

**RECURVED LARKSPUR
(DELPHINIUM RECURVATUM)**

California Native Plant Society List 1B

Photos



Description

Recurved larkspur is a perennial member of the buttercup family (Ranunculaceae) with reddish or purplish stems on plants 8 to 24 inches (20 to 60 cm) tall. Leaves are five-parted. It is the only two-colored larkspur in the Central Valley. Upper petals are white or cream, lower petals are whitish to pale blue. Flowers bloom from March to May and are distributed along a stalk.

Habitat

Recurved larkspur grows in alkaline areas of valley sink, saltbush scrub, grassland, and foothill woodland communities.

Range/distribution

Within the project area, recurved larkspur has been known to occur in Glenn, Colusa, Merced, Fresno, Tulare, Kings, and Kern counties. It may also occur in Yolo County.

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