Plant Propagation Protocol for *Boykinia major* ESRM 412 – Native Plant Production

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Source: Alfred Brousseau¹

TAXONOMY		
Plant Family		
Scientific Name	Saxifragaceae	
Common Name	Saxifrage	
Species Scientific		
Name		
Scientific Name	Boykinia major A. Gray	
Varieties	Boykinia major A Gray var. Intermedia Piper	
Sub-species	N/A	
Cultivar	N/A	
Common Synonym(s)	N/A	
Common Name(s)	large boykinia, mountain boykinia, stream boykinia ³	
Species Code (as per	BOMA3	
USDA Plants		
database)		
	GENERAL INFORMATION	
Geographical range		

Ecological distribution Climate and elevation range Local habitat and abundance Plant strategy type / successional stage Plant characteristics	Found in the greater northwest excluding Washington state. Found along western Oregon, northern California and Idaho. Source: USDA Plant Database Found in meadows with part shade or near stream and riverbanks. ² Between 3900ft and 6170ft. ⁷ Grows in montane and subalpine elevations and environments. Zones 7-9. ⁵ Abundant in diches and wetlands that are moist all year long. ⁷ Occasionally found growing with blazing star, cardinal flower, knotweed, and astilbe. ⁸ Expands by rhizome. Perennial herb. Alternate leaf arrangement and flowers are bisexual. ⁴ Grows from a rhizome underground. Cauline leaves with sharp tips. Inflorescence	
	can grow up to a meter tall. White, crowed flowers, and plant height can vary between 12-36 inches. Bloom period from April to August. ²	
PROPAGATION DETAILS		
Ecotype	N/A	
Propagation Goal	plants	
Propagation Method	Seed	
Product	Container plug	
Stock Type	Container	
Time to Grow	16 weeks (Boykinia occidentalis)13	
Target Specifications	Flowering plants (Boykinia occidentalis) ¹¹	
Propagule Collection	Seeds can be collected during the first growing season. (boykinia	
Instructions	occidentalis) ¹³	
Propagule	50-500 black, oval seeds. ¹²	
Processing/Propagule		
Characteristics		

Pre-Planting Propagule Treatments	Sow seeds in a wet napkin and let seeds imbibe water for several weeks at 20°C. Germinate in light at temperatures of 70 degrees Fahrenheit. Seeds will not germinate in the dark. ⁹
Growing Area Preparation / Annual Practices for Perennial Crops	Grows best in well drained soils. Grows well in shady conditions with a layer of crushed granite rock to enhance soil drainage. (Boykinia occidentalis) ¹¹
Establishment Phase Details	2-3 weeks (Boykinia occidentalis) ¹³
Length of Establishment Phase	Germinate in spring or spring conditions if grown in a greenhouse. (Boykinia occidentalis) ¹⁰
Active Growth Phase	Sow into soil-based compost. Grows best in conditions of 15-20°C. (Boykinia occidentalis) ¹⁰ Grows happens rapidly in active growth phase. Flowering occurs within a year if sown earlier spring.
Length of Active Growth Phase	8-10 months (Boykinia occidentalis) ¹¹
Hardening Phase Length of Hardening Phase	Moved outside in september (boykinia occidentalis) ¹³ May be left outside until outplanted (boykinia occidentalis) ¹³
Harvesting, Storage and Shipping Length of Storage	Keep plants well irrigated before and during shipping (boykinia occidentalis) ¹³ N/A
Guidelines for Outplanting / Performance on Typical Sites	N/A
Other Comments	Very little information found for the propagation of Boykinia major. Propagation information for a species with the same genus (Boykinia occidentalis) is found to grow in similar habitats is provided to show similar propagation methods.
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