

Scientific Name: Astragalus mulfordiae M.E. Jones

Bibliographic Reference: Jones, 1898. Contr. W. Bot. 8: 18.

Common Name: Mulford's milkvetch

Family (Common Name): Fabaceae or Leguminosae (Pea Family)

Idaho Native Plant Society Category: Global Priority 2

Natural Heritage Progam Rank: S2

Synonyms: Onix mulfordae Rydb.

Distribution: Western part of the Snake River Plain in Ada, Owyhee, Payette and Washington counties, Idaho; Malheur County, Oregon.

Habitat: Sandy slopes and ridges with needle-and-thread grass, Indian ricegrass and bitterbrush mostly on south facing exposures, from 650-850 m elevation.

Phenology: May and June.

Look-alikes: Allied to *A. yoder-williamsii* and *A. oniciformis* but easily recognized from these by the small yellowish to whitish or faintly lilac-tinged flowers, nodding stipitate trigonous and bilocular pods and lower connate stipules.



Closeup of Astragalus mulfordiae

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Habitat of Astragalus mulfordiae

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Species Distribution