BAKERSFIELD SMALLSCALE (ATRIPLEX TULARENSIS)

Federal/California status: --/Endangered California Native Plant Society List 1B

Bakersfield smallscale is an annual species of saltbush. It has stems up to 30 inches (75 cm) tall, only a few stiff branches, and leaves that may be narrower in proportion to their length. It flowers from June to October.

The only site where Bakersfield smallscale still may occur is a remnant of Kern Lake known as Gator Pond, formerly the Kern Lake Preserve. However, Bakersfield smallscale specimens collected in this area historically differ in appearance from those plants now present at Gator Pond.

Photo: Not yet available.