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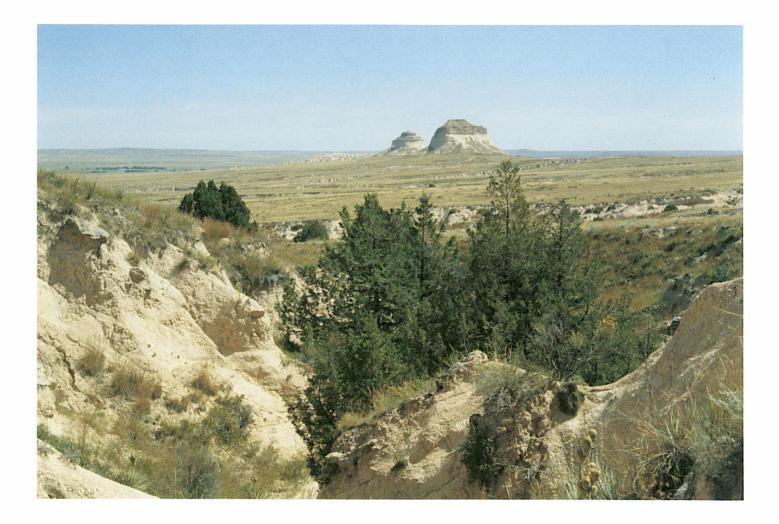
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This report briefly describes the main vegetation types and lists the vascular plant species that are known to occur in and near the Pawnee National Grassland, Weld County, Colorado. A checklist includes the scientific and common names for 521 species. Of these, 115 plant species (22 percent) are not native to this region. The life forms, habitats, and geographic distribution of native and introduced plants are summarized and discussed.

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Introduction

This publication documents vascular plants that occur within the boundaries of an area that includes all of the Pawnee National Grassland. The list will be useful to biologists and anyone looking for a common or scientific name for a plant that occurs in the shortgrass steppe region of northeastern Colorado. No plant species checklist is complete. In this large survey area, the discovery of additional native plant species is very likely and new exotic plant species could invade and become established in this area. It should be easy to add two or three additional plant species to this checklist but difficult to add 20-30 species.

The floristic survey area is in Weld County, Colorado, between 40° 36' and 41° 00' N latitude and between 103° 34' and 104° 48' E longitude (figure 1). The northern border of the study area is the Wyoming state line; the western border is Highway 85; the southern border is Weld County Road 86; and the eastern border is the Logan County line. This is about 1,728 square miles or 1,105,920 acres (447,566 ha). The survey area is a rectangle of approximately 64 miles (103 km) east to west and 27 miles (43 km) north to south. The highest elevation is about 6,350 feet (1,935 m) in the northwestern portion near the "Chalk Bluffs" and the lowest elevation is about 4,300 feet (1,310 m) in the southeastern portion around South Pawnee Creek. In general, the elevation of the Colorado Piedmont declines from the foothills of the mountains toward the east at a rate of about 10 feet per mile (2 m per km).

The Pawnee National Grassland, administered by the USDA Forest Service, covers 193,060 acres (79,876 ha). These public grasslands occur in a mosaic pattern over the entire survey area and include portions of all habitat types that occur in the survey area. For this reason more than 95 percent of the plant species on this checklist occur on the Pawnee National Grassland. The survey area includes the Central Plains Experimental Range (CPER), a research area administered by the Agricultural Research Service (figure 1). The CPER covers 14,639 acres (6,057 ha) and is about 8 percent the size of the Pawnee National Grassland.

Physical Setting

Climate

Three important factors affect the climate of the survey area: continentality, air masses, and mountain barriers

(Wilken 1987). Continentality refers to wide fluctuations in diurnal and seasonal temperatures that are characteristic of the central portions of continents. Midcontinental areas are far removed from the temperature-moderating effects of oceans or major bodies of water. The rapid absorption and release of heat by mid-continental land surfaces contributes to wide fluctuations in diurnal and seasonal temperatures.

