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I was recently reading an article written by John Upton and printed by Climate Central that described a fresh study report by Jon Christensen and others who were documenting the geographical movement of native plant species in California as influenced by global warming. Two conclusions emerged from this article. One is that many native plants are not migrating to better sites of adaptation as rapidly as the animals that are historically included within common habitat. This is rapidly creating a situation wherein community relationships will unravel, with unknown but probably deleterious consequences. The other conclusion is that invasive weed species are successfully migrating with climate shift and filling the holes in many habitats created by natives that are no longer fully adapted. We have much to learn about creating solutions to these significant environmental problems. Contributors to and readers of the *Native Plants Journal* are, to some degree or another, involved in research and the development of methodologies that may prove invaluable in assisting nature in resolving the serious issues that are unfolding within our world. Journals such as ours will be key in communicating the results of these research efforts, thus allowing us to create an atmosphere of scholarly symbiosis that will further drive efforts and improve chances for success. I laud your efforts and hope you continue your important work. We at the *Native Plants Journal* will continue to serve as a communication pipeline for your findings. By working together, I feel strongly that we can make a positive contribution to an increasingly disturbing problem.



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On the cover: *Echinocereus triglochidiatus* (kingcup cactus [Cactaceae]) taken June 2010 near Gates of Lodore in northwest Colorado. Photo by Stephen Love

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