

# *Astragalus peckii*

Fabaceae

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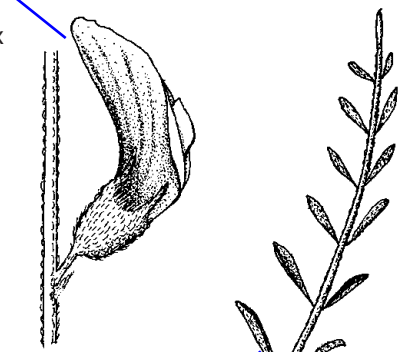
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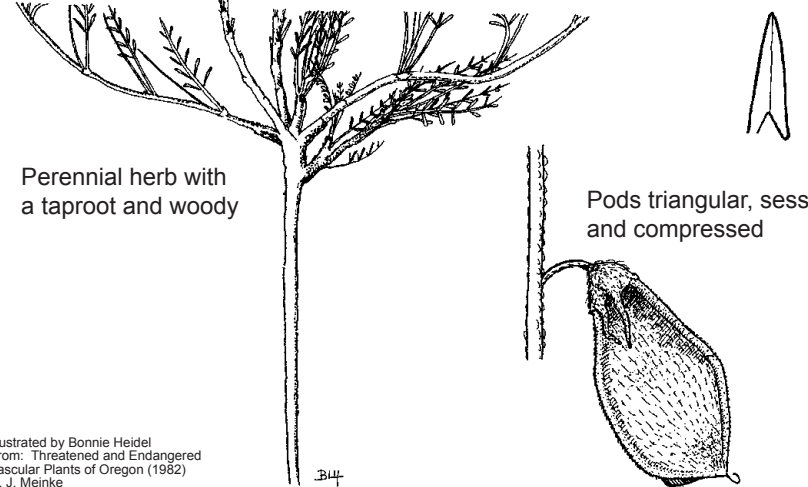
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Flowers pale yellow,  
with pubescent calyx

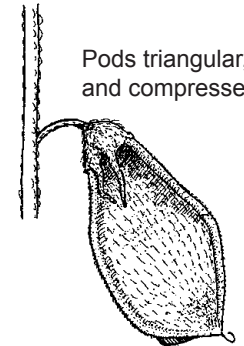


Leaves densely pu-  
bescent, short petioles,  
leaflets usually folded



Perennial herb with  
a taproot and woody

Pods triangular, sessile,  
and compressed



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Spreading or slightly prostrate, perennial herb arising from a taproot and woody caudex. Stems clustered on the root crown or radiating from the caudex, 5-30 cm long. Leaves 1-4 cm long, pinnate, densely pubescent; leaflets 8-14, lance-oblong, 2-6 mm long, usually folded, acute to subacute; petioles short, basally persisting. Inflorescence a raceme, axillary, loosely 5-9 flowered, shorter than leaves; peduncle 7-20 mm long. Flowers pale yellow to cream colored, 5-7.5 mm long; banner 5-7.5 mm long, veined with dull purple; wings 5.7-7.2 mm long; keel 4-4.5 mm long; calyx pubescent, 3.3-4.4 mm long. Pods sessile, oblong-linear to oblong-ovate, compressed, 4-8 mm long, 2-3 mm in diameter, three angled, cuneate or rounded at base, acute and cuspidate at apex.

**Lookalikes**  
*Astragalus*

**differs from featured plant by**  
differs from other local *Astragalus* species by its spreading and prostrate habit, basally persisting petioles, small flowers, and three angled pods.

best survey times  
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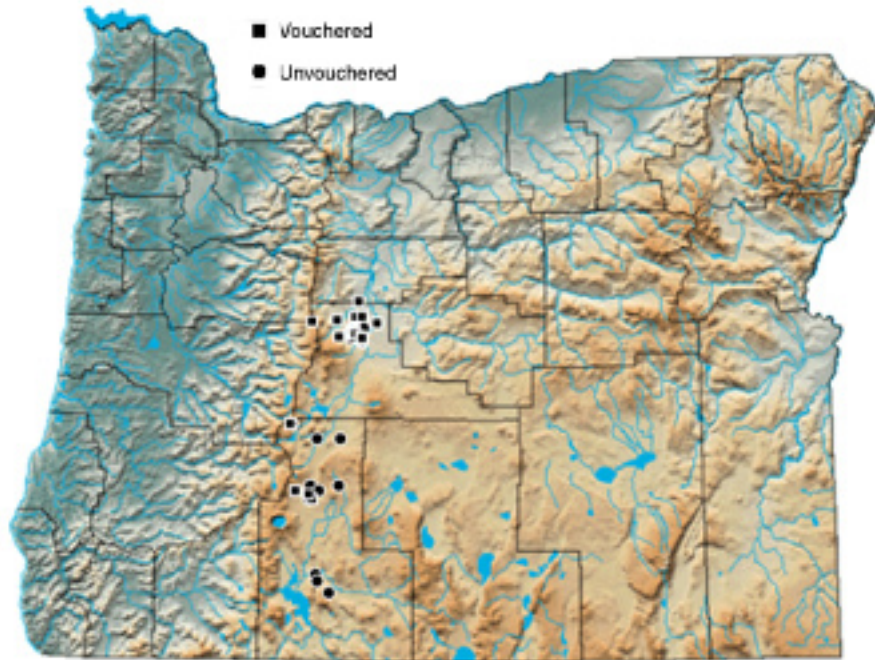


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**Distribution:** Central Oregon on eastern foothills of the Cascades.

**Habitat:** Dry, sandy soil or pumice, sagebrush flats, often in dry waterways.

**Elevation:** 900–1500 m

**Best survey time (in flower):** June to August

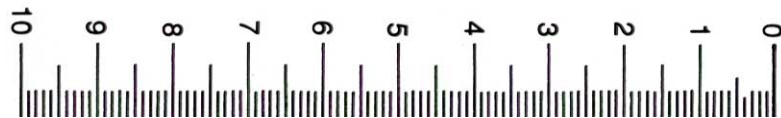
### **Associated species:**

*Purshia tridentata* (Antelope bitterbrush)

*Astragalus purshii* (Wollypod milkvetch)

*Ericameria nauseosa* (Rubber rabbitbrush)

*Linanthus pungens* (Granite prickly phlox)



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