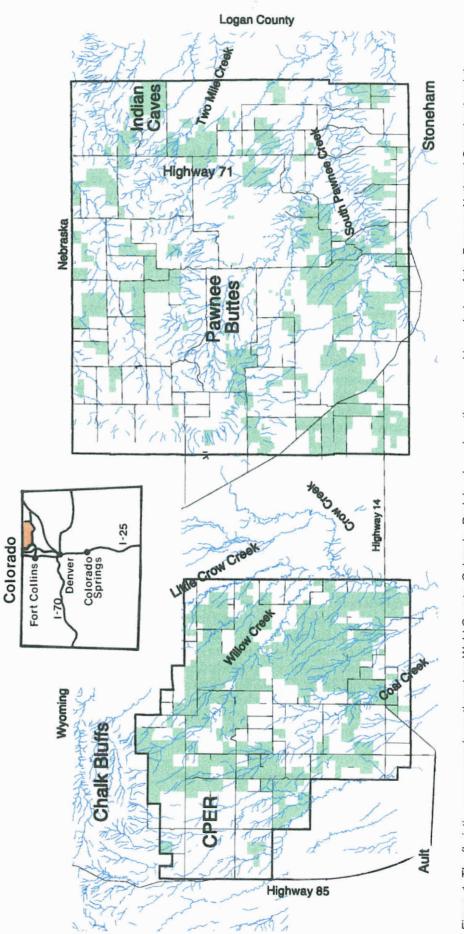
A second factor is the movement of large air masses across the Great Plains. These air masses usually have fairly uniform temperatures and relative humidities that are characteristic of their places of origin. Four main types of air masses that invade this section of the Great Plains are: (1) a continental tropical mass of warm, dry air from the southwest, (2) a continental polar mass of cold, dry air from Canada and northern states, (3) a marine tropical mass of warm, wet air from the Gulf of Mexico, and (4) a marine polar mass of cold, wet air from the northern Pacific Ocean and the Gulf of Alaska.

The third factor that affects the climate in this area is the Rocky Mountains. The north-south orientation of the Rocky Mountains places them perpendicular to the westerly winds that prevail at these latitudes. Therefore, the mountains partially block the invasions of marine polar air masses from the west. This feature, sometimes called the "rain shadow effect," contributes to drier conditions on the Great Plains east of the mountains and increasing precipitation as one moves east toward Kansas. In contrast, there are no large mountains to prevent the movement of warmwet air masses up from the south. Air masses that move north during the spring bring much of the annual precipitation. Hot, dry air masses from the southwest also invade during the summer months. Frigid, continental air masses from polar regions occasionally enter northeastern Colorado from the north during the winter.

A significant geomorphology feature toward the north is the Wyoming ridge in the northwestern portion of the study area, located between the Pawnee National Grassland and the Wyoming border. This escarpment serves as a weak barrier to moisture-laden air masses that move toward the Pawnee National Grassland from the north.

Crabb (1981) reported an average air temperature of 29° F (-2° C) during the winter months in northeastern Colorado with an average daily minimum temperature of 14° F (-10° C). For summer months the average air temperature for this region is 70° F (21° C), with an average daily maximum temperature of 87° F (31° C). The range in mean annual precipitation for the study area is 12-15 inches (305-380 mm). A 21-year average annual precipitation at the Central Plains Experimental Range (1969-1989) was 12.6 inches or 320 mm/y.

The driest months in the study area are October to February, when the average monthly precipitation is less than one-half inch (12 mm). About 70 percent of the annual precipitation occurs between April and August,





the main growing season. The average date of the first fall frost is early October and for the last spring frost is about mid-May. Afternoon or evening thunderstorms during the growing season occur on an average of 41 days each year. Localized thunderstorms, sometimes only one or a few events, greatly increase summer rainfall amounts. For each summer month the average precipitation is about two inches (52-55 mm). Although long-term rainfall amounts for June, July, and August are similar, there is a high degree of spatial and temporal variation in summer rainfall amounts. The unpredictable and spotty occurrence of summer thunderstorms is reflected by the highest standard deviations in monthly precipitation amounts during June, July, and August.

The average annual snowfall amount in northeastern Colorado is about 40 inches with an average of about 18 days with an inch or more of snow on the ground (Crabb 1981). Wind-driven snow often accumulates on leeward sides of hills and around shrubs. The meltdown of large patches of snow, especially in rocky or sandy soil, results in water penetration to greater depths at these locations.

