Plants 2006 List Changes (Updated February 2006)

Red List Changes

Taxa	
	Added to the Red List
Aster ascendens	Only 3 extant sites in S BC. High uncertainty in true status; may be threatened in habitat in cut-over forest, at campsite, near ditch, poorly inventoried and likely difficult to ID, thus the need for larger range rank.
	New Status Rank: S1S3 (formerly S2S3)
Bolboschoenus fluviatilis	Only two sites, one of which is dubious, with threats likely significant but more information needed & thus the need for larger range rank.
	New Status Rank: S1S2 (formerly S2S3)
Botrychium lineare	This species, new to the BC flora, was collected in Mt. Robson Prov. Park in 2005.
	New Status Rank: S1
Carex comosa	Few recently known sites in habitats more threatened than previously considered.
	New Status Rank: S2 (formerly S2S3)
Cirsium scariosum	Only 2 extant, 1 historic site in SE BC. High uncertainty in true status; plentiful remote probably unthreatened habitat; poor inventory suggests possible additional locations but not confirmed thus, need for larger range rank.
	New Status Rank: S1S3 (formerly S2S3)
Drosera linearis	This species, new to the BC flora, was collected in Mt. Robson Prov. Park in 2005.
	New Status Rank: S1
Epilobium mirabile	Only 3 sites in S BC -Manning Park. High uncertainty in true status -near parking lot and along trail where possibly threatened but more inventory needed to confirm, thus the need for a larger range rank.
	New Status Rank: S1S3 (formerly S2S3)
Epilobium saximontanum	Only 2 sites in SE BC. High uncertainty in true status; probably plentiful potential habitat, possibly not threatened, and difficult to ID, thus, the need for a larger range rank.

	New Status Rank: S1S3 (formerly S2S3)
Eriogonum androsaceum	Single site in extreme SE BC in prov. Park. High uncertainty in true status; plentiful potential habitat and poorly inventoried, thus need for a larger range rank.
	New Status Rank: S1S3 (formerly S2S3)
Eriogonum pyrolifolium var. coryphaeum	Only 3 sites in Cathedral prov. Park. High uncertainty in true status; no directed inventory to confirm liklihood of other sites; plentiful habitat and unlikely any threats, thus need for a larger range rank.
	New Status Rank: S1S3 (formerly S2S3)
Gentianopsis macounii	Only 2 sites in S BC in Yoho natl. park. High uncertainty in true status since plentiful potential habitat, poor inventory effort and perhaps more sites and unknown risk, thus need for a larger range rank.
	New Status Rank: S1S3 (formerly S2S3)
Isoetes minima	Known from only a few specialized niches around Castlegar, <i>Isoetes minima</i> was over-looked as part of the BC flora until recent consideration deemed it an important entity of conservation concern.
	New Status Rank: S1
Limnanthes macounii	New inventory data presented in COSEWIC status report made a good case for threatened status.
	New Status Rank: S2 (formerly S3)
Melica fugax	This species, new to the BC flora, was collected in E.C. Manning Prov. Park in 2004 from two locations and verified by experts in 2005.
	New Status Rank: S2
Oenothera pallida ssp. pallida	New inventory data revealed that this taxon is much more atrisk than previously known.
	New Status Rank: S1 (formerly S3)
Phacelia heterophylla	This species has been known from a few locations in the Bridesville area in southern BC since 1998 but until recently was not considered a good entity easily separated from <i>P. hastata</i> .
	New Status Rank: S1
Plantago canescens	Single site (perhaps 2) in SE BC. High uncertainty in true status; plentiful remote probably unthreatened habitat; poor inventory suggests possible additional locations but not

