Sclerocactus glaucus  

UINTA BASIN HOOKLESS CACTUS

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Cactaceae (Cactus Family)

**Look Alikes:** *S. parviflorus* has a hooked central spine and is larger than *S. glaucus*.

**Flowering/Fruiting Period:** Flowers April-May. Plants are usually only visible when flowering. After blooming, the cactus may shrink below the ground or become a dull grayish-green color.
**Habitat:** Rocky hills, mesa slopes, and alluvial benches; in desert shrub communities. Elev. 4500-6000 ft.

**Distribution:** Utah and Colorado (Delta, Garfield, Mesa and Montrose Cos.).

**References:** O’Kane 1988; Peterson 1982; Scheck 1994.