

Eragrostis multicaulis

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Grasses

FLOWER COLOURS

Purple, Red/Pink

DISTRIBUTION

Exotic. Naturalised sparingly on the roadside toward Huia, West Auckland, and Central Auckland North Island, New Zealand.

Recently found in Kaitaia and Whangārei.

HABITAT

Roadside gravel and cracked asphalt.

GENUS

Eragrostis

FAMILY

Poaceae

AUTHORITY

Eragrostis multicaulis Steud.

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

FLOWERING

November to January

FRUITING

January to March

YEAR NATURALISED

2010

ORIGIN

Africa, India, Indo-China, and Malesia. South America: Mesoamericana and northern South America.

ETYMOLOGY

eragrostis: From the Greek eros 'love' and agrostis 'grass'

REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

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ATTRIBUTION

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