Written by Patrick J. Alexander, 19-23 Jan 2022. I Plants annual or biennial; lower cauline leaves petiolate and the bases of the petioles auriculate-clasping; pappus absent on ray flowers, present on disk flowers 2 Distal cauline leaves ovate to broadly lanceolate, auriculate-clasping at base; plants usually branching below the Peripheral in southeastern Nevada. This species is widespread and variable, sometimes split into two or more species. 2 Distal cauline leaves oblong to lanceolate, sessile but not auriculate-clasping at base; plants usually unbranched below the In the Flora of North America treatment, Semple indicates that this species is rare and probably introduced in Nevada. I Plants perennial; lower cauline leaves sessile or petiolate but not auriculate-clasping; pappus present on ray and disk flowers 3 Heads subtended by leaflike bracts, these often equalling or exceeding the phyllaries 4 Distal cauline leaves and bracts strigose to hispido-strigose, minutely and inconspicuously glandular; bracts Nesom reports two collections from Nevada, from the Fish Creek Range and Bull Run Mountains. 4 Distal cauline leaves sparsely hispido-strigose to hirsute, prominently glandular; bracts prominently and coarsely ciliate, Nesom reports a lone collection from Nevada, in the Granite Range of Washoe County. 3 Heads not subtended by leaflike bracts, or occasionally with a lone, linear, inconspicuous bract 5 Stems glandular and sparsely hirsutulous; leaves many, closely spaced, linear to lanceolate, spreading to deflexed at the Throughout the state, mostly around rock outcrops. 5 Plants not as above: either the stems eglandular & sericeous or the leaves fewer, ascending, oblanceolate; phyllaries eglandular-pubescent, usually glandular as well 6 Stems long (> 50 cm on healthy plants), erect, ± straight and unbranched below the inflorescence; stem and leaves A narrow endemic around the southeast base of the Spring Mountains, from the west base of the Calico Hills southwest to Sandstone Spring, along arroyos and in damp places. 6 Stems short (< 50 cm), often curved or branched; eglandular pubescence of the stems and leaves hirsute to hirsutulous

Peripheral in Nevada, in the vicinity of Reno.

Key to Heterotheca of Nevada, based on Guy Nesom's treatment of Heterotheca section Chrysanthe (Phytoneuron 2020-68).