Non-Substantive Name Changes: Multiple taxa in various plant families from the Jepson eFlora revision 11
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The following list of eight taxa included in the CNPS Inventory (2023) and CNDDB (2023) will undergo taxonomic name changes or new family assignments based on new treatments in revision 11 of The Jepson eFlora (Moore et al. 2022, Preston and Wendt 2022, Rabeler 2022, 2022a, JEPS 2023). The list only includes those that are non-substantive, meaning the concept of the plant’s identity and rarity in California did not change, just its name or family assignment. Their previous name in the Inventory will be treated as a taxonomic synonym if applicable, and reference to their revised nomenclatural treatment will be included in the selected references section of the CNPS Inventory if available. The status of these eight taxa will not be affected.

Note that some of the changes in the Asteraceae and Caryophyllaceae instituted by the Jepson eFlora in revision 11 were already made in the CNPS Inventory in 2016, 2021, and 2023 and are not included in this document (Sims and Lazar 2016, Dean et al. 2021, Dean et al. 2023).

The name *Cherleria biflora* (previously *Minuartia biflora* (L.) Schinz & Thell.) is replacing the name *Minuartia obtusiloba* (now classified as *Cherleria obtusiloba*), which was misapplied to California plants. *Cherleria biflora* has a wider worldwide distribution (to Eurasia) than *Cherleria obtusiloba* (restricted to North America) (Moore and Dillenberger 2017). This difference in distribution outside of California in no way affects the rank of *Cherleria biflora* within California; its rank (CRPR 4.3) is based on its within state distribution, and that has not changed (Moore et al. 2022).

Helpful literature supporting and explaining these changes is provided in the Literature Cited section below.

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<th>Current Name in CNPS Inventory</th>
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For Kaitlyn – In addition to name changes, the following edits are needed in original taxon records:

Not sure what to do about the USDA plants symbols and element codes. I still don’t understand when these get changed. It seems like it would be useful to leave the plants symbol until there is a new one. I assume the CNDDB will update the element code?

Minuartia obtusiloba/Cherleria biflora
The distribution outside California has changed for this record, but I am not sure of the exact states, as it has not been updated in Plants and the distribution info in Jeps eFlora and FNA is vague. It now includes Rocky Mountain states (but not sure which), Alaska, Canada, Greenland and Eurasia.
Selected references:
- CNPS Status Review: Proposed Non-Substantive Name Changes: Multiple taxa in various plant families from the Jepson eFlora revision 11 (2023)

Pseudostellaria sierrae / Hartmaniella sierrae
Selected references:
- CNPS Status Review: Proposed Non-Substantive Name Changes: Multiple taxa in various plant families from the Jepson eFlora revision 11 (2023)

Stellaria obtusa / Engellaria obtusa
Selected references:
- CNPS Status Review: Proposed Non-Substantive Name Changes: Multiple taxa in various plant families from the Jepson eFlora revision 11 (2023)

All Polygala to Rhinotropus pages
Selected references:
- CNPS Status Review: Proposed Non-Substantive Name Changes: Multiple taxa in various plant families from the Jepson eFlora revision 11 (2023)

Literature Cited
[CNDDB] California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Natural Diversity Database. 2023. RareFind 5 [Internet application] and CNDDB Maps and Data. Available at: https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Data/CNDDB/Maps-and-Data [accessed June 2023].


Dean, E. A., A. E. Sims, and K. Lazar. 2021. Rare Plant Status Review: Silene campanulata subsp. campanulata, Proposed Change from California Rare Plant Rank 4.2 to 1B.2. California Native Plant Society, Sacramento, California. [Includes name change to Silene greenei ssp. angustifolia.]


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