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Taxonomy

Scientific Name	Conophytum fulleri L.Bolus
Higher Classification	Dicotyledons
Family	AIZOACEAE
Synonyms	Conophytum wiesemannianum Schwantes

National Status

Status and Criteria	Least Concern
Assessment Date	2015/06/10
Assessor(s)	A.J. Young
Justification	A range-restricted (EOO 1463 km ²), but locally very common species known from more than 10 locations. Although a few subpopulations are potentially threatened by habitat loss to mining, this species is not yet considered to be in danger of extinction.

Distribution

Endemism	South African endemic
Provincial distribution	Northern Cape
Range	Bushmanland, from Pofadder to the Namiesberg.

Habitat and Ecology

Major system	Terrestrial
Major habitats	Desert, Succulent Karoo
Description	Quartz outcrops, ridges and



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Threats

One subpopulation on the Ghaamsberg is threatened by habitat loss to mining, and there are prospecting applications on some other inselbergs in the area, such as the Pellaberg. At present, mining is not a severe threat to this still very common species, but with increasing interest in mining in the area, it may become threatened in future.

Population

This species is locally abundant, and large populations occur on almost all quartz ridges in the area. The population is estimated to well exceed 10 000 mature individuals. One subpopulation is threatened by ongoing habitat loss and degradation due to mining, but the majority of the population is currently stable.

Population Stable trend

Assessment History

Taxon assessed	Status and Criteria	Citation/Red List version
<i>Conophytum fulleri</i>	Least Concern	Raimondo et al. (2009) L.Bolus

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