Geology

The Pawnee National Grassland is located in the geomorphic sections of the Great Plains province known as the High Plains and the Colorado Piedmont (Trimble 1993). The escarpments along the northern part of the study area are the northern border of the Colorado Piedmont. The Colorado Piedmont is a High Plains area where the original plain surfaces have eroded away. The High Plains are areas east of the Rocky Mountains that were a fluviate plain during the Tertiary Period and that have since been exposed to minimal erosion. The Colorado Piedmont was part of an extensive alluvial area that extended east from the Rocky Mountains to beyond the eastern border of the Great Plains (Thornbury 1969). Surface materials that still exist between ancient stream channels toward the east were deposited during Tertiary sedimentation cycles (Lugn and Lugn 1956). Four main Tertiary sedimentation cycles (from oldest to most recent) were the White River (Oligocene Epoch), the Arikaree (lower Miocene), the Hemignord (Miocene), and the Ogallala (Miocene). The uppermost and most extensive of the Tertiary fluviate formations are sediments from the Ogallala formation.

The Arikaree and the Ogallala sediments are well known to paleontologists because these layers often contain vertebrate fossils (Scott 1978). Vertebrate fossils discovered in these sediment layers include bones of three-toed horses, dwarf horses, rhinoceros, ancient swine, camels, vultures, cormorants, a hippopotamus-like animal, and others.

In eastern Colorado these four layers of ancient sediments vary in thickness from a few feet to several hundred feet, depending upon the shape of topographic surfaces where they were deposited. Parts of the South Platte River have eroded 1,500 to 2,000 feet downward into these sediments. Other wind-swept portions of Ogallala sediments have been pitted by solution and deflation and have then been refilled by sand and silt. Still other portions of the Ogallala sediments have been little modified for over 5 million years. These ancient and uneroded land surfaces are noteworthy as a geological rarity.

Two notable geomorphologic features in the study area are the Pawnee Buttes and the Chalk Bluffs. The Chalk Bluff escarpments are a series of ridges, steep hills, and siltstone rock outcrops often capped by sandstone. These escarpments, located on private land, are considered to be the northern boundary of the Colorado Piedmont. The best known geomorphological feature in the survey area is the Pawnee Buttes. These two buttes rise to 5,275 feet (1,608 m). The tops of the buttes are only about 250 feet above the plains surface, but because of their isolation, they are a well-known landmark. Sediments from the Ogallala formation cap the buttes, with White River Group sediments in the lower portions. They have avoided the erosive forces that lowered the sediment layers of the surrounding areas, probably due to a slightly thickened or erosion resistant cap rock (Rick Brune, consultant, personal communication 1998).

Soils

Most of the soils on the Pawnee National Grassland are shallow to deep loams that are well drained (Crabb 1981). Over most of the area is a loamy, wind-mixed veneer layer of soil of varying depths. These soils are underlain by a variable pattern of shale and sandstone parent materials. This surface "veneer" or uniform topsoil layer is a favorable substrate for blue grama grass. Rock or gravel areas of shale and sandstone can be exposed when erosive wind and water remove upper layers of soil. These eroded portions create rock outcrops or "break" areas with gravel and rock on the surface. In a few areas, erosion has been so great that barren siltstone surfaces are exposed. Windswept siltstone barrens and ravines have minimal soil development but support interesting plant communities. Sandy soils occur along stream terraces and on leeward sides of some hills.

Over time, the erosive forces of wind and water have influenced the soils on the undulating hills of the prairie. Mobile soil particles, such as silt and clay, have eroded from higher topographic positions and have been deposited in lower areas. Therefore, swale areas often have finer textured soils than ridgetops. This difference in soil texture is sometimes reflected by a greater abundance of buffalo grass in swales. Some drainages, playas, and riparian areas have an accumulation of salts on or near the surface. Alkaline-tolerant plant species that occur in these areas include *Ambrosia tomentosa* (perennial bursage), *Chenopodium glaucum* (oakleaf goosefoot), *Distichilis spicata* (saltgrass), *Rayjacksonia annua* (annual goldenweed), *Sporobolus airoides* (alkali sacaton), and *Suaeda calceoliformis* (broom seepweed). Maps and detailed descriptions of the soil series types that occur in this study area can be found in Crabb (1981).

