

Plagianthus divaricatus

COMMON NAME

salt marsh ribbonwood, marsh ribbonwood

FAMILY

Malvaceae

AUTHORITY

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FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

Yes

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

NVS CODE

PLADIV

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 42

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Bushy tangled shrub with wide-angled thin twigs bearing small very narrow clusters of leaves and small drooping flowers inhabiting estuary areas. Twigs with star-shaped hairs (lens needed). Leaves 5-20mm long by 0.5-2mm wide. Fruit a 5mm wide dry capsule.

WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

FACW: Facultative Wetland

Usually is a hydrophyte but occasionally found in uplands (non-wetlands).

FLOWER COLOURS

Yellow

ETYMOLOGY

plagianthus: Oblique or lop-sided flower (petals uneven at the base)

divaricatus: Spreading and interlacing

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/plagianthus-divaricatus/>



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