



## *Raoulia subulata*

### **Common Name(s):**

scabweed

### **Current Threat Status (2012):**

Not Threatened

### **Distribution:**

Endemic. South Island: Nelson south to Southland, mostly east of the main divide

### **Habitat:**

Subalpine herbfield

### **Features\*:**

Closely branched more or less tufted herb forming patches up to 100 mm diameter; branches up to c. 40 mm long. Leaves densely imbricate, suberect to spreading, 3.0-10.0 × 0.5-1.0 mm, glabrous, membranous, firm, prominently 1-nerved, lanceolate, acuminate. Capitula more or less 4 mm diameter. Involucral bracts scarious, 3-4 × c.1 mm.; inner irregularly laciniate at tips. Florets 15-25, female fewer than perfect and sterile; corolla subfunneliform, lobes more or less acute. Achenes < 1mm. long, papillae long-claviform; pappus-hairs c.3 mm. long, rather rigid, slightly thickened above; papillae claviform. Receptacle hispid.

### **Flowering:**

December - February

### **Fruiting:**

February - April

### **Threats:**

Not Threatened

### **\*Attribution:**

Description adapted from Allan (1961)

### **References and further reading:**

Allan, H.H. 1961: Flora of New Zealand. Vol. I, Government Printer, Wellington.

### **For more information, visit:**

[http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora\\_details.asp?ID=1255](http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora_details.asp?ID=1255)



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