

# Oxybasis ambigua

## SYNONYMS

*Chenopodium ambiguum* R.Br.; *Chenopodium glaucum* subsp. *ambiguum* Murr. et Thell.; *Oxybasis glauca* subsp. *ambigua* (R.Br.) Mosyakin

## FAMILY

Amaranthaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Oxybasis ambigua* (R.Br.) de Lange et Mosyakin

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

## ENDEMIC TAXON

No

## ENDEMIC GENUS

No

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = c.32-36

## CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | At Risk – Declining | Qualifiers: DP, PD, SO

## PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

## WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

FACU: Facultative Upland

Occasionally is a hydrophyte but usually occurs in uplands (non-wetlands).

## LIFE CYCLE

Seeds are dispersed by wind and water (Thorsen et al., 2009).

## ETYMOLOGY

**ambigua**: From the Latin *ambiguus* 'ambiguous, uncertain'

## REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

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## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/oxybasis-ambigua/>



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