

Name:**Creeping marshwort***Apium repens***UK status:**[UK BAP Priority](#). Red Data List (Vulnerable). Historical decline**London status:**

Very rare (1 site).

Protected status:

- W&CA, Schedule 8 (S.13a*)
- Habitats Regulations, Schedule 4
- Habitats Directive, Annex II, IV (European protected species of plants)
- Bern Convention, Appendix 1
'Species of principal importance for the conservation of biological diversity in England' (CRoW Act, 2000)

Relevant London HAPs:Floodplain grassland; Rivers & Streams
Lea Valley BAP**Citation:**

A creeping perennial herb of damp meadows and shallow water in ditches and ponds, generally at sites subject to winter flooding. Hitherto known from just one remaining site in the UK (Port Meadow, Oxfordshire), creeping marshwort was discovered in 2003 at Walthamstow Marshes in the Lea Valley (LB Waltham Forest). The site is well protected within a SSSI and Metropolitan SINC. Managing authority; LVRPA.



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Conservation priorities:

- Monitor and maintain population [addresses UK SAP target **T1**]
- Ensure continued favourable management of site

References:Cheffings CM & Farrell L (Eds.), 2005. *The Vascular Plant Red Data List for Great Britain*. JNCCPreston CD, Pearman DA & Dines TD (Edit.), 2002. *New Atlas of the British and Irish Flora*. Oxford

*additionally protected from intentionally picking (which includes collecting seed); trade and possession for the purpose of trade (including all derivatives)