CONSERVATION STRATEGY AND SPECIES MANAGEMENT GUIDE

FOR

GRINDELIA HOWELLII (Howell's gumweed)

ON THE LOLO NATIONAL FOREST

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INTRODUCTION

Forest Service sensitive plant species, designated by the agency's Regional Foresters, are species "for which population viability is a concern, as evidenced by significant current or predicted downward trends in 1) population numbers or density and/or 2) habitat capability that would reduce a species' existing distribution" (FSM 2670.5). Forest Service management practices should "avoid or minimize impacts" on sensitive species to ensure they do not become threatened or endangered because of Forest Service actions and to maintain viable populations of all native species throughout their geographic range on National Forest System lands (FSM 2670.22 and 2670.32). Where impacts cannot be avoided, the agency will analyze "the significance of potential adverse effects on the population or its habitat within the area of concern and on the species as a whole" (FSM 2670.32). For sensitive species, effects are considered adverse if they "contribute to a trend toward federal listing or loss of viability for the species".

The Forest Service, along with other Federal and State agencies, has recognized the need for special planning considerations in order to protect the flora and fauna on the lands in public ownership. Species recognized by the Forest Service as needing such considerations are those that (1) are designated under the Endangered Species Act as endangered or threatened, (2) are under consideration for such designation, or (3) appear on a regional Forest Service Sensitive Species list.

Additionally, the Lolo Forest Plan addresses the preservation of sensitive species in Forest Plan Standard 27 (USFS 1986). The standard states: "...For plant and animal species that are not threatened or endangered, but where viability is a concern (i.e. sensitive species), manage to maintain population viability..."

The objective of this Management Guide is to present recent survey information and outline a plan for the management of *Grindelia howellii* on the Lolo NF in Montana. The guide is designed to ensure the species' survival through time and prevent the need for its listing as federally threatened or endangered.

The guide is divided into two major sections. The first summarizes the most recent biological information about *Grindelia howellii*. The second section identifies the management strategies needed to conserve and enhance the species. This guide will be updated periodically as new information is obtained.

BIOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Description and Nomenclature

Howell's gumweed (Grindelia howellii) is a short-lived perennial in the Asteraceae

(Composite/Aster/Sunflower) family. This gumweed has stems up to 35 inches in length that are woody at the base and clustered on a taproot. The basal leaves are lance-shaped, broadest toward the tip, and up to 7 to 8 inches long. The basal rosettes are similar looking to the noxious weed, spotted knapweed (*Centaurea maculosa*); the two species are usually found together in the project area. Herbage is sticky (resinous) and have hairs with glands at the tip (glandular). Flowers are yellow and formed during the second year of growth. The yellow rays are less than 0.5 inches long and are typical of the composite family which includes asters, daisies, and sunflowers. This plant flowers in July and August.

Howell's gumweed is a highly restricted regional endemic to northern Idaho^{*} and western Montana. The species exhibits an unusual distribution pattern with two disjunct populations centers located some 150 miles apart: Benewah County in Idaho and Missoula and Powell Counties in Montana. All of the Idaho populations of Howell's gumweed occur on lands administered by the St. Joe National Forest. The Montana populations are distributed across all landownerships from private, State of Montana, BLM, and Forest Service (Lolo and Flathead NFs).

| Scientific Name: | Grindelia howellii Steyerm. |
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| Family: | Asteraceae or Compositae (Sunflower) |
| Common Name: | Howell's gumweed, Howell's gumplant |
| Synonymy: | potentially Grindelia paysonorum St. John, Payson's gumweed |

Distinguishing Features and Similar Species

This species is similar to the more common curlycup gumweed (*Grindelia squarrosa*) and Idaho gumweed (*Grindelia nana*). However, Howell's gumweed is distinguished by having glandular, often hairy, rather than hairless (glabrous), stems and resinous foliage. Howell's gumweed has been found to hybridize with curlycup gumweed making identification difficult.

