

ORIN'S SCRUB MILLIPEDE

Floridobolus orini



Order: Spirobolida

Family: Floridobolidae

FNAI Ranks: G1G2/S1S2

U.S. Status: none

FL Status: none

Description: This is a large, 7-8 cm, gray to dark grayish olive millipede.

Similar Species: Other species in the genus look very similar and can only be told apart by a specialist examining specimens.

Habitat: This species is known from scrub habitat.

Seasonal Occurrence: Adults have been found in late May, late July, and early August.

Florida Distribution: This species is endemic to the area in and around the Ocala National Forest in Marion County.

Range-wide Distribution: This species is endemic to Marion County in and near the Ocala National Forest.

Conservation Status: There are 11 occurrences in a very small geographic area, it appears to require scrub habitat, and this species likely has poor dispersal ability. Species that have small ranges and narrow habitat specializations have a greater chance of extinction than similar species with larger ranges and/or that are not habitat specialists (Chichorro et al. 2019). Eight of the eleven occurrences are on unprotected, partially-developed lands.

Protection and Management: Not enough is known about this species to give specific management recommendations other than to manage for scrub habitat.

References: Shelley and Floyd 2014, Chichorro et al. 2019

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