

Not R2 Sensitive Species and Not of Concern

Recommendations and Evaluations

Common Name: Wyoming besseya

Scientific Name: *Besseya wyomingensis*

Recommendation: Not R2 Sensitive Species and Not of Concern

Recommendation Rationale:

This species occurs from southern Alberta and western MT to northern UT, northern CO, western SD, and western NE. It is widespread and abundant in WY – known from 22 of 23 counties and over 300 locations. It's extremely common in foothill and mountainous areas of WY, including all 5 national forests and national grasslands in R2. It is ranked S5 in WY, S4 in NE, and SR in SD. *B. wyomingensis* is ranked S1 in CO where it is at the extreme southern periphery of its global range. This species is not disjunct in CO, merely at the periphery of its range. It is abundant and widespread in other areas of R2 that fall within its distributional range. Consequently, we recommend this species is not R2 sensitive and of no concern at this time.