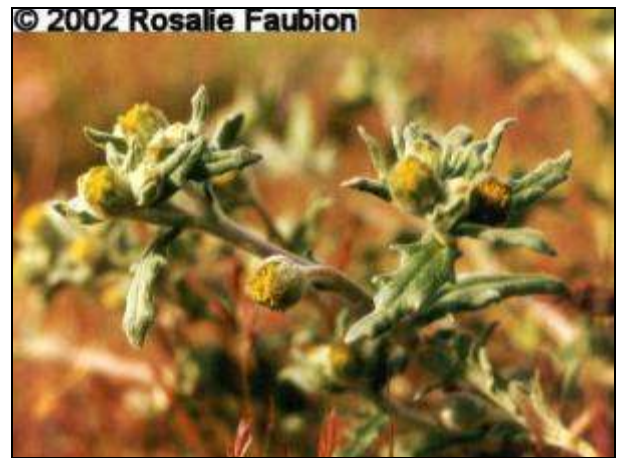


**SAN JOAQUIN WOOLLY-THREADS
(MONOLOPIA (=LEMBERTIA) CONGDONII)**

Federal/California status: Endangered/--
California Native Plant Society List 1B



Description

The common name "woolly-threads" comes from the many long trailing stems covered with tangled hairs. Stems range from 3 to 18 inches (7.5 to 46 cm) in length. Plants may also be tiny and erect with a single stem. Tiny yellow flower heads are clustered at the tips of the stems and branches. Each flower head is approximately 0.25 inch long and contains two types of florets (the tiny flowers characteristic of the aster family); the 4-7 outer florets differ in shape from the many inner florets.

San Joaquin woolly-threads is an annual. It typically flowers between late February and early April, but may continue into May if conditions are right.

Habitat

San Joaquin woolly-threads occurs in annual grassland and saltbush scrub habitats.

Range/distribution

Within the project area, it occurs in Fresno, Kings, Kern, and San Benito counties, and formerly occurred in Tulare County.

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