

## SPECIES MANAGEMENT PROFILE

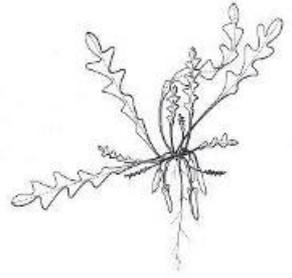
*Geococcus pusillus* earth cress

**Group:** Magnoliophyta (flowering plants), Magnoliopsida (dicots), Capparales, Brassicaceae

**Status:** *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995:* **endangered**  
*Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999:* Not listed

**Endemic:** Found in Tasmania and elsewhere

**Status:**



A complete species management profile is not currently available for this species. Check for further information on this page and any relevant Activity Advice.

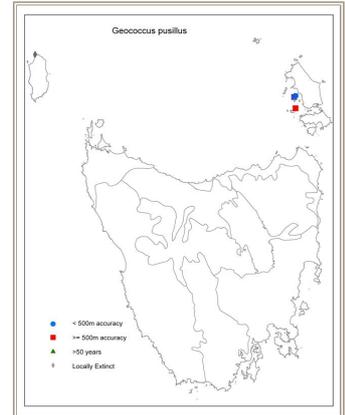
### Key Points

- **Important:** Is this species in your area? Do you need a permit? Ensure you've covered all the issues by checking the Planning Ahead page.
- **Important:** Different threatened species may have different requirements. For any activity you are considering, read the Activity Advice pages for background information and important advice about managing around the needs of multiple threatened species.

### Surveying

Key	Survey reliability more info
<b>M</b>	Best time to survey
M	Potential time to survey
M	Poor time to survey
M	Non-survey period

To ensure you follow the law - check whether your survey requires a permit. Always report any new records to the Natural Values Atlas, or send the information direct to the Threatened Species Section. Refer to the Activity Advice: Surveying page for background information.



<i>Geococcus pusillus</i>	Spring				Summer				Autumn				Winter											
earth cress	S	S	O	O	N	N	D	D	J	J	F	F	M	M	A	A	M	M	J	J	J	J	A	A

- *Geococcus pusillus* is an annual herb that emerges in years of favourable cool-season rainfall. It has been observed in small gaps and its habit of burying its fruit is distinctive. In Tasmania, the species has been collected from mid-August to early October, making this period the recommended timing for surveys, especially after good rainfall and gap-forming disturbance. Most Australian observations have been made from July to October
- In Tasmania (Furneaux Group islands), *Geococcus pusillus* occurs on granite overlain by sand and is associated with gaps amongst *Rhagodia candolleana* (coastal saltbush).

### Further information

Check also for listing statement or notesheet pdf above (below the species image).

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**Permit:** A permit is required under the Tasmanian *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995* to 'take' (which includes kill, injure, catch, damage, destroy and collect), keep, trade in or process any specimen or products of a listed species. Additional permits may also be required under other Acts or regulations to take, disturb or interfere with any form of wildlife or its products, (e.g. dens, nests, bones). This may also depend on the tenure of the land and other agreements relating to its management.