-not
Cryptantha torreyana, Torrey's cryptantha
Cyperus laevigatus, smooth flatsedge

D

Delphinium gypsophilum ssp. *gypsophilum*, gypsum larkspur
Delphinium inopinum, unexpected larkspur
Delphinium parryi ssp. *blochmaniae*, dune larkspur, Blochman's larkspur
Delphinium parryi ssp. *purpureum*, Mount Pinos larkspur
Delphinium umbraculorum, umbrella larkspur
Dicentra pauciflora, few flowered bleeding heart
Dichondra occidentalis, western dichondra
Dodecatheon alpinum, alpine shooting star
Downingia bella, Hoover's downingia
Dudleya abramsii ssp. *parva*, Conejo dudleya
Dudleya blochmaniae ssp. *blochmaniae*, Blochman's dudleya
Dudleya caespitosa, coast dudleya, sand lettuce

E

Elatine californica, California waterwort
Eleocharis quinqueflora, few flower spikerush
Eleocharis rostellata, beaked spikerush, walking sedge
Elodea canadensis, common waterweed

Eriastrum hooveri, Hoover's woollystar
Ericameria cooperi var. *cooperi*, Cooper's goldenbush
Ericameria parryi var. *aspera* (*Chrysothamnus parryi* ssp. *asper*), rough Parry's
Rabbitbrush
Eriodictyon traskiae, Trask's yerba santa, Pacific yerba santa
Eriogonum crocatum, Conejo buckwheat
Eriogonum kennedyi var. *alpigenum*, southern alpine buckwheat
Eriogonum ordii, Fort Mojave buckwheat
Eriogonum wrightii var. *membranaceum*, Wright's buckwheat
Erysimum insulare ssp. *suffrutescens*, island wallflower

F

Fritillaria ojaiensis, Ojai fritillary

G

Galium cliftonsmithii, Santa Barbara bedstraw
Geranium californicum, California geranium, California cranesbill
Gilia latiflora ssp. *cuyamensis*, Cuyama gilia
Gilia latiflora ssp. *davyi*, broad flowered gilia

H

Helenium bigelovii, Bigelow's sneezeweed
Hesperevax sparsiflora var. *sparsiflora*, few flowered evax, erect dwarf cudweed
Hesperochiron californicus, California hesperochiron
Hesperochiron pumilus, dwarf hesperochiron
Heuchera cespitosa, tufted alumroot
Hieracium albiflorum, white flowered hawkweed
Hollisteria lanata, false spineflower
Hordeum brachyantherum ssp. *brachyantherum*, meadow barley
Hordeum intercedens, vernal barley
Horkelia cuneata ssp. *puberula*, coast or wedgeleaf horkelia
Hulsea vestita ssp. *gabrielensis*, San Gabriel mountains sunflower
Hutchinsia procumbens, prostrate hutchinsia

I

Imperata brevifolia, satintail
Isoetes howellii, Howell's quillwort

J

Juncus acutus ssp. *leopoldii*, southwestern spiny rush, Leopold's rush
Juncus macrandrus, long anthered rush

Juncus patens, spreading rush

L

Lasthenia ferrisiae, Ferris' goldfields, alkali goldfields
Lasthenia glabrata ssp. *coulteri*, Coulter's goldfields
Layia heterotricha, pale yellow layia, pale yellow tidytips
Lepidium dictyotum var. *dictyotum*, alkali pepperweed
Lepidium dictyotum var. *acutidens*, alkali pepperwort
Lessingia glandulifera var. *peirsonii*, Peirson's lessingia
Lewisia pygmaea, pygmy bitter root
Linaria canadensis var. *texana*, rough seeded blue toad flax
Lycium andersonii, Anderson's desert thorn

