

***Ericameria arizonica* R.P. Roberts, Urbatsch & J.L. Anderson**
Grand Canyon Goldenweed

Family: Asteraceae

Synonyms: None

NESL Status: G4

Federal Status: None

Plant Description: Subshrub 20 to 50 cm high. Leaf blades elliptic to narrowly oblanceolate, 10–35 x 2–5 mm; faces short stipitate glandular, usually gland dotted; apices acute. Heads cymiform, phyllaries 30–40 in 4–5 series, tan, lanceolate to elliptic, 2–7 x 0.5 – 1.2 mm, strongly unequal; flowers yellow, ray florets 1–8, disk florets 5–15. Flowering during September and October.

Similar species: *E. cervina* has smaller leaves (9–18 x 2.5–4mm) and only 3–4 ray florets.

Habitat: Rocky ledges and cracks usually of Kaibab Limestone at 5500 to 6000ft.

Distribution: Northern Coconino County, AZ.

Navajo Nation Distribution: Along the rims of the western Little Colorado River Gorge.

Potential Navajo Nation Distribution: On limestone benches and ledges in the vicinity of the Little Colorado River Gorge and Marble Canyon.

Survey Period: Best from September through November.

Avoidance: A 200 ft buffer zone is recommended to avoid disturbance; may be more or less depending on size and nature of the project.

References:

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Ericameria arizonica habitat

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