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Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2007 10:50 AM
To: Jim McGee
Subject: RE: brittle prickly-pear (*Opuntia fragilis*)

Hi Jim,

We have downgraded *Opuntia fragilis* from R1 status to our watch list due to its being more abundant than previously thought.

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From: Jim McGee [mailto:JimM@dcpud.org]
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2007 4:09 PM
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Subject: brittle prickly-pear (*Opuntia fragilis*)

Hi

The Wells Project reservoir shoreline was search in 2005 for RTE plant species. The botanist doing the work found patches of brittle prickly-pear (*Opuntia fragilis*) on project land. At the time of the survey *Opuntia fragilis* was considered a R1 plant on the Natural Heritage Program list. When I checked the status of (*Opuntia fragilis*), I didn't find it on the list. Is *Opuntia fragilis* no longer considered a R1 plant?

Thank you for your help.

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