# **Coleostephus multicaulis**

#### SYNONYMS

Chrysanthemum multicaule Desf. Kremeria multicaulis (Desf.) Maire

**FAMILY** Asteraceae

AUTHORITY Coleostephus multicaulis (Desf.) Durieu

FLORA CATEGORY Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS Herbs - Dicotyledonous composites

**CONSERVATION STATUS** Not applicable

## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

Annual herb; rosette of spatulate, somewhat succulent leaves with few obscure teeth; erect stems with toothed leaves; petioles and stems flushed pink. Capitulum of free membranous bracts supporting cream ligulate florets and yellow disc florets. Disc conic, lacking scales or hairs. Seeds lack a pappus.

DISTRIBUTION

Algeria

HABITAT First NZ record in wild Oct 2016, in gravel waste area in Whanganui

## SIMILAR TAXA

The cream ray florets and glabrous semi-succulent leaves distinguish it from most other weedy daisies

FLOWER COLOURS Cream, Yellow

LIFE CYCLE Annual

PROPAGATION TECHNIQUE seed

YEAR NATURALISED 2016

ORIGIN Algeria

**REASON FOR INTRODUCTION** Perhaps ornamental

## NZPCN FACT SHEET CITATION

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#### **MORE INFORMATION**





Gravel waste area; central Whanganui. Ray (ligulate) florets cream to pale yellow. Photographer: Colin C. Ogle, Date taken: 09/10/2016, Licence: CC BY-NC.



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