M

Madia sativa, coast tarweed
Malacothrix glabrata, desert dandelion
Malacothrix incana, dunedelion
Marsilea vestita ssp. *vestita*, hairy pepperwort, hairy water clover
Meconella denticulata, small flowered fairy poppy
Mentzelia affinis, yellow blazing star, yellow comet
Mirabilis multiflora var. *pubescens*, desert four o'clock
Monanthochloe littoralis, shoregrass
Monardella hypoleuca ssp. *hypoleuca*, white leaf or thickleaf monardella
Monardella linioides ssp. *oblonga*, Flax-like monardella
Monardella undulata, curly-leaved monardella
Mucronea californica, California spineflower
Myosurus minimus, common mousetail
Myrica californica, California wax myrtle, Pacific wax myrtle

N

Navarretia peninsularis, southern California navarretia
Nemacladus capillaris, common nemacladus, common threadplant
Nolina cismontana, chaparral or peninsular beargrass

O

Opuntia basilaris var. *basilaris*, beavertail cactus
Opuntia parryi, cane or snake cholla
Orcuttia californica, California Orcutt grass
Orobanche valida ssp. *valida*, Rock Creek broomrape
Oxytheca caryophylloides (*Sidotheca caryophylloides*), chickweed oxytheca
Oxytheca parishii var. *parishii*, Parish's oxytheca
Oxytheca parishii var. *abramsii*, Abrams' oxytheca

Oxytheca trilobata, three lobed oxytheca

P

Papaver californicum, western or fire poppy

Pedicularis densiflora, Indian warrior

Pentachaeta fragilis, fragile pygmy daisy, fragile pentachaeta

Pentachaeta lyonii, Lyon's pentachaeta

Perityle emoryi, Emory's rock daisy

Phacelia exilis, Transverse Range phacelia

Phlox austromontana, mountain phlox

Pilularia americana, American pillwort

Pinus flexilis, limber pine, white pine

Pinus sabiniana, foothill pine, gray pine, pinon pine

Plagiobothrys undulatus, undulate popcornflower, coast allocarya

Platanthera sparsiflora, sparse flowered bog orchid

Plectritis ciliosa ssp. *insignis*, showy plectritis, longspur seablush

Plectritis macrocera, white plectritis, long horn plectritis

Polemonium micranthum, small Jacob's ladder, annual polemonium, annual sky pilot

Polygonum polygaloides ssp. *kelloggii*, Kellogg's knotweed

Polystichum imbricans ssp. *imbricans*, narrowleaf sword fern, rock sword fern

Polystichum imbricans ssp. *curtum*, cliff sword fern, imbricate sword fern

Pyrola picta, white veined wintergreen, white veined shinleaf

Q

Quercus palmeri, Palmer's oak, desert oak

R

Ribes amarum var. *amarum*, bitter gooseberry

Ribes aureum var. *gracillimum*, slender golden currant

Rigiopappus leptocladus, Rigiopappus, wire weed

S

Sagittaria sanfordii, Sanford's arrowhead, valley arrowhead

Salicornia bigelovii, Bigelow's pickleweed, dwarf saltwort

Salvia carduacea, thistle sage

Salvia dorrii var. *pilosa*, hairy sage

Satureja douglasii, yerba buena

Schoenoplectus saximontanus, Rocky Mountain bulrush

Senecio aphanactis, rayless ragwort

Sidalcea neomexicana, salt spring checkerbloom, mountain sidalcea

Stillingia linearifolia, narrow leaved stillingia, linear leaved stillingia

Streptanthus campestris, southern jewelflower

Suaeda esteroa, estuary seablite, seablite
Suaeda taxifolia, woolly seablite
Syntrichopappus lemmonii, Lemmon's syntrichopappus, pinkray Fremont's gold

T

Trichostema micranthum, small flowered bluecurls
Trichostema ovatum, San Joaquin bluecurls

V

Veratrum californicum var. *californicum*, California false hellebore, California corn lily
Verbena bracteata, bigbract verbena, bracted verbena

Y

Yucca brevifolia f. *herbertii*, Herbert's Joshua tree

Note: For more information on these species, including habitat and distribution information, there are several useful websites:

California Native Plant Link Exchange: <http://www.cnplx.info/query.html>

Calflora: <http://calflora.org/>

Jepson Online Interchange: <http://ucjeps.berkeley.edu/interchange.html>

NatureServe's Explorer:

<http://www.natureserve.org/explorer/servlet/NatureServe?init=Species>