

2016 Plants

Conservation Status Rank Review and Changes

Vascular Plants

- There were 53 vascular plants added to the BC Flora list, including 19 Exotic species. Some additions were the result of new collections, while others were the result of re-identification of herbarium specimens. There were 11 new taxa resulting from taxonomic splits (reported on the "New and Deleted" and the "Taxonomic and Name Changes" tabs in the downloadable Excel file on the changes page).
- There were 8 taxa removed from the BC Flora mostly due to misidentifications and new taxonomical treatments.
- 102 scientific names were changed. In addition to the taxonomic splits mentioned above, 30 varieties and subspecies were lumped, including several *Potentilla* species which have undergone revisions to species circumscriptions and names as a result of molecular phylogenetic studies and a recent continental assessment of the genus.
- Provincial conservation status ranks were reviewed for 51 taxa and adjusted for a total of 45 taxa.