



**Plant Botanical Name:**

*Delissea rhytidosperma*

**USBG Plant Location:**

Conservatory

**Conservatory Room Location:**

Hawaii

**Plant Threat Level:**

Endangered

*Delissea rhytidosperma* is an endangered member of the Lobelia family found only on the island of Kauai. The lowland forest habitat where this species grows is threatened by overgrazing of domestic and wild animals, the encroachment of invasive nonnative plant species, and naturally occurring landslides. Currently, only 15 remaining wild populations. Measures are being taken to protect these remaining populations, including weed control, fire suppression and fencing to exclude livestock. Botanical gardens and seed banks are also working to conserve these plants and seeds.

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