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MONTIA LINEARIS (PORTULACACEAE): A NEW RECORD FOR UTAH

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Abstract.—Montia linearis Dougl., a plant known from British Columbia to Montana, Nevada, and California, is reported from Utah.

A collection of Montia linearis Dougl. by Buchanan 2135, Weber Co., Utah North Fork Park near Cobble Cr., 5600 feet, 9 July 1973 (WSCO) and distributed as Montia chamissoi (Ledeb) Dur. & Jacks. has been identified by Clark and Graybosch as Montia linearis. Collections of this plant by Clark 4150 from the same general location July 1978 (WSCO) have further verified its existence in Utah. At present this is the only place in Utah where this plant is known to occur.

In Utah, this species should be considered rare, and endangered due to the heavy recreational use to which its habitat is subjected.

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