Oregon Status Factors

Elcode IMGASC7038

Gname MONADENIA FIDELIS OCHROMPHALUS

YELLOW-BASED SIDEBAND **Gcomname**

Number of Occurrences

Z = 0 (zero)

Comments No cited occurrences, but range is thought to extend north from California into Oregon as far as

Josephine County (Kelley et al., 1999).

Number of Occurrences with Good Viability

U = Unknown what number of occurrences with good viability

Comments Unknown

Population Size

U = Unknown

Comments Unknown

Range Extent

D = 1,000-5,000 km 2 (about 400-2,000 square miles)

Comments Range may extend as far north as Josephine County, Oregon (Kelley et al., 1999).

Area of Occupancy

U = Unknown

LU = Unknown

Comments Unknown

Long-term Trend in Population Size, Extent of Occurrence, Area of Occupancy, and/or Number or Condition of Occurrences

U = Unknown. Long-term trend in population, range, area occupied, or number or condition of occurrences unknown

Present knowledge of this subspecies is based on limited collecting, all of which occurred prior to Comments

the early 1960s. The historic known sites need to be reverified (Burke et al., 1999).

Short-term Trend in Population Size, Extent of Occurrence, Area of Occupancy, and/or Number or Condition of Occurrences

U = Unknown. Short-term trend in population, range, area occupied, and number and condition of occurrences unknown.

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Threats

U = Unknown. The available information is not sufficient to assign degree of threat as above. (Severity, scope, and immediacy are all unknown, or mostly [two of three] unknown or not assessed [null].)

Scope Unknown Severity Unknown Immediacy Unknown

Comments

Given that little information is available about the habitat needs of the species, the following statements can be applied: In general, land snails cannot tolerate extremely dry (xeric) conditions, have restricted ranges, and are slow to disperse. Consequently, they are very vulnerable to management activities that increase temperature, decrease moisture, or decrease food supplies available in populated sites. Habitat alteration by either human or natural means (including fire, herbicide use, recreation development), over-collecting, and disturbance during aestivation may constitute major threats. The species" very small known range and close association with riparian zones further suggests that habitat alteration, which would result in a decrease of existing shade, woody debris and leaf litter, increased soil compaction, or major flood events by either human or natural means, might constitute specific threats to the species. Grazing activities that remove vegetative cover and compact the soil are of greatest concern. Disturbance of refuge areas by grazing animals during the aestivation periods is likely to cause mortality (Burke et al., 1999).

Number of Appropriately Protected and Managed Occurrences

A = None. No occurrences appropriately protected and managed

Comments There are no known protected occurrences in Oregon.

Intrinsic Vulnerability

B = Moderately Vulnerable. Species exhibits moderate age of maturity, frequency of reproduction, and/or fecundity such that populations generally tend to recover from decreases in abundance over a period of several years (on the order of 5-20 years or 2-5 generations); or species has moderate dispersal capability such that extirpated populations generally become reestablished through natural recolonization (unaided by humans). Ecological community occurrences may be susceptible to changes in composition and structure but tend to recover through natural processes given reasonable time (10-100 years).

Comments

This subspecies lives for at least several years and is probably sexually active in the fall, with the young hatching in the spring. Egg masses are probably white, laid in small hollows in the soil under cover, and may consist of as many as 120 eggs, with more than one clutch in a season (Burke et al, 1999).

Environmental Specificity

B = Narrow. Specialist or community with key requirements common.

C = Moderate. Generalist or community with some key requirements scarce.

Comments

Found in stable riparian zones within semi-dry mixed deciduous and conifer forests, but not necessarily restricted to riparian zones. Late successional forest with high canopy closure, a mixed conifer and hardwood component, and the presence of large, down woody debris or rock talus is considered optimum habitat. This species has been found under logs, in rocky areas, and on pine needle and oak leaf litte (Kelley et al., 1999). Monadenia fidelis ochromphalus has been found on leaves and sticks, on concrete walls of an irrigation ditch, and on mossy boulders and stones. Forest litter in the semi-dry areas inhabited by these species is considered to be an important habitat component. This species is tolerant of drier conditions than most Monadenia fidelis subspecies, but not as adapted to dry conditions as Monadenia chaceana or Monadenia troglodytes (Burke et al., 1999).

Other Considerations

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BCD Sources

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