

Not R2 SS, But Should Be Considered for other

Emphasis Species Lists

Recommendations and Evaluations

Common Name: southwestern rabbitbush

Scientific Name: *Chrysothamnus pulchellus*

Recommendation: **Not R2 SS, be should be considered for other Emphasis Species Lists**

Recommendation Rationale:

Within R2, species occurs only along the Arkansas and Cimarron Rivers in Colorado and Kansas. Outside R2, it occurs in Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, and Mexico. It depends on loose soil in sandsage prairie and sand dunes. Habitats in R2 are limited but little is know about population abundance and trends, although herbarium labels indicate that where it occurs it may be locally abundant. Potential threats to the species from oil and gas development are minimal. Species responds positively to livestock grazing.