Conservation Status Assessment

**Scientific Name:** Cortinarius variipes

**Classification:** Fungus

**Assessment area:** Washington

**Heritage Rank:** S3

**Rank Date:** 3/9/2017

Rank Reasons: Around 12 occurrences, many in protected areas. S. Loring says “S/M records show an additional occurrence in Snohomish Co, but close in proximity to other known occurrences in the same county; the very slight increase in WA range is negligible and the additional single occurrence does not change the rarity/occurrence factor.”

**Range Extent:** F = 20,000-200,000 sq km (~8,000-80,000 sq mi)

Comments: Around 37,000 sq. km range.

**Population Size:** Not assessed

Comments: None

**Number of Occurrences:** B = 6 - 20

Comments: Around 12 occurrences in Washington.

**Area of Occupancy:** D = 6-25 4-km² grid cells

Comments: Mostly one grid cell or 2 for each of the 12 occurrences.

**Good Viability:** C = Few (4-12) occurrences with excellent or good viability or ecological integrity

Comments: Around 7 occurrences are in protected areas. Found in Mount Rainier National Park, Olympic National Park, Ocean City State Park, and Lake Cushman State Park.

**Environmental Sensitivity:** Not Evaluated

Comments: None

**Short Term Trends:** Not Evaluated

Comments: None

**Long Term Trends:** Not Evaluated

Comments: None

**Threat Impact:** C = Medium

Comments:
More than half of the Washington occurrences are in protected areas. The other occurrences could be threatened by logging or other development.

**Intrinsic Vulnerability:** Not Evaluated

**Comments:** None

**Calculated Rank:** S3

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**Rank Reviewer:** Scot Loring

**References:**
No additional references listed.

**Definitions and Resources:**

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Suggested citation:

More assessments available at [http://inr.oregonstate.edu/orbic/rare-species/ranking-documentation](http://inr.oregonstate.edu/orbic/rare-species/ranking-documentation)

Element rank calculator resources at [http://www.natureserve.org/conservation-tools/conservation-rank-calculator](http://www.natureserve.org/conservation-tools/conservation-rank-calculator)

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