	confirmed thus, need for larger range rank.
	New Status Rank: S1S3 (formerly S2S3)
Selaginella oregana	Only 2 sites W Coast, 1 historic. High uncertainty in true status: plentiful remote, probably, unthreatened habitat and poor inventory effort which suggests possible additional locations, thus the need for larger range rank.
	New Status Rank: S1S3 (formerly S2S3)
Viola purpurea var. venosa	Only 2 sites in S BC in Manning Prov. Park. High uncertainty in true status: plentiful remote, probably unthreatened, habitat and poor inventory effort which suggests possible additional locations, thus need for larger range rank.
	New Status Rank: S1S3 (formerly S2S3)
Viola septentrionalis	Few sites in SC BC. High uncertainty in true status: poor inventory effort which suggests possible additional locations, possibly threatened and likely difficult to ID, thus need for larger range rank.
	New Status Rank: S1S3 (formerly S2S3)
	Removed from the Red List
Allium geyeri var. tenerum	There are now 19 extant 5 historic sites for this taxon in BC; threats significant in coastal sites, but which number far fewer than interior sites that appear to be more secure.
	New Status Rank: S2S3 (formerly S2)
Douglasia alaskana	Single known collection of this species from Atlin Lake was re-identified to another Blue-listed taxon, D. gormanii.
	New Status Rank: SNA (or falsely reported; formerly S1)
Shepherdia argentea	This species was falsely reported in BC based on an occurrence that was planted; the status could, however, change in the future since it has the potential to occur in our jurisdiction.
	New Status Rank: SNA (or falsely reported; formerly S1)
Sphenopholis intermedia	Recent inventory suggests much more common and not at risk; Blue list.
	New Status Rank: S3 (formerly S2)
Sporobolus compositus var. compositus	Recent inventory suggests much more common and not at risk; Blue list.
	New Status Rank: S3 (formerly S1)

	Conservation Status Rank Changes
Carex tumulicola	This species occurs in many more sites than previously thought; it is only threatened in some of those sites.
	New Status Rank: S2 (formerly S1)
Polystichum lemmonii	The review of the status of this species as presented in the COSEWIC status report made a good case for a threatened status opposed to a more severe rating of Endangered.
	New Status Rank: S2 (formerly S1)

Blue List Changes

Taxa	
	Added to the Blue List
Allium geyeri var. tenerum	See Above – Removed from Red List
Juncus occidentalis	New to the BC flora, this species was excluded until recent collections on SE Vancouver Island confirmed its presence.
	New Status Rank: S2S3
Lewisia columbiana var columbiana	This species rank was upgraded following a review of new inventory data and deemed to be of higher conservation concern than previously thought.
	New Status Rank: S3 (formerly S3S4)
Linaria anadensis var. texana	This species rank was upgraded to reflect its occurrence in a declining ecosystem on SE Vancouver Island.
	New Status Rank: S3 (formerly S3S4).
Sphenopholis intermedia	See Above – Removed from Red List
Sporobolus compositus var. compositus	See Above – Removed from Red List
Thysanocarpus curvipes	This species rank was upgraded to reflect its occurrence in a declining ecosystem on SE Vancouver Island.
	New Status Rank: S3 (formerly S3S4).
	Removed from Blue List
Aster ascendens	See Above – Added to Red List
Bolboschoenus fluviatilis	See Above – Added to Red List
Carex comosa	See Above – Added to Red List
Cirsium scariosum	See Above – Added to Red List
Clarkia pulchella	Recent inventory suggests much more common and not currently at risk; watch list.
	New Status Rank: S3S4 (formerly S3).
Claytonia rubra ssp. depressa	Recent inventory suggests much more common and not

	currently at risk; watch list.
	New Status Rank: S3S4 (formerly S3)
Epilobium mirabile	See Above – Added to Red List
Epilobium saximontanum	See Above – Added to Red List
Eriogonum androsaceum	See Above – Added to Red List
Eriogonum pyrolifolium var.	See Above – Added to Red List
coryphaeum	
Eriophorum vaginatum ssp.	Recent inventory suggests much more common and not
vaginatum	currently at risk; watch list.
	New Status Rank: S3S4 (formerly S3)
Gentianopsis macounii	See Above – Added to Red List
Limnanthes macounii	See Above – Added to Red List
Oenothera pallida ssp. pallida	See Above – Added to Red List
Plantago canescens	See Above – Added to Red List
Selaginella oregana	See Above – Added to Red List
Viola purpurea var. venosa	See Above – Added to Red List
Viola septentrionalis	See Above – Added to Red List

Nomenclature Changes

Former Name	New Name
Oxytropis jordallii var. jordallii	Oxytropis campestris var. jordallii
Oxytropis jordallii var. davisii	Oxytropis campestris var. davisii