Draba cuneifolia - wedge-leaf whitlow-grass
Mustard Family (Brassicaceae)

**Rarity Rank:** S1/G5

**Range:** Generally the southern two-thirds of the United States and extending into northern Mexico

**Recognition:**
- Plants range in height from 1 to about 10 cm tall
- Plants bearing many star-shaped hairs
- Stems erect, branching out from the base
- Leaves are 8 to 30 mm long and blades are generally spatula-shaped with coarse teeth
- Four petals (white) and four sepals, both 3 to 5 mm long

**Flowering Time:** March

**Light Requirement:** Full sun – part shade

**Wetland Indicator Status:**
- Does not occur in wetlands anywhere in range

**Habitat:**
- Interior Louisiana habitats include calcareous prairies and sandhill woodlands. Coastal zone occurrences are in sandy substrate (frequently with fine shell fragments) on cheniers in open conditions, including roadsides and cemeteries.

**Threats:**
- Not much is known about threats – shading is a possible threat

**Beneficial Management Practices:**
- Maintain open conditions by mowing or burning

**LA River Basins:** Mermentau, Calcasieu, Sabine, Red, Ouachita

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References:


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