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Puccinellia distans

[Synonyms : *Aira aquatica* var. *distans*, *Atropis distans*, *Atropis distans* var. *tenuis*, *Atropis distans* var. *typica*, *Catabrosa distans*, *Festuca distans*, *Glyceria distans*, *Glyceria distans* var. *tenuis*, *Hydrochloa distans*, *Molinia distans*, *Panicularia distans*, *Phippsia distans*, *Poa distans*, *Poa distans* v, *retroflexa*, *Poa distans* v, *tenuis*, *Poa pseudoconvoluta*, *Poa retroflexa*, *Poa suksdorfii*, *Puccinellia distans* var. *tenuis*, *Puccinellia retroflexa*, *Puccinellia suksdorfii*, *Sclerochloa distans*, *Sclerochloa multiculmis*, *Sclerochloa multiculmis* var. *distans*]

SEA POA is a perennial grass. Native to temperate Asia, Europe (including Britain) and north-western Africa, it has greenish or purplish spikelets.

It is also known as *Bezkil'nica razstavlenaja* (Russian), European alkali grass, *Gewöhnlicher Salzschwaden* (German), *Glycérie a rameaux écartés* (French), *Grått saltgräs* (Swedish), *Gweunwellt Gwrthblygedigaidd* (Welsh), *Katusorsimo* (Finnish), *Kujasorsimo* (Finnish), *Manna odstajaca* (Polish), Reflexed meadow grass, Reflexed poa, Reflexed saltmarsh grass, *Saltgräs* (Swedish), Spreading alkali grass, *Stéblovec odstávající* (Slovak), Sweet grass, Weeping alkali grass, and *Zblochanec oddálený* (Czech).

The flowers are pollinated by the wind.

Distans is derived from Latin *distendo* (to stretch apart, expand, extend) meaning 'widely separated, remote'.

This grass was introduced to North America from England.

The North American Gosiute Indians ate the seeds.