

Papaveraceae (Poppy Family)

Phenology: flowering April-May; fruiting May-June; rosettes present all year.

Management Responsibility: BLM (Kingman Field Office), NPS (Grand Canyon NP, Lake Mead NRA), Hualapai Nation.

Notes: this is one of the showiest members of the flora of Arizona. The plants in the Grand Canyon populations are generally larger and occur on a different substrate and in a different habitat from those around Lake Mead (gypsum-rich clay soils), and may merit separate taxonomic treatment.

References: Phillips, A.M. 1988. Sheldon, 1994.

Arctomecon californica

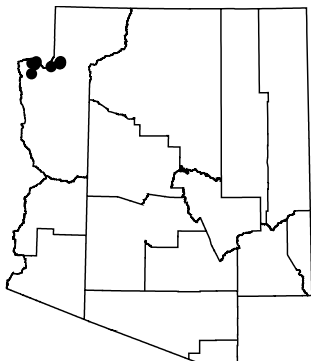


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Habitat: in Mohave desertscrub within the Grand Canyon, on narrow gravelly Muav Formation and Devonian limestone shelves high on the slopes of side canyons, 1,600-2,200 ft (480-670 m) elevation.



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Range: western Grand Canyon south side of Lake Mead, and Clark County, Nevada.