

Not R2 SS, consider for other Emphasis Species Lists

Recommendations and Evaluations

Common Name: Alberta Arctic

Scientific Name: *Oeneis alberta*

Recommendation: **Not R2 SS, consider for other Emphasis Species Lists**

Recommendation Rationale:

Range of the species in Colorado (subspecies *oslar*) is limited to Middle and South Parks, where it appears to be reasonably common. Colonies are highly localized, occurring in grasslands. Host plants are *Festuca* grasses, although the adults may occasionally nectar on low flowers. Habitat does not seem to be especially limited, but is vulnerable to alteration or destruction by overgrazing, development, or invasive species. Because it is an endemic with very limited and localized distribution, we recommend that the Forests where it occurs consider this species for local emphasis species lists.