

Oregon Status Factors

Elcode NBHEP3C020
Gname TRITOMARIA EXSECTIFORMIS
Gcomname LIVERWORT

Number of Occurrences

E = >300

Comments The ISMS database contains records from about 10 sites in Oregon.

Number of Occurrences with Good Viability

C = Few (4-12) occurrences with good viability

Comments Estimated 5 occurrences Oregon with good viability.

Population Size

B = 50-250 individuals

Comments Estimated 200 individuals in Oregon.

Range Extent

E = 5,000-20,000 km² (about 2,000-8,000 square miles)

Comments Estimated range is about 8000 square miles in Oregon. Known only from above 3000 feet in the Cascade Range. Known sites, all near or east of the Cascade crest, suggest an interior/continental distribution.

Area of Occupancy

A = <0.4 km² (less than about 100 acres)

LA = <4 km (less than about 2.5 miles)

Comments Estimated area of occupancy is 20 acres in Oregon

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

D = Moderate Decline (decline of 25-50%)

Comments Moderate long-term decline of 25-50% in Oregon. Local impacts from logging. Associated with permanent, cold-water streams representing refugia that are less abundant now than in previous times. Dispersal is thus inhibited and less likely over time. Long term viability is dependent on the longevity of populations at established sites.

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

D = Declining. Decline of 10-30% in population, range, area occupied, and/or number or condition of occurrences

Comments Short-term decline of 10-30% in Oregon, for reasons cited above.

Threats

F = Widespread, low-severity threat. Threat is of low severity but affects (or would affect) most or a significant portion of the population, occurrences, or area. Ecological community occurrences are not threatened severely, with changes reversible and recovery moderately rapid.

Scope Moderate **Severity** Low **Immediacy** Moderate

Comments Widespread, low-severity threat at southern edge of range, but secure farther north. Logging and stream degradation are ongoing threats. Acid rain and climate change are potential threats.

Number of Appropriately Protected and Managed Occurrences

A = None. No occurrences appropriately protected and managed

Comments No sites are protected in Oregon.

Intrinsic Vulnerability

C = Not Intrinsically Vulnerable. Species matures quickly, reproduces frequently, and/or has high fecundity such that populations recover quickly (< 5 years or 2 generations) from decreases in abundance; or species has high dispersal capability such that extirpated populations soon become reestablished through natural recolonization (unaided by humans). Ecological community occurrences are resilient or resistant to irreversible changes in composition and structure and quickly recover (within 10 years).

Comments Not intrinsically vulnerable. Plants are small and fragile, but reproduce readily by spores and fragmentation of gametophytes. Plants will recolonize sites when suitable habitat and substrate are present, but this depends on the availability of inoculum from nearby populations.

Environmental Specificity

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

Comments Narrow environmental specificity. Closely associated with permanent, cold-water streams. Located on peaty or humic soil and rotting wood, often on creek banks where perpetually shady, cool and moist.

Other Considerations

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Reasons

About 10 sites in Oregon. Estimated 5 occurrences Oregon with good viability. Estimated 200 individuals in Oregon. Estimated range is about 8000 square miles in Oregon. Estimated area of occupancy is 20 acres in Oregon. Moderate long-term decline of 25-50% in Oregon. Short-term decline of 10-30% in Oregon. Widespread, low-severity threat at southern edge of range. No sites are protected in Oregon. Not intrinsically vulnerable. Narrow environmental specificity.

BCD Sources

New Sources

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