A review of the *Grindelia* species in 2012 determined Howell's gumweed also corresponds to the characteristics of Payson's gumweed (*Grindelial paysonorum*) as well (Bartoli and Tortosa 2012). Diagnostic features of Payson's gumweed include the radiate heads, the acuminate phyllaries, in graduated, six or seven series, the somewhat clasping leaves, with stipitate and sessile glandular trichomes scattered across both blade surfaces.



Photo 1: Acuminate phyllaries.

Range and Distribution

Howell's gumweed is a regional endemic species, divided in distribution between northern Idaho and western Montana. It is currently known to occur in Montana in Missoula and Powell Counties, including on the Seeley Lake Ranger District of the Lolo NF (other sites include the Swan Lake District of the Flathead NF, Lincoln Ranger District of the Helena-Lewis and Clark NF, private lands, and roadways).

A report on the conservation status of Howell's gumweed was published in 1986, and was updated in 1991. In 1986, there were 55 known populations in Montana. Four new populations were located from 1987 to 1989 (Pavek 1991). By 1991, there were 60 known locations in Montana. Management actions identified as potential negative impacts in the 1991 update to the conservation strategy were herbicide spraying, cattle grazing, and lack of awareness of known populations. Since 1991 the Lolo NF has been striving to protect individual sub-populations by an avoidance strategy from management actions where known sub-populations of Howell's gumweed occur. This is similar to if not an increase from the 1991 assessment; some of which can be explained from land exchanges and an increase in awareness to protect known populations.

The Montana Natural Heritage NatureServe mapping systems identifies 153 locations for Howell's gumweed across the Seeley-Swan and Blackfoot Valleys (which includes the locations on Seeley Lake RD) for approximately 22,476 genets on 2,511.3 acres. The Seeley-Swan and Blackfoot Valleys includes the

region from Gold Creek to north of Ovando (Blackfoot Valley) and Clearwater Crossing to Condon (Seeley-Swan Valley), equating to approximately 1,849 miles². Populations on the Flathead NF and Swan Lake RD are in good condition based on surveys completed in 2018 in relation to a noxious weed roadside treatment project (pers. comm. Delay 2018), as are Idaho populations (pers. comm. Hays 2018). Currently, there are 16 mapped populations on the Lolo NF according to the Forest Service national database known as NRIS (data retrieved August 2018). Along with three populations in Idaho, these are currently the only documented locations of Howell's gumweed on NFS lands.

In 2016, a plant habitat detection model was developed for Howell's gumweed on the Lolo and Flathead National Forests (Ingegno 2017). The model used habitat characteristics, slope, aspect, and elevation of existing populations to identify potential habitat. Field verification surveys took place from July 19 – 22, 2016 during flowering. Over 16,300 acres were classified as moderate or high probability habitat in the modeled area. Within survey transects, 31% of habitat was classified as "likely" by the field technician; however, no new populations were observed.

In 2017, a genetic study was done to determine if the known populations on the Seeley Lake RD are genetically distinct or similar to individual populations as those found in Idaho and on the Lincoln Ranger District. The results indicate that the populations on the Seeley Lake RD are all genetically similar and could be considered a meta-population. The results also indicate that there is sufficient cross pollination between populations on the Seeley Lake RD to sustain the genetic diversity needed to perpetuate the meta-population (NFGEL 2017). (Of note: The study determined the Lincoln RD population was most likely a hybrid population between *G. howellii* and *G. squarrosa* and recommended the Idaho population be re-keyed to another species due to the vast genetic difference.)

In 2018, the known locations were visited again to determine if the Rice Ridge Fire had significant impacts on the populations. As the site were located, it became apparent, resource protection measures were not implemented and resulted in a loss of several sub-populations. Results are listed in Table 1.

