# **Rumex neglectus**

COMMON NAME

**FAMILY** Polygonaceae

AUTHORITY Rumex neglectus Kirk

FLORA CATEGORY Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS No

ENDEMIC FAMILY No

STRUCTURAL CLASS Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

NVS CODE RUMNEG

CHROMOSOME NUMBER 2n = 40

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS 2017 | Not Threatened

**PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES** 

2012 | Not Threatened2009 | Not Threatened | Qualifiers: HI2004 | Range Restricted

### DISTRIBUTION

Endemic. New Zealand: North Island (south Wellington coast), South Island, Stewart Island/Rakiura, Chatham Islands and also most of the subantarctic islands where it reaches its greatest abundance.

## HABITAT

Grows in damp coastal turf near streams, seepages and in damp sand.

# WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

FACW: Facultative Wetland Usually is a hydrophyte but occasionally found in uplands (non-wetlands).

## **DETAILED DESCRIPTION**

A rhizomatous herb with broadly oval, bright green (or red) fleshy leaves,  $3-5 \text{ cm} \times 2-3 \text{ cm}$ . Flowers and fruits in dense clusters arising from leaf tufts, 1-3 cm tall.

# ETYMOLOGY

rumex: Sorrel neglectus: Overlooked

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### MORE INFORMATION

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