



Petition to List, Reclassify or Delist a Plant Species in Oregon

Submission Instructions

1. Review the criteria for listing, reclassifying or delisting plant species.

Summary of listing/reclassifying/delisting criteria

In order to be considered for listing as threatened or endangered in Oregon, a plant species must meet all of the following criteria:

- Name and description validly published or accepted for publication
- Native to Oregon
- Likely to become endangered within the foreseeable future throughout all or any significant portion of its geographic range
- Natural reproductive potential in danger of imminent or continual failure

In addition, any listed species must also face at least one of the following threats:

- Most of the species' populations are undergoing imminent or active deterioration of range or habitat
- An over-utilization of the species or its habitat is likely to occur
- Existing state or federal programs and regulations are inadequate to protect the species or its habitat

In order to be considered for delisting or reclassification (from endangered to threatened), it must be determined that none of the above factors are true of the species in question, and that the species is not in danger of becoming extinct throughout all or any significant portion of its geographic range.

2. If the species meets the criteria, fill out the Petition to List, Reclassify, or Delist Form, attach all supporting documentation to the back of the form, and submit to:

Director
Oregon Department of Agriculture
635 Capitol Street NE
Salem, Oregon 97301-2532

3. After the petition has been submitted, the following steps will occur:

- Within 30 days of receiving petition, the Director acknowledges the submission of the petition in writing
- Within 90 days of receiving petition, the Director notifies petitioner in writing whether or not there is sufficient scientific evidence to proceed
- Within two years of receiving the petition, the Director notifies petitioner of the final determination and the reasons for that determination. If the Director denies the petition, petitioner may seek judicial review.

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Petition Form

Section I: Species Information

Scientific name and authority of species:

Common name (if any):

Procedure requested:
List

Date petition submitted:

Section II: Petitioner Information

Name:

Title (if applicable):

Affiliation (if applicable):

Street address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Phone: ()

Email:

Section III: Scientific Evidence Supporting Petition

This section requires the petitioner to provide documented scientific evidence supporting the requested change. All information should be cited appropriately. Supporting documentation may be attached to the back of this petition.

1. Are there any outstanding taxonomic problems or questions pertaining to this species?

Yes No

If yes, please provide an opinion pertaining to the outstanding taxonomic questions or problems, rendered by a professional plant taxonomist.

2. Provide detailed information about the existence, or lack thereof, of current or anticipated destruction, modification or curtailment of the species' habitat or geographical distribution.

- a. Describe and document the species' historical and presently known distributions.
- b. Describe and document threats, or lack thereof, to the species' habitat and distribution.
- c. Describe and document any changes in habitat or distribution, and reasons for the changes (if known), such as overutilization for commercial, recreational, scientific, educational, or other purposes.
- d. Describe and document any land conservation practices or actions adversely or positively affecting the species' habitat.
- e. Describe and document measures that have been or could be taken to alleviate a reduction in the distribution or habitat of the species.

3. Provide an analysis of the existence, or lack thereof, of present or threatened failure of the natural reproductive potential of the species, including:

- a. The estimated number of populations, and the estimated number of individuals present in each known population, with documentation of all field inventories completed in support of the petition
- b. Any land actions adversely or positively affecting the species
- c. Any documented or suspected changes in population size and the reasons (if known) for the changes (such as disease, predation, seasonal fluctuation, or overutilization of the species, if any, for commercial, recreational, scientific, educational, or other purposes)

d. A discussion of any additional natural or human-induced factors (with supportive data) affecting the continued existence of the species, including:

i. Climatic, successional, distributional, reproductive, genetic, and other factors (such as competition or predation, or lack thereof, with or by another plant or animal that affects the existence of the species)

ii. The effects of environmental pollution, fire suppression, and other human-related factors on the continued existence of the species

iii. Measures that have been or could be taken to alleviate a reduction in populations of the species

4. Literature Cited