Background Information

The largest known sub-population of Howell's gumweed on the Seeley Lake RD is a sub-population that is approximately 52 acres with 9,130 genets on the road prism of RD 17465, 46146, 46152, 46153, 46148, and 46149. Genets are located within and adjacent to the roadbed surface. Together with the smaller sub-population along West Morrell Road (RD 4353), these occurrences of Howell's gumweed are considered core population areas for the species within the Seeley RD. Other sub-populations are considered satellite or incidental populations, and though they contribute to the overall genetic diversity to the meta-population, their role in the viability of the meta-population is less than the core populations. There is an additional satellite sub-population in the Horseshoe Hills area (outside the project area but on Seeley Lake RD) that is also intact and is approximately 25 ft.² with 18 genets.

Howell's gumweed populations are typically found growing on disturbed roadsides, where a seasonal supply of moisture is available for plant growth. This plant has been found at elevations from 3,350-5,500 feet, with the majority of locations at 4,000-4,500 feet. In 2017, prior to the Rice Ridge Fire, there were nine sub-populations known within the Center Horse TAP project area. Locations were observed and monitored in 2017 as part of a genetic study (NFGEL 2017) and were marked prior to a noxious weed treatment contract in 2016.

Table 1. Monitoring Results for the nine Howell's gumweed Locations (2018)

| Associated Road | Howell's Gumweed | Current Howell's | Activity causing |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| | Population Size Pre- | Gumweed | impacts |
| | 2018 surveys | Population Size | |
| Intersection of Black | 0.8 acres, 200 – 300 | No plants observed | Crushing (past) |
| Canyon (RD 4385) and | genets | | |
| Cottonwood Lakes Road | | | |
| (RD 477) | | | |
| Remick Spur (RD 17507) | 0.4 acres, 150 genets | No plants observed | Culvert installation (past) |
| Cottonwood Lakes Road (RD 477) | 0.4 acres, 100 genets | No plants observed | Log decking (past) |
| Cottonwood Lakes Road | 0.1 acres, 50 genets | No plants observed | Blading (past, |
| (RD 477) | | | ongoing) |
| Cottonwood Lakes Road | 0.1 acres, 30 – 50 | No plants observed | Herbicide application |
| (RD 477), near Monture | genets | | (past, ongoing) |
| East Morrel (RD 467) | 0.2 acres, 150 genets | Plant observed but | Herbicide application |
| | | curled due to | (past, ongoing) |
| | | herbicide application | |
| West Morrel Road (RD 4353)* | 2.1 acres, 412 genets | 2.1 acres, 350 genets | Intact |
| West Dry Road (RD | 0.2 acres, 50 genets | 0.01 acre, 14 genets | Intact |
| 16377) | | | |
| RDs 17465, 46146, | 52 acres, 9,130 genets | 52 acres, 9,130 | Intact |
| 46148, 46149, 46152, | | genets | |
| and 46153 * | | | |
| *Core populations | | | |

Reproductive Biology and Genetic Analysis

Howell's gumweed appears to be a seral species that prefers early successional sites and tolerates lightly to heavily disturbed habitats (Shelly 1986). Very little is known about the reproductive biology of Howell's gumweed except that it is a short-lived perennial. No evidence of asexual reproduction has yet been observed (Shelly 1986). Outcrossing as well as selfing is likely and possible pollinators include bumblebees, which have been observed visiting flowers in Montana (Shelly 1986). Seed dispersal by animals and vehicles is probable, since the involucre is extremely sticky and can easily adhere to passing objects. However, the disjunct distribution of the population was documented before vehicles and should not be considered the main dispersal method.

In 2017, leaf samples were collected from nine populations of *G. howellii*, one population of *G. squarrosa*, and one population of a putative *G. squarrosa X G. howellii* hybrid. The Clear Creek (Idaho) population of *G. howellii* was also sampled while all the other samples occurred in Montana. At each population, 3-5 leaves per individual were collected from 16 to 33 individual plants; thus, a total of 280 plants were sampled. The only exception to this occurred at the *G. squarrosa* "Blue Mountain" population, where 3-5 leaves were collected from 7 individual plants.

