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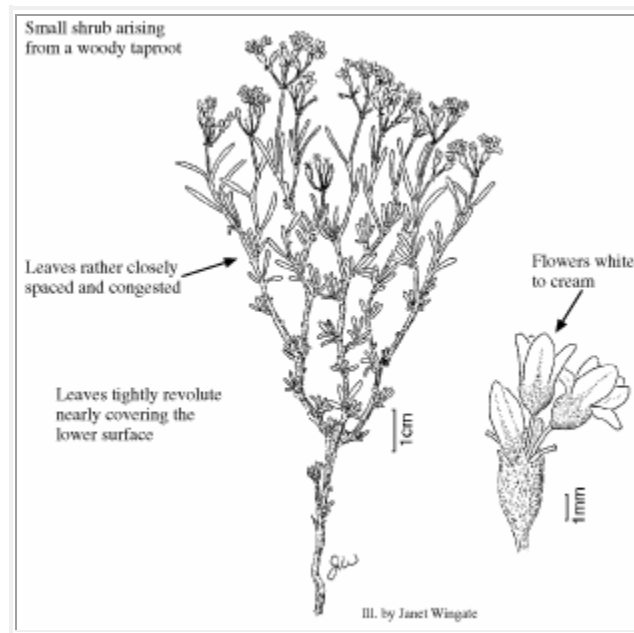


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Polygonaceae (Knotweed Family)

Look Alikes: *E. contortum* has yellow flowers and occurs further north (Mesa and Garfield Cos.). *E. clavellatum* is taller (1-2 dm), has larger involucres (4-4.5 mm long), and is only known from Montezuma Co.

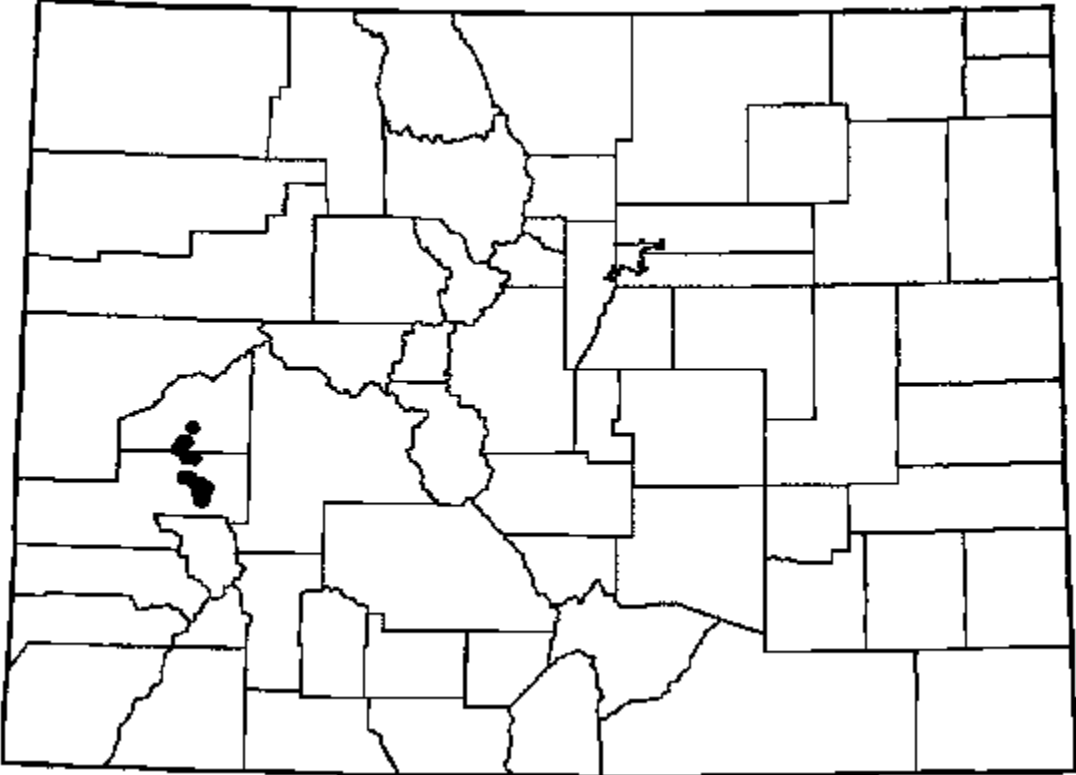
Flowering/Fruiting Period: June-July/August.

Habitat: Mancos Shale badlands, in salt desert shrub community. Elev. 5200-6400 ft.



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Distribution: Endemic to western Colorado (Delta and Montrose Cos.).



References: O’Kane 1988; Reveal 1973; Spinks 1991.