

NOMENCLATURAL NOTE ON *ERICAMERIA PALMERI* VAR. *PACHYLEPIS*

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ABSTRACT

A nomenclatural problem in *Ericameria* is clarified.

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Lane & Hartman (1996) recently attributed a nomenclatural combination to me (as "Nesom *ex* Lane & Hartman") that is incorrect. They noted that I transferred *Haplopappus palmeri* subsp. *pachylepis* into *Ericameria* Nutt. (Nesom 1990) but later failed to make the combination for it within the genus *Xylothamia* Nesom, *et al.*, which was created from species otherwise treated most recently within *Ericameria* (Nesom, *et al.* 1990). They then published the combination thought necessary but lacking.

The root of the confusion lies here: *Xylothamia* (*Aster*) *palmeri* (A. Gray) Nesom (= *Ericameria austrotexana* M.C. Johnston) and *Ericameria* (*Haplopappus*) *palmeri* (A. Gray) Hall are different species based on different types. No infraspecific taxa are recognized within *Xylothamia palmeri* and the Lane & Hartman combination goes into the synonymy of *Ericameria palmeri* var. *pachylepis*.

To clarify the useful *Haplopappus* nomenclator assembled by Lane & Hartman (1996), the nomenclatural paragraph that includes the new synonym is given here.

Ericameria palmeri (A. Gray) Hall var. *pachylepis* (Hall) Nesom, *Phytologia* 68:151. 1990. *Haplopappus palmeri* A. Gray subsp. *pachylepis* Hall, Carnegie Inst. Washington, Publ. 389:267. 1928.
Xylothamia palmeri (A. Gray) Nesom var. *pachylepis* (Hall) Nesom *ex* Lane & Hartman, Amer. J. Bot. 83:364. 1996.

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