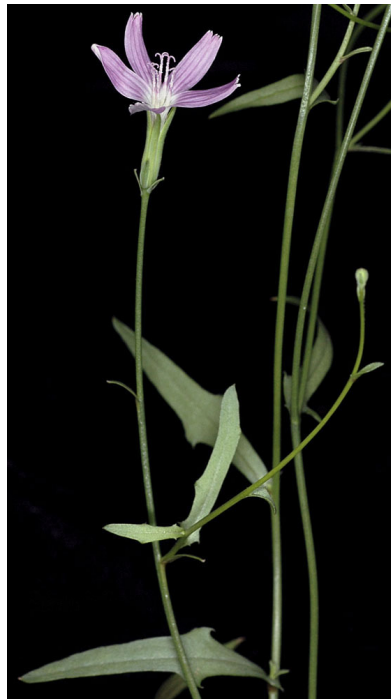


Stephanomeria malheurensis

Asteraceae

Malheur wirelettuce

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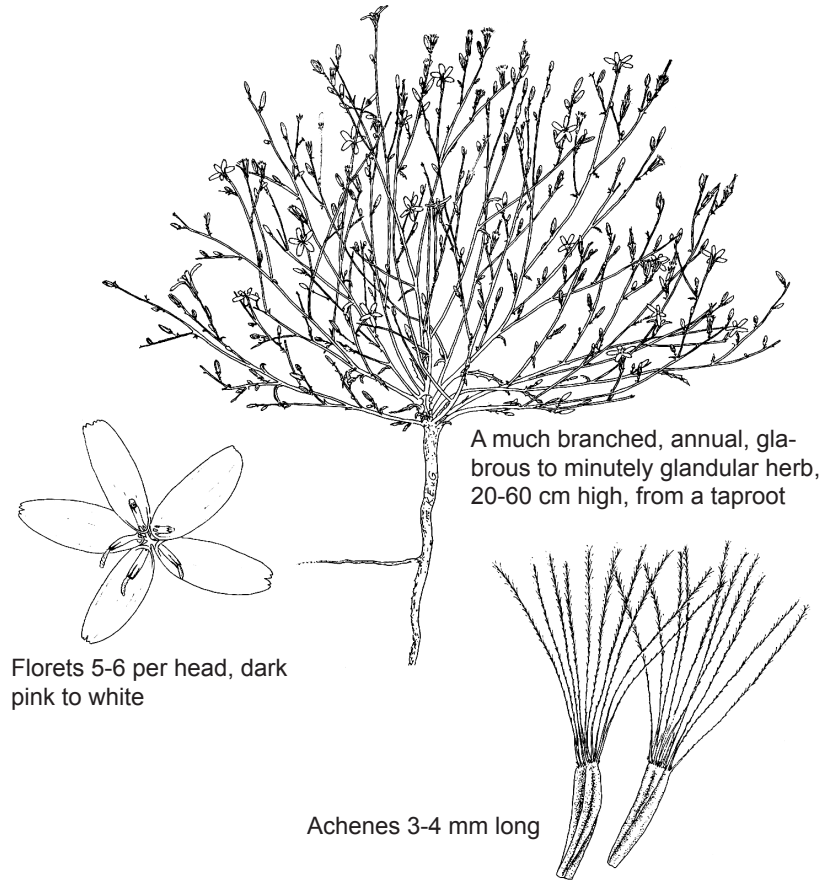


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A much branched, annual, glabrous to minutely glandular herb, 20-60 cm high, arising from a taproot. Leaves glabrous, often soon deciduous; basal leaves entire to pinnatifid, oblong to lanceolate, 3-6 cm long; cauline leaves linear, less than 1 cm long. Inflorescence: heads terminal and scattered along the branches; peduncles 5-15 mm long; involucre 8-10 mm high. Florets 5-6 per head; ligules 8-9.5 mm long, approximately 3.5 mm wide, dark pink to white, rarely orange-yellow. Fruit an achene, 3-4 mm long, 5-sided, tan to light brown; pappus 5-6 mm long.

Lookalikes

Stephanomeria exigua ssp. *coronaria*

differs from featured plant by

its peduncles less than 5 mm long and achenes less than 3 mm long; 5-11 florets per head

best survey times
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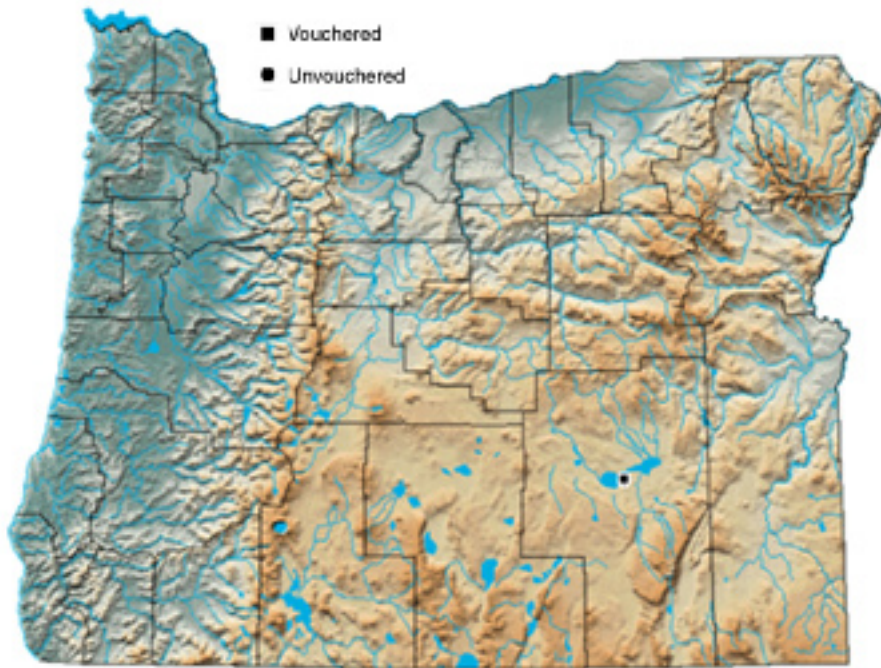


Stephanomeria malheurensis Gottlieb

Malheur wirelettuce

PLANTS symbol: STMA5

August 2019 status Federal:LE; Oregon:LE; ORBIC: List 1



Distribution: Only location known is south of Burns, central Harney Co. Oregon.

Habitat: Volcanic tuffaceous soils.

Elevation: 1300–1400 m

Best survey time (in flower): June – September

Associated species:

Artemisia tridentata (Big sagebrush)

Chrysothamnus viscidiflorus (Yellow rabbitbrush)

Stephanomeria exigua ssp. *coronaria* (Whiteplume wirelettuce)

