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Taxonomy

Scientific Name **Conophytum ectypum N.E.Br. subsp. ignavum S.A.Hammer**

Higher Classification Dicotyledons

Family AIZOACEAE

National Status

Status and Criteria Rare

Assessment Date 2015/06/10

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Justification A rare, range-restricted taxon (EOO 102 km²), known from three subpopulations. It is not threatened.

Distribution

Endemism South African endemic

Provincial distribution Northern Cape

Range Eastern Bushmanland west of Springbok.

Habitat and Ecology

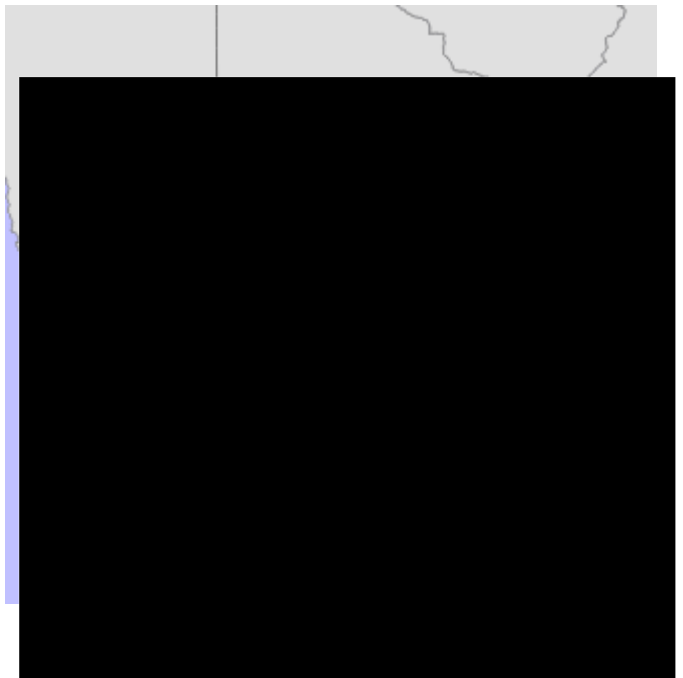
Major system Terrestrial

Major habitats Succulent Karoo

Description Quartz patches and ridges, in sun and shade.

Threats

There are no known significant past, ongoing or future threats that are likely to lead to this taxon's extinction. One subpopulation occurs on farmland used for



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livestock grazing, but it is not affecting the subpopulation as plants occur in places that are generally inaccessible to livestock.

Population

This taxon is known from three subpopulations, each consisting of at least 500 individuals. The population is not suspected to be declining.

Population trend Stable

Assessment History

Taxon assessed	Status and Criteria	Citation/Red List version
Conophytum ectypum N.E.Br. subsp. ignavum S.A.Hammer	Rare	2017.1
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