

# Washington Flora Checklist

## A checklist of the Vascular Plants of Washington State

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#### Family: Elatinaceae

3 terminal taxa (species, subspecies, and varieties).

The Washington Flora Checklist aims to be a complete list of the native and naturalized vascular plants of Washington State, with current classifications, nomenclature and synonymy.

#### Taxa included in the checklist:

- Native taxa whether extant, extirpated, or extinct.
- Exotic taxa that are naturalized, escaped from cultivation, or persisting wild.
- Waifs (e.g., ballast plants, escaped crop plants) and other scarcely collected exotics.
- Interspecific hybrids that are frequent or self-maintaining.
- Some unnamed taxa in the process of being described.

Family classifications follow [APG IV](#) for angiosperms, PPG I (J. Syst. Evol. 54:563-603. 2016.) for pteridophytes, and Christenhusz et al. (Phytotaxa 19:55-70. 2011.) for gymnosperms, with a few exceptions. Nomenclature and synonymy at the rank of genus and below follows the [2nd Edition of the Flora of the Pacific Northwest](#) except where superceded by new information.

Accepted names are indicated with **blue type**, synonyms with **gray type**.

Native species and infraspecies are marked with **bold-face type**.

\*Non-native and introduced taxa are preceded by an asterisk.

**Please note:** This is a working checklist, continuously updated. Use it at your discretion.

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## Dicots:

### Elatinaceae [HC, HC2] Waterwort Family

#### *Bergia* [HC, HC2]

bergia

#### *Bergia texana* (Hook.) Seub. ex Walp. [HC, HC2]

Repertorium Botanices Systematicae. 1: 285. 1842.

Texas bergia

*Elatine brachysperma* A. Gray; shortseed waterwort, or short-fruited waterwort, has been reported from WA by Abrams and KZ99, but no specimens have been found

#### *Elatine* [HC, HC2]

mud-purslane, waterwort

#### *Elatine californica* A. Gray [HC, HC2]

Proc. Amer. Acad. Arts 13: 361, 364. 1878.

California waterwort

*Elatine williamsii* Rydb.

#### *Elatine chilensis* Gay [HC2, JPM]

Chilena 1: 286. [1846]. 1845.

Chilean waterwort

*Elatine americana* (Pursh) Arn. [Abrams, Peck, HC], misapplied

*Elatine triandra* Schkuhr [Abrams, Peck, HC], misapplied