

LARGE-FLOWERED FIDDLENECK (AM SINCKIA GRANDIFLORA)

Federal/California status: Endangered/Endangered
California Native Plant Society List 1B



Description

Large-flowered fiddleneck is an erect, coarsely hairy annual herb in the borage family (Boraginaceae). The large, orange-red flowers are borne on stalks curved like the neck of a fiddle. The flowers may be as much as 0.8

inch (2 cm) long. Other, more common species of fiddleneck also may have large flowers; they are distinguished by minute details of the flowers and fruits. Large-flowered fiddleneck blooms in April and May.

Habitat

It grows in grasslands and foothill woodland.

Range/distribution

At present, only three natural populations are known. These all occur in the Altamont Hills of the Diablo Range in Alameda, Contra Costa, and San Joaquin Counties.

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