



# CNPS Inventory of Rare Plants

*Lilium pardalinum* ssp. *pitkinense*, 1b.1. Photo: Amy Patten.

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Since 1974, the CNPS *Inventory of Rare and Endangered Plants of California* has been a widely-recognized resource that directly guides rare plant education, protection, conservation planning, and land acquisition and management in California. The heart of the CNPS *Inventory* is our assessment of the current conservation status of our state's rare, threatened, and endangered plants. Beginning with six print editions from 1974 to 2001, the *Inventory* is now a fully integrated web application that enables species maintenance functions to be performed in the same web-based program, ensuring the immediate release


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The *Inventory* is where conservationists, consultants, planners, researchers, and resource managers go on a daily basis to help educate landowners and public policy makers about the importance of rare plant stewardship and conservation. Individuals preparing environmental documents for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and/or National Environmental Quality Act (NEPA) review often use the *Inventory* to determine the potential for resource conflicts and to develop project-specific lists of rare plants that have the potential to occur on project sites prior to conducting on-site surveys. Conservationists and resource managers use the same information to review environmental documents and prepare public testimony to influence decision-makers.

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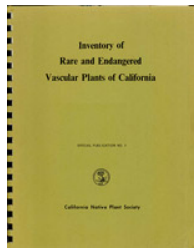
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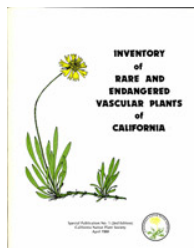
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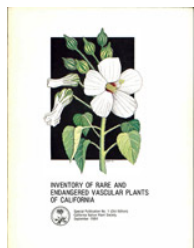
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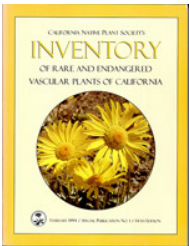
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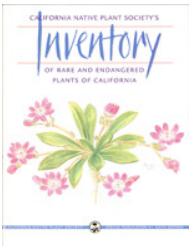
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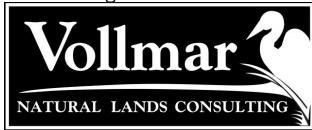
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