Vegetation

The vegetation in northeastern Colorado is classified by The Nature Conservancy (1997) as the Central Shortgrass Prairie Ecoregion. This ecoregion is the southern portion of the Great Plains-Palouse Dry Steppe Province of Bailey (1995). The term shortgrass steppe is perhaps the most appropriate word for the Pawnee National Grassland. The argument for this is that "steppe" (Russian for "step") has long been used as the name for similar grassland areas in Asia. For this reason Walter (1973) suggested that this name also be used for grasslands in the western hemisphere.

The shortgrass steppe or shortgrass prairie has traditionally been separated from other grasslands in the Great Plains area on the basis of the relative height of the dominant grasses. The most arid grassland is the blue grama/buffalo grass dominated shortgrass steppe. The midgrass and tallgrass prairies have more rainfall and progressively taller dominant grass species. There are areas of blue grama in both midgrass and tallgrass prairies, usually at more exposed locations. Weaver, a wellknown ecologist, once considered the shortgrass prairie as nothing but an overgrazed midgrass or tallgrass prairie. This view is no longer held by ecologists. Besides the low rainfall and dominance of short grasses, one of the better means to distinguish between the shortgrass and the midgrass or tallgrass prairies is that in the shortgrass steppe region all of the available soil moisture is transpired before the end of the growing season (Brown, undated). In general, less than 50 percent of the ground in shortgrass steppe is covered by vegetation.

Early settlers of the Great Plains had little problem recognizing the low rainfall amounts in the shortgrass steppe. Compared to tallgrass and midgrass prairies, much less of the shortgrass steppe was plowed and converted to agricultural land. Nonetheless, an estimated 60 percent of the high plains grassland in Weld County had been plowed by 1930 (Rhoads and Rhoads, undated), which contributed to the Dust Bowl. The presence of unplowed areas and the desire to reduce wind erosion after the Dust Bowl led to the protection of shortgrass prairies in eastern Colorado as the Pawnee and Comanche National Grasslands. Currently, most biologists refer to the vegetation of the Pawnee National Grassland as shortgrass steppe. Local residents refer to this same shortgrass steppe region as the plains, the shortgrass prairie, the prairie, or "The Pawnee."

Surrounding Vegetation

The floristic survey area is surrounded by different types of vegetation. Toward the north there is a decrease in temperature and an increase in annual precipitation amounts. These changes result in a decrease in the abundance of *Bouteloua gracilis* (blue grama), a warm-season species, and an increase in the abundance of cool-season species. Cool-season plant species that are more common in southeastern Wyoming include *Astragalus drummondii* (Drummond's milk-vetch), *Koeleria macrantha* (junegrass), *Pascopyron smithii* (western wheat grass), and *Stipa comata* (needle and thread). Southeastern Wyoming also has more sandy soil and, therefore, larger areas of *Calamovilfa longifolia* (prairie sandreed).

West of the study area is a transitional area or ecotone between the shortgrass steppe and the Rocky Mountains. Plant species present along perennial streams toward the west include Gentianella amarella (little gentian), Hippuris vulgaris (mare's tail), and Stachys palustris (hedge-nettle). The absence of these species from the survey area is an indication of few riparian areas. Along Lone Tree Creek (toward the west) and Cottonwood Creek (toward the north) is Gaura neomexicana ssp. coloradensis (Colorado butterfly plant), a rare plant species that has not been located in the survey area. Plant species that are more common toward the foothills than in the survey area include Astragalus tridactylicus (three-leaved mild-vetch), Helianthus pumilus (foothill's sunflower), Lupinus argenteus (silvery lupine), Oxytropis multiceps (dwarf loco), and Townsendia hookeri (Easter daisy).

South of the survey area is a mosaic of agricultural land, sandhills, and shortgrass steppe vegetation. From northeastern to southeastern Colorado the general appearance of the shortgrass steppe is similar, but there are changes in the presence, frequency, and abundance of plant species. Astragalus mollissimus (woolly locoweed) and Solanum rostratum (buffalo bur) become more abundant toward the south. Northern species that are infrequent or absent toward the south include Astragalus sericoleucus (silky orophaca), Musineon divaricatum (leafy wild parsley), and Scutellaria brittonii (Britton's skullcap). Common plant species toward the south that are absent in the survey area include Artemisia bigelovii (Bigelow's sagebrush), Glandularia bipinnatifida (Dakota vervain), Leucelene ericoides (white aster), Hilaria jamesii (galleta grass), Pectis angustifolia (narrowleaf pectis), and Proboscidea louisianica (devil's claw).

