

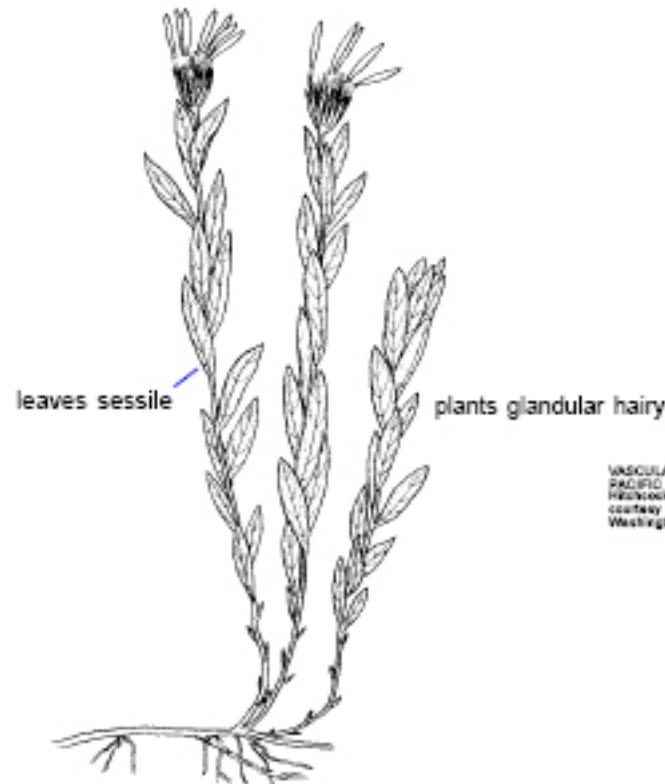
Eucephalus gormanii

Asteraceae
Gorman's aster

Aaron I. Liston



few heads 1(2-4)



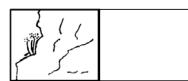
UNIGULAR PLANTS OF THE
PACIFIC NORTHWEST (1996)
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Perennial from a short and stout to more slender and branched rhizome, glandular. Stems 10-30 cm tall; herbage glandular. Lowermost leaves reduced, the others crowded, uniform, sessile, elliptic-oblong, entire, mostly 1.5-3 cm long, 3-10 mm wide. Inflorescence a solitary head, or sometimes 2-4. Involucre 7-11 mm high, the bracts well imbricate, relatively broad (mostly lance-ovate), sharp-pointed, green-tipped, with a prominent midvein, more or less scarious- or hyaline-margined and tending to be shortly fringed-ciliate, otherwise essentially glabrous. Rays ca. 8-13, white or pinkish, ca. 1cm long; pappus double, the outer of short bristles.

best survey times
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Lookalikes

Eucephalus ledophyllus leaves with cottony hairs
(Cascade aster)

differs from featured plant by

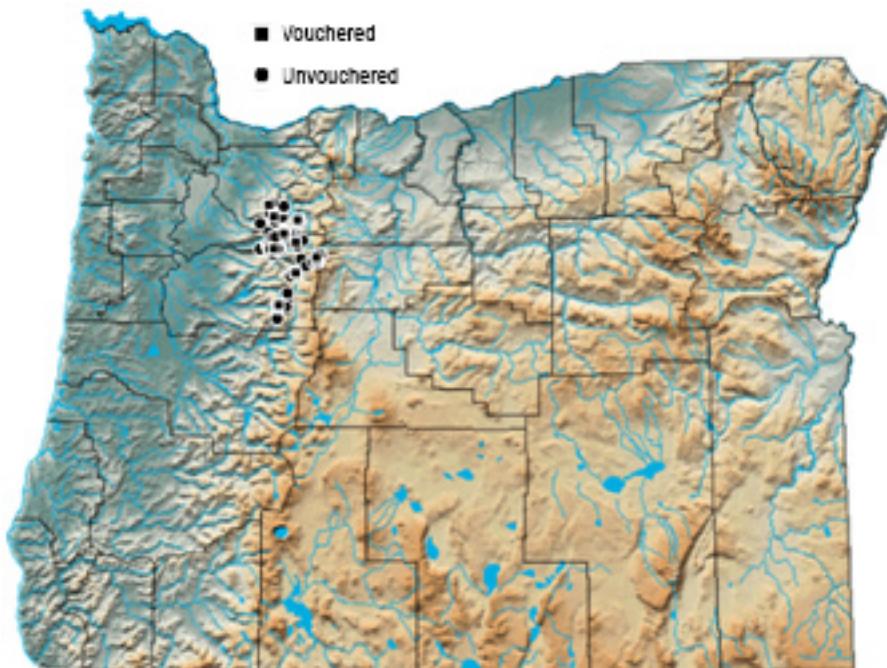
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Eucephalus gormanii Piper

Gorman's aster

PLANTS symbol: ASGO

August 2019 status ORBIC: List 1



Distribution: Endemic to northern Cascade Mountains of Oregon.

Habitat: Dry, rocky slopes and cliffs; gravelly scree and talus slopes in open, exposed areas.

Elevation: 1100–1900 m

Best survey time(in flower): July-August(September)

Associated species:

- Abies procera* (noble fir)
- Tsuga mertensiana* (mountain hemlock)
- Comandra umbellata* (bastard toadflax)
- Arctostaphylos nevadensis* (pinemat manzanita)
- Juniperus communis* (common juniper)
- Vaccinium membranaceum* (thin leaved huckleberry)
- Acer glabrum* var. *douglasii* (Douglas maple)

Notes: occasionally hybridizes with *A. ledophyllus*



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