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Taxonomy

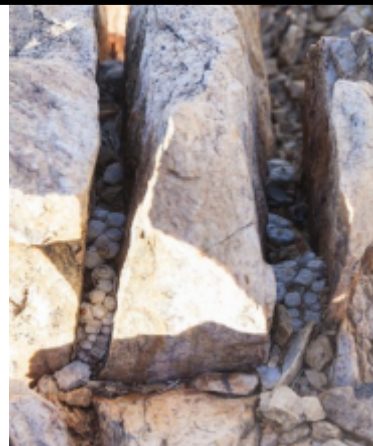
Scientific Name	Conophytum angelicae (Dinter & Schwantes) N.E.Br. subsp. tetragonum Rawé & S.A.Hammer
Higher Classification	Dicotyledons
Family	AIZOACEAE

National Status

Status and Criteria	Least Concern
Assessment Date	2020/02/10
Assessor(s)	A.J. Young
Justification	This taxon has a restricted range in South Africa with an extent of occurrence (EEO) of 1182 km ² , but is common, occurring at more than 10 locations and while some illegal collecting is occurring, this taxon occurs widely scattered in remote locations and collecting is not suspected to be causing significant decline.

Distribution

Endemism	Not endemic to South Africa
Provincial distribution	Northern Cape
Range	Northern Bushmanland and Richtersveld, also



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occurring in
southern Namibia.

Habitat and Ecology

Major system Terrestrial
Major habitats Desert, Succulent Karoo
Description Shaded vertical fissures in large quartz outcrops, primarily in Rosyntjieberg Succulent Shrubland and Southern Nababiepsberge Mountain Desert.

Threats

While some forms of this subspecies are highly sought after by collectors, especially those in southern Namibia, there remain many unimpacted difficult to access subpopulations across this taxon's range.

Population

Plants often remain sheathed throughout year, cryptic amongst the quartz, and easily overlooked. It occurs scattered over a wide area, but often in low numbers. Population size estimated to be in the thousands.

Population trend Decreasing

Assessment History

Taxon assessed	Status and Criteria	Citation/Red List version
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