Microsatellite loci and samples from *G. howellii* and *G. squarrosa* populations were examined to determine genetic diversity and possible hybridization. The main questions to be answered in this study

were: 1) Are the *G. howellii* populations' sizes, genetic diversity, and variability ideal to preserve genetic integrity? 2) How do the genetics of *G. howellii* interact with conservation efforts, restoration, and management for this species? 3) How closely related are *G. howellii* and *G. squarrosa*? 4) What is the relationship between geographic range size and levels of genetic diversity in *G. howellii* and *G. squarrosa*?

The findings are as follows:

(1) Are the *G. howellii* populations' sizes, genetic diversity, and variability ideal to preserve genetic integrity?

The number of total individuals in the sampled populations varies greatly (30 - 8,800), but genetic diversity is not strikingly different across populations. If we accept the general northern, central, and eastern groupings of the Seeley Lake (Montana) populations as 'meta-populations', the northern meta-population has lower genetic diversity than the central and eastern meta-populations. If the northern populations are large, the relatively low genetic diversity could be of concern.

(2) How do the genetics of *G. howellii* interact with conservation efforts, restoration, and management for this species?

Our results do not indicate any immediate threat to the sampled populations in terms of low genetic diversity, and indeed the Montana populations seem to be acting as a large meta-population, with few genetic differences between populations. In particular, SO-143 is found along a road that may be developed in the future. Looking at its genetic diversity and the STRUCTURE results, it is not distinctly different from SO-148 and SO-82/83. However, it does have a private allele found only in that population. If the population is destroyed, it may be worth transplanting individuals and/or collecting seeds to add to the SO-148 and SO-82/83 populations.

(3) How closely related are G. howellii and G. squarrosa?

Species identification within Grindelia is hard due to the wide range of morphological variation within and among species, and previous genetic studies have found that 'species' aren't always unique genetic units. The putative hybrid population in this study, SO-171, is quite distinct from the other *G. howellii* Montana populations. However, if it is a hybrid, we'd expect it to share genetics with both the Blue Mountain population of *G. squarrosa* and Montana populations of *G. howellii*. However, Blue Mountain, though different from the Montana populations, isn't strikingly so – as a different species, we'd expect it to be quite distinct. The SO-171 population could be a hybrid, or it could be that geographic distance from the other Montana populations has led to genetic differentiation.

The Clear Creek (Idaho) population is also quite distinct. This could be because of geographic distance or because it is not *G. howellii*. At this point, it is recommend collecting from more populations of *G. squarrosa* and putative hybrid populations.

(4) What is the relationship between geographic range size and levels of genetic diversity in lineages? Without more G. squarrosa populations, population genetic levels to range sizes cannot be corelated. The single included putative G. squarrosa population doesn't have markedly different levels of genetic diversity compared to the G. howellii populations.

Endangerment Status

The species was proposed for Threatened status in 1978 when extant populations were known to be only nine populations in the Swan Range (in Powell and Missoula counties), Montana and on the St.

Maries River in Benewah County, Idaho. An environmental assessment was completed to list the species as threatened with critical habitat which was reviewed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The species was considered a Category 2 candidate species, under the Endangered Species Act in 1990 (USDI Fish and Wildlife Service 1990). In 1991 it was still considered a candidate species (Pavek 1991). The state ranking for Howell's gumweed is S2, S3 with a global ranking of G3 because of "very limited and/or declining population numbers, range and/or habitat, making it vulnerable to global extinction or extirpation in the state".

At present, Howell's gumweed is listed as a Sensitive Plant Species for Region 1 of the Forest Service and the Montana Bureau of Land Management. A "Threats Reporting Form" was submitted to the Montana Natural Heritage Program to update the status of populations found on the Seeley Lake Ranger District, Lolo National Forest.

Threats

In 2018, following the Rice Ridge Fire, the sites were monitored for population trends post-fire. Only two of the nine sub-populations were observed at this time. Six locations were covered over or directly impacted by fire suppression actions, BAER or other post fire road maintenance actions. Fire suppression deck sales and noxious weed treatments also may have impacted sub-populations (Table 1). Although Howell's gumweed survives on disturbed sites, it is unlikely these satellite sub-populations will recover based on past monitoring efforts and the permanency of some of the disturbances. Pavek 1991 and Shelly 1986 demonstrate sub-populations are impacted by disturbance causing actions such as road maintenance and weed spraying that can cause direct removal of the plant and disturb the seedbank.

Post Wildfire Road Restoration and Maintenance

The Rice Ridge Fire (2017) burned a considerable amount of vegetation, causing potential threats to the road system from excess runoff. In order to get ahead of the potential disasters, roads were maintained and improved immediately after the fire. Culverts were installed, roads bladed, and machinery was parked on top of known sub-populations of Howell's gumweed. Due to the permanency of most of the improvements and the disturbance of the seed bank, the sub-populations are not expected to return.



Photo 2: Culvert located at a GRHO sub-population site

Timber Removal Projects

One of the known sites of a sub-population was along the Cottonwoods Lake Road. In an effort to create a fuel break during the Rice Ridge Fire and prevent the fire from entering the town of Seeley Lake, the roadside of Cottonwoods Lake Road was heavily thinned, and the timber was decked along the sides of the road (see photo below). The sub-population under the log deck has the best likelihood of recovery since individual plants may be located between logs placed on the ground.

Several sub-populations occur along the sides of roads identified for haul routes as part of the Rice Ridge Salvage project. Roads identified for hauling are improved to allow for various equipment to travel to the cutting unit and haul away timber. Improvements could include culverts, widening, drainage, etc. and increased traffic associated with the project and administration. All these things are considered threats to sub-populations that occur on the road, in the median of the road, or alongside the road because, in some cases, avoidance will not be possible.





Herbicide Application

During monitoring completed in 2018, it was observed that the population along East Morrell Road (RD467) was sprayed with herbicide. It is unknown if individuals will recover. Herbicide applications are usually restricted around Howell's gumweed locations.



Photo 4: The sprayed GRHO population along RD 467

Center Horse Transportation Analysis Plan (TAP)

The Center Horse TAP will be implemented in the near future. What started as a landscape restoration project (Center Horse) was interrupted by the Rice Ridge Fire which removed a good portion of the vegetation that was to be managed by Forest Service actions. The Center Horse Tap will provide for a minimum number of roads to support future resource management and public recreation access while emphasizing protection of water quality and soils, fish and wildlife habitat and visual quality. This will be accomplished by constructing about 2.6 miles of road as part of road re-routes and decommissioning 2.1 miles of road that would be abandoned as a result of the re-routing. The main roads that would be re-routed would be the Cottonwood Lakes Road (FSR 477) at Dunham Creek, North Fork of Cottonwood Creek, and at Shanley Creek. Road 56087 would also be re-routed. These actions will have the greatest impact on Howell's gumweed populations. The Center Horse TAP also includes decommissioning 110 mile of road and storing an additional 27.8 miles of road. The most relevant decommissioning is along

West Morrell Road (FSR 4353) which could potentially eliminate a core population without the implementation of resource protection measures.

Survey Methods and Findings

Section still to be completed: Surveys will occur on Forest Service, BLM, State of Montana (FWP and DNRC), TNC, and private lands where allowed access. See Management Plan below

Future Threats

Road maintenance and herbicide application to treat noxious weeds along road sides will continue to threaten potential habitat and possible future sub-populations.

MANAGEMENT PLAN

Currently Under Review

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APPENDIX A – TES Plant Element Occurrence Field Form (USFS 2008) **® = REQUIRED**

| | | General Informa | tion | | |
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| 1) SITE ID: | | 2) DATE: | | 3) SITE NAME | |
| 4) NRCS PLANT CODE: | GRHO | | | | |
| 5) SCIENTIFIC NAME: G | RINDELIA HO | OWELLII | | | |
| 6) RECORD SOURCE: | | 7) SURVEY ID: | | 8) Survey Nan | ne: |
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| 13) E.O. # ® | | 14) State: Montana | | 15) COUNTY: MISSOULA / PO | WELL |
| 16) REGION: R1 | 17) Fores | T: Lolo | 18) DISTR | RICT: SEELEY LAP | KE |
| 19) Area (Est) ®: | | | 20) Area | UOM ®: Acr | es Ft² |

Element Occurrence Data

| 22) EO Canopy Cover | B: %Cov: | or Cover Clas | s Code: | 23) Lifeform: |
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| 24) Number of subpop | ulations ®: | | 25) Plant Found (Re | evisit) ®: Yes or No |
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| 29) Revisit needed - Ye | es or No | 30) Revisit | Date ®: | |
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| 32) Phenology by % (Sum to 100%): Vegetative Flower/Bud Fruit/Dispersed Seedlings/ Juvenile | 34) Evidence of d | disease, com | petition, predation, c | or, density, phenology, dispersal) |
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| Site Morphometry | | |
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| 48) Soil Type: | | | 49) Light Exposure: |
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| 51) Potential Veg | | | | | |
| 52) Ecotype | | | | | |

Habitat Quality and Management Comments®

| 53) Habitat Description: | |
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| 54) Dominant Process: | |
| 55) Process Comment: | |
| 56) Community Quality (L, M, H): | 57) Landscape Integrity (L, M, H): |
| 58) Disturbance/Threats (present or imminent): | |
| 59) Disturbance/Threats Comment: | |
| 60) Non-Native Comment: | |
| 61) Current Land Use Comment: | |

Canopy Cover®

| Record % canopy cover by actual percent, or by cover class (as indicated in General Information Block). | | | | |
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| Tree | | Bare | | |
| Shrub | | Gravel | | |
| Forb | | Rock | | |
| Graminoid | | Bedrock | | |
| Non-vascular | | Moss | | |
| Lichen | | Litter/Duff | | |
| Algae | | Basal Veg | | |
| | | Water | | |
| | | Road surface | | |
| | | Lichen | | |

Associated Species®

List species directly associated with the EO species on this site. Record the NRCS Plant Code, scientific name or both. If desired, indicate lifeform, dominant species, % cover for each species and flag non-native species.

64) Completeness of Species List: ®* C, R, or S

65) Species List Comment:

| 66) NRCS Plant Code | 67) Scientific Name | 68) Life Form | 69) Dom. (Y/N) | 70) % Cov or Class | 71) Non- native |
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| Other Collectors – Last Name: | First Name: | М.І. | |
| 74) Collection #: ®* | 75) ID Confirmed: ®* Y: or N: | or Questionable: | |
| 76) Verification: | | | |
| 77) Specimen Repository: ®* SITE ID: | | | |

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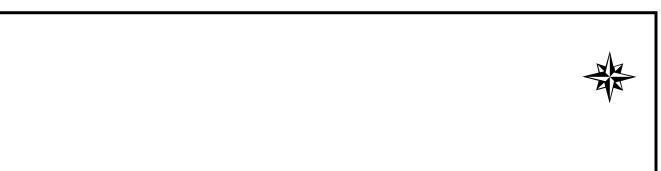
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Location Information®

(State, County, Region, Forest, District will be auto-populated by the database application when the spatial feature is entered)

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90) Sketch of Site or Area®



91) General EO Comments, as necessary

APPENDIX B – Survey Site Revisit in 2019

| Element Occurrence Number | Survey Site | (Shelly) 1986 Observations | (Pavek) 1990 Observations | 2019 Observations |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| 001 | Holland Lake | 1500-2000 | * | |
| 002 | Monture Creek | 1000's | * | |
| 003 | Blanchard Lake | * | * | |
| 004 | Sunflower Mountain | * | * | |
| 005 | Blanchard Flats | 14 | * | |
| 006 | Vaughn Ranch | 9 | 6 | |
| 007 | McNamara Bridge | * | * | |
| 008 | Potomac | * | * | |
| 009 | Blue Slide | * | * | |
| 010 | Salmon-Seeley Road | 14 | * | |
| 011 | Clearwater Access | * | * | |
| 012 | Jones Lake | 42 | 10 | |
| 013 | Spring Creek | 49 | * | |
| 014 | Angevine | * | * | |
| 015 | Greenough Roadside | * | * | |
| 016 | Holland-Pierce Creek | * | * | |
| 017 | Condon | * | * | |
| 018 | Dick Creek | 150-200 | 797 | |
| 019 | Ovando-Champion | 250-300 | 1594 | |
| 020 | Mollet Park | 500-600 | 272 | |
| 021 | Mollet Park South | 70-90 | 125 | |
| 022 | Martin Park | 50 | * | |
| 023 | Doney Lake | 60 | 86 | |
| 024 | Vaughn Creek | 54 | 1 | |
| 025 | Placid-Lost Prairie Road | 45 | 248 | |
| 026 | Horsehead Road | 325-400 | * | |
| 027 | Lost Horse Creek | 200-250 | 11 | |
| 028 | Lost Horse Road | 45 | 6 | |
| 029 | Lost Horse Spur Road | 175-200 | 536 | |
| 030 | Lost Horse-Blanchard Road | 85 | 60 | |
| 031 | Blanchard Uplands | 800-1000 | * | |
| 032 | Spring Creek Lake | 16 | * | |
| 033 | Dick Creek East | 38 | 84 | |
| 034 | Pearson Creek | 228 | 61 | |
| 035 | Blackfoot Roadside | 80 | 0@ | |
| 036 | Blackfoot Roadside II | 15 | 130# | |
| 037 | Champion Game Range Road | 126 | * | |

Total numbers of individuals in Grindelia howellii populations 1986-1990.

| Element | Survey Site | (Shelly) 1986 | (Pavek) 1990 | 2019 |
|----------------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Occurrence | | Observations | Observations | Observations |
| Number | | | | |
| 038 | Upsata Lake | 250-300 | 648 | |
| 039 | Upsata-Woodworth | 350-400 | 172 | |
| | Junction | | | |
| 040 | Cottonwood Creek | 1200-1400 | 4 | |
| 041 | Blackfoot Backroads | 68 | 42 | |
| 042 | Woodworth | 500-600 | * | |
| 043 | Monture Creek Access | 225-250 | 7 | |
| 044 | Clearwater Backroad | 150-160 | 415 | |
| 045 | Shanley Creek | 44 | * | |
| 046 | Lower Cottonwood | 27 | 21 | |
| | Road | | | |
| 047 | Cozy Corners | 3000 | >3000 | |
| 048 | Spring Creek Road | 40 | 1 | |
| 049 | Owl Creek Uplands | 140 | * | |
| 050 | Placid Lake Clearcut | 8 | * | |
| 051 | Barber Creek | 12 | * | |
| 052 | South Fork Barber | 23 | * | |
| | Creek | | | |
| 053 | Greenough School | 500-600 | * | |
| | Pasture | | | |
| 054 | Little Fish Creek | 27 | * | |
| 055 | Greenough | 150 | * | |
| 056 | Smith Creek | 30-40 | * | |
| 057 | Elk Creek | 40 | 9 | |
| 058 | Black Canyon Road | 300 | * | |
| | Junction | | | |
| 059 | Lost Prairie Creek | 150 | * | |
| 060 | Glacier Creek Road | * | 9 | |
| *Population no | ot surveyed in 1986 or 1990 | C | | |
| # New subpopu | ulation; main population w | vas not seen | | |
| @ Population a | apparently extirpated | | | |