

Not R2 Sensitive Species and Not of Concern

Recommendations and Evaluations

Common Name: dwarf alpine hawksbeard

Scientific Name: *Crepis nana* ssp. *nana* (*Askellia nana*)

Recommendation: Not R2 Sensitive Species and Not of Concern

Recommendation Rationale:

Askellia nana is a small alpine plant of circumboreal distribution, and found at high elevations throughout much of the western U.S. In Region 2, it is known from Colorado and Wyoming, representing the southeastern periphery of the species range. There are at least 26 recent collections in western Wyoming mostly from the Absaroka range but extending south to Sweetwater Co. This species has been reported from the GMUG, PSICC, ARP, and the WRNF in Colorado. While the distribution in Region 2 is patchy, the species is found on several national forests in widely distributed locations in the Region. Most of the collections of this plant from Region 2 have been made in the 1990's. Its habitat at high elevation is largely inaccessible, and no risks are currently anticipated. We recommend that this species be ranked not R2 sensitive and not of concern now.