

R2 Individual Species Recommendations

TAXON	Scientific Name			Common Name		
PD	<i>Penstemon jamesii</i>			James' beardtongue		
FWS	FS	BLM				
	SS (2003)					
Grank	CO S Rank	WY S Rank	SD S Rank	NE S Rank	KS S Rank	
G4	S1				SX	
	CO Status	WY Status	SD Status	NE Status	KS Status	
IUCN	PIF – Area Importance		PIF – Population Trend			
FS Experts assigned Species Evaluation			Non-NFS Experts assigned Species Evaluations			
Steve Olson, PSICC			1. Caleb Morse, KANU (Univ. of KS) 2. Janice McKee, FWS			
Sensitive Species Recommendation (Please check 1 box below)						
	<input type="checkbox"/> R2 Sensitive Species (SS)		<input type="checkbox"/> Not R2 SS, but should be considered for other Emphasis Species Lists			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Not R2 SS and Not of Concern Now		<input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Information Available to make a recommendation			
Recommendation Rationale						
<p>Heil and Bleakly (2006) report that, “Penstemon jamesii may have been extirpated from Region 2. There is one known herbarium specimen from Las Animas County, Colorado and an historic occurrence in Kansas that was apparently an unsuccessful introduction. The Colorado specimen was likely collected on private land near what is now the Comanche National Grassland. Although searches for this species have been conducted, it has not been relocated in Region 2.” They also state that, “No actual threats to Penstemon jamesii have been identified to date.” Steve Olson, Forest Botanist on the PSICC, concurs that the species is unlikely to occur on NFS lands in R2. Sensitive species must be known or “likely” to occur on NFS lands, therefore this species does not merit designation as sensitive.</p>						

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Heil, K.D. and D.L. Bleakly. (2006, November 28). *Penstemon jamesii* Benth. (James' beardtongue): a technical conservation assessment. [Online]. USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Region. Available: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/projects/scp/assessments/penstemonjamesii.pdf> [Accessed March 8, 2007].