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Geographical range

Amazing Species: Grant's Golden Mole

Grant's Golden Mole, *Eremitalpa granti*, is listed as Least Concern on the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species™. This burrowing mammal is only found on the west coast of southern Africa, from St. Helena Bay in South Africa to Walvis Bay in Namibia. In contrast to other many Golden Moles, this species rarely builds lasting tunnels, instead Grant's Golden Mole 'swims' through sand just under the surface.

Grant's Golden Mole is subject to habitat fragmentation in parts of its range due to diamond mines, and the highly specialised ecology, arid environment, and limited distribution of this species may make it particularly susceptible to this threat. However, the amount of habitat loss within its range is not deemed to exceed the thresholds for increased conservation status.

The systematic status of the two subspecies of Grant's Golden Mole urgently needs to be clarified because if *Eremitalpa granti granti* is afforded species status, it might qualify for a Vulnerable classification owing to alteration of its habitat. Grant's Golden Mole occurs in the Namib-Naukluft National Park in Namibia, and may also occur in Namaqua National Park in South Africa.



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