HISPID BIRD'S BEAK (CORDYLANTHUS MOLLIS HISPIDUS)

California Native Plant Society List 1B

Description

Hispid bird's beak is a branched, annual plant in the figwort family (Scrophulariaceae). It is 6 to 8 inches (15 to 20 cm) tall with coarse hairs on the stems and leaves. The yellow to cream-colored flowers are tube-shaped and

somewhat concealed by leaf-like structures. Leaves are lance-shaped. They are found growing close to other plants because they are considered to be parasitic on the roots of other plants. Bird's-beak generally flowers in late summer.

Habitat/Range

Within the project area, hispid bird's beak occurs in alkali sink habitat in Alameda, Kern and Merced counties.

Photo: Not yet available.