

Moorland, Sedgeland, Rushland and Peatland
MDS Subalpine *Diplarrena latifolia* rushland
Community Description:

MDS is a graminoid rushland dominated by *Diplarrena latifolia* with a sparse cover of shrubs. A sparse (< 5 %) cover of emergent *Eucalyptus delegatensis*, *E. coccifera*, *E. gunnii* and/or *E. pauciflora* may be also present. Grasses and sedges may be dominant over Epacridaceae shrubs in less well-drained sites. This is the appropriate benchmark to use in assessing the condition of the listed *Subalpine Diplarrena latifolia* rushland community (Schedule 3A, *Nature Conservation Act 2002*).

Benchmarks:

Component	Cover %	LF Code
Dominant Life Form	60%	LSR
Organic Litter	5%	

Expected Life Forms	LF code	# Spp	Cover %
Shrub	S	2	5
Herbs and orchids	H	2	10
Medium to small tussock grass	MTG	2	20
Large sedge/rush/sagg/lily	LSR	2	60
Medium sedge/rush/sagg/lily	MSR	2	10
Ground Fern	GF	2	5
Mosses and Lichens	ML	1	1
Total	7	13	

Species lists:

Dominant Species	Common Name	LF Code
<i>Diplarrena latifolia</i>	western flag iris	LSR

Emergent Tree Species	Common Name	Notes
<i>Eucalyptus coccifera</i>	snow peppermint	Scattered trees only, when present
<i>Eucalyptus delegatensis</i>	gumtopped stringy bark	Scattered trees only, when present
<i>Eucalyptus pauciflora</i>	cabbage gum	Scattered trees only, when present
<i>Eucalyptus gunnii</i>	cider gum	Scattered trees only, when present

Other Typical Species *	Common Name	LF Code
<i>Acrothamnus montanus</i>	snow beardheath	S
<i>Bauera rubioides</i>	wiry bauera	S
<i>Bossiaea cordigera</i>	wiry bossea	S
<i>Bossiaea riparia</i>	leafless bossea	S
<i>Coprosma nitida</i>	mountain currant	S
<i>Epacris gunnii</i>	coral heath	S
<i>Hakea</i> spp.	needlebush	S
<i>Hovea montana</i>	mountain purplepea	S
<i>Leptecophylla juniperina</i>	pinkberry	S
<i>Lomatia polymorpha</i>	mountain guitarplant	S
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<i>Monotoca linifolia</i> var. <i>algida</i>	alpine nodding broomheath	S
<i>Olearia erubescens</i>	moth daisybush	S
<i>Olearia persoonioides</i>	geebung daisy	S
<i>Oxylobium ellipticum</i>	golden shaggypea	S
<i>Hibbertia procumbens</i>	guinea flower	PS
<i>Acaena montana</i>	mountain buzzy	H
<i>Cardamine</i> spp.	bittercress	H
<i>Dichondra repens</i>	kidney weed	H
<i>Pelargonium</i> spp.	storksbill	H
<i>Stylidium graminifolium</i>	narrowleaf triggerplant	H
<i>Poa gunnii</i>	guns snowgrass	MTG
<i>Gymnoschoenus sphaerocephalus</i>	buttongrass	LSR
<i>Lepidosperma filiforme</i>	common rapiersedge	LSR
<i>Empodisma minus</i>	spreading roperush	MSR
<i>Gleichenia alpina</i>	alpine coral fern	GF

*This list is provided as a guide only. The species listed are typical of this plant community type but may not necessarily be present.