Compared to the survey area, southeastern Colorado has more endemic plant species. Among these are *Ambrosia linearis* (Plains ragweed), *Frasera coloradensis* (Colorado green gentian), *Oenothera harringtonii* (Arkansas valley evening primrose), and *Oönopsis foliosa* var. *monocephala* (rayless goldenweed). Besides these four Colorado endemics, other southeastern plant species that are associated with specific soils types include *Frankenia jamesii* (alkali heath bush), *Stipa neomexicana* (New Mexican needle-and-thread), several *Penstemon species*, and several *Eriogonum* species. The presence of more endemic plant species in southeastern Colorado is related to factors such as a greater variety of edaphic conditions, warmer weather, and a closer proximity to plant species from more southern floristic provinces (Clark 1996).

Shortgrass steppe vegetation continues toward the east of the study area as far as western Kansas. As rainfall increases toward the east there is no marked boundary between shortgrass and mixed-grass prairies. Instead, there is a gradual transition to mixed-grass prairie in central Kansas and then to tall-grass prairie in eastern Kansas. An indication of greater rainfall toward the east is an increase in the number of cultivated fields and a shift from dryland wheat to corn fields.

Also toward the south and east are large, sometimes extensive areas of sandy soils. These sandhills are included in the Central Shortgrass Ecoregion but do not have shortgrass steppe species as dominants. Instead, *Artemisia filifolia* (sand sage) and *Calamovilfa longifolia* (prairie sandreed) are often abundant. Other species that occur in sandy soils toward the east, but not in the survey area, are Amaranthus arenicola (sandhills pigweed), Cyperus schweinitzii (sand sedge), Dalea villosa (silky prairie clover), Eriogonum annuum (annual buckwheat), Euploca convolvulacea (sand heliotrope), Ipomopsis longiflora (gilia), Muhlenbergia pungens (sand muhly), Palafoxia sphacelata (palafoxia), Polanisia jamesii (cristatella), Redfieldia flexuosa (blowout grass), and Triplasis purpurea (sandgrass). Penstemon haydenii (blowout penstemon) is a rare endemic in the sandhills of Nebraska that is not known to occur in Colorado.

Habitats Within the Survey Area

For this report each shortgrass steppe plant species was assigned to one of six habitats (table 1). This approach to habitat designation allows plant species distributions to determine the number of habitats that are present. For example, since certain plant species occur only along roadsides and in disturbed areas, it was necessary to designate roadside and disturbed sites as a habitat type. In like fashion, some plant species occur only on siltstone barrens or on exposed rocky shale or gravel breaks. Therefore, exposed barrens and breaks were also designated as a habitat type. A plant species was assigned to a particular habitat whenever it consistently occurred at a particular location or edaphic condition. Some plant species, such as Bouteloua gracilis (blue grama), occur in several habitats. For species that routinely occur in multiple habitats, the location where it was most abundant (field observations) was selected as the "primary" habitat. In the case of blue grama this was the open steppe.

Table 1. A comparison of the number of plant species in six primary habitats and three duration categories for 406 native and 115 exotic plant species.

	Open steppe	Sandy soils	Breaks/ barrens	Cliffs/ ravines	Riparian	Roadsides/ disturbed soils	Total (%)
Native							
annuals	22	12	0	4	23	20	81 (20%)
biennials	5	1	1	4	10	2	23 (6%)
perennials	80	19	28	50	112	13	299 (74%)
subtotal	107	32	29	58	145	35	406
Exotic							
annuals	0	2	0	0	26	41	68 (60%)
biennials	0	0	0	0	5	9	14 (12%)
perennials	0	0	0	0	20	12	32 (28%)
subtotal	0	2	0	0	51	62	115 ໌ ໌
Total	107	34	29	58	196	97	521
(percentages)	21%	6%	6%	11%	38%	18%	100%

Open steppe

The most common habitat on the Pawnee National Grassland and in this survey area is open steppe. This habitat of flat plains and undulating hills covers more than 80 percent of the study area. The dominant species are *Bouteloua gracilis* (blue grama) and, to a lesser extent, *Buchloe dactyloides* (buffalo grass). Other characteristic plant species of open steppe habitat are *Aristida purpurea* (threeawn), *Artemisia frigida