

## InfoVeg - Bug #2636

### Better labels for ambiguous occurrences

11/01/2006 01:35 AM - Robert Peet

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#### Description

This is an upgrade; not an error.

Ambiguous identifications have a legend entry that states the name that was found ambiguous. For example, *Carya glabra* in NCU is ambiguous and has a legend notation of "Ambiguous identification: *Carya glabra*". It would be far more informative if the legend were to read "Ambiguous identification: *Carya glabra* OR *Carya ovalis*". (I realize that when all sources are on one sees "Ambiguous identification: *Carya glabra*, *Carya ovalis*", but this still refers to the labels on the specimens and not the concepts according to Weakley. In effect, I am suggesting we label ambiguous ids by Weakley concept lists, whereas we keep the other ids linked to the names in the databases from which they derive.

#### History

##### #1 - 11/01/2006 06:48 AM - Robert Peet

Peter White writes:

I wonder if it should be *Carya glabra* AND/OR *Carya ovalis*. If the record is based on lumping, but splitting is the standard, couldn't both taxa be present in a county? That is, a county dot map represents more than one specimen. Obviously one specimen has almost never two species, except when a collector has mounted two twigs on one sheet thinking they are the same, but they are not (I have seen this myself).

RKP responds:

Good idea. I think this expresses the situation more clearly.

However, I have some concerns.

1. AND/OR takes up more valuable real estate.
2. Maps are from the perspective of a single taxon, so we don't really care if both are present in the county -- that can be deduced from looking at the other map.

Let's see if Xianhua thinks there is space enough. Could get complex with something like *Andropogon virginicus* where several taxa have to be concatenated for the ambiguous Radford counties.

##### #2 - 03/13/2007 06:08 PM - xianhua liu

I guess this issue has been resolved by listing individual sources for ambiguous records instead of lumping them in one group.

##### #3 - 03/31/2007 10:03 AM - Robert Peet

fixed

##### #4 - 03/27/2013 02:20 PM - Redmine Admin

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