

## SPECIES MANAGEMENT PROFILE

*Ranunculus prasinus* midlands buttercup

**Group:** Magnoliophyta (flowering plants), Magnoliopsida (dicots), Ranunculales, Ranunculaceae

**Status:** *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995*: **endangered**  
*Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*: **Endangered**

**Endemic Status:** Found only in Tasmania



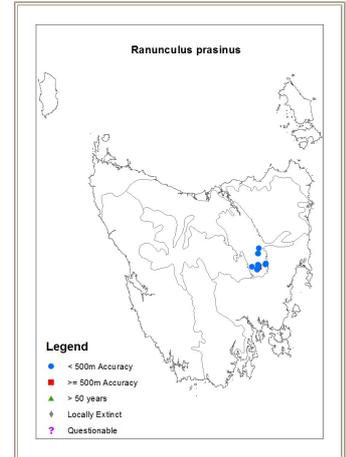
### Key Points

- 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
<i>M</i>	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>Ranunculus prasinus</i>	Spring					Summer					Autumn					Winter								
midlands buttercup	S	S	O	<b>O</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>N</b>	D	D	J	J	F	F	M	M	A	A	M	M	J	J	J	J	A	A

- Surveys for this small perennial mat-forming herb can be conducted anytime of the year as identifiable features are likely to be present at all times, although the species is significantly easier to detect from September to March when the species is flowering. Most observations of the species have been made in late October and November. Identification by a specialist is recommended, though the combination of characters combined with habitat is usually sufficient to confidently identify the species.
- Ranunculus prasinus* is known only from Tasmania's Midlands, where it occurs on the margins of brackish wetlands where herbfields merge into grasslands dominated by silver tussockgrass. When the wetlands dry, the species may expand onto the wetland floor. All sites are flat or gently sloping and occur at altitudes of 190 to 260 m. Soils are generally heavy clays and tend to be alkaline, the pH varying from 7.0 to 8.5.

### Further information

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

### Recovery Plan

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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.