

Amsinckia carinata
Boraginaceae
Malheur Valley fiddleneck

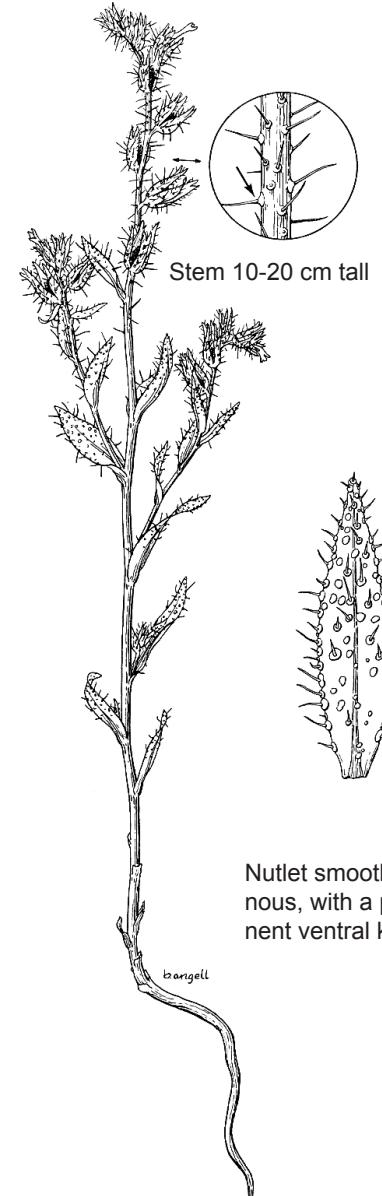
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Erect, bristly, annual herb. Stem 10-20 cm tall, glabrous or nearly so, glaucous. Leaves hispid-ciliate, pustulose, 1-6 cm long, 0.5-1.25 cm wide. Flower yellow; corolla 6-13 mm long, 2-8 mm wide at top, tube 10-veined near base; calyx lobes 2-4, some connate in pairs or triplets. Fruit a nutlet, about 5 mm long, smooth, dark grey, deeply trigonous, back with a mere suggestion of a keel, ventral keel prominent, reaching to about 1mm of base.

best survey times
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Lookalikes
Amsinckia

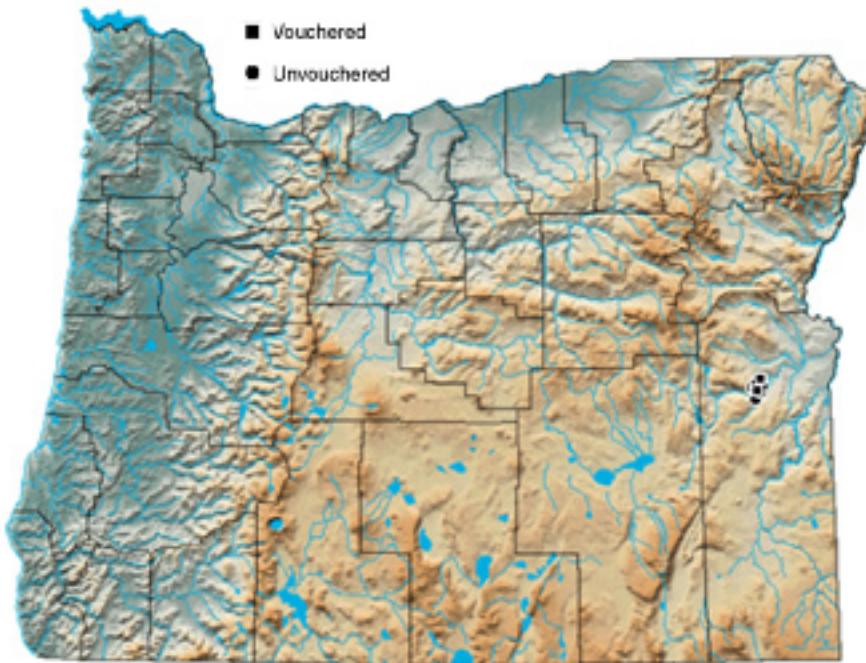
differs from featured plant by
all other species have dull roughened nutlets

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PLANTS symbol: AMCA8

August 2019 status Federal: SOC; Oregon: LT; ORBIC: List 1



Distribution: Owyhee Uplands, near Harper, Malheur Co.

Habitat: Yellowish talus slopes and gravel accumulations with large particle size and deep substrate.

Elevation: 700–1100 m

Best survey time (in flower): April – June

Associated species:

Artemisia spp. (Sagebrush)

Poa secunda ssp. *secunda* (Sandberg bluegrass)

Diplacus cusickii (Cusick's monkeyflower)

