

HIGH-ARCTIC DANDELION, NORTHERN DANDELION

Taraxacum hyparcticum

Aster Family (Asteraceae)

Habitat: Gravelly, sandy silt; north-facing slopes, marine/ lacustrine deposits

DISTRIBUTION

Yukon: North coast Yukon; known only from Ptarmigan Bay

North America: Arctic areas, Alaska, Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut

World: Arctic North America, Greenland, Eurasia

CONSERVATION RANK

Global rank: Not Yet Ranked (GNR)

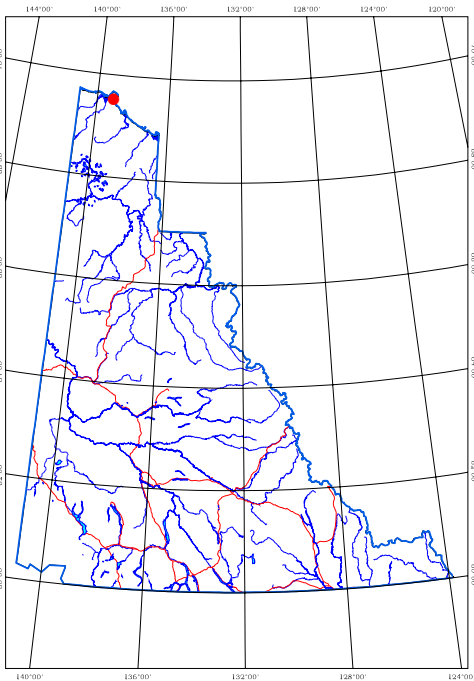
Canadian rank: Probably Secure (N4)

Yukon rank: Critically Imperilled (S1)

Distinguishing features: This high arctic native dandelion is separated from other *Taraxacum* species by having large and broadly open, cream-coloured to white or pink flowers with outer, abiaxial, pinkish stripes. It is a low-growing plant (5-12 cm tall). Hornless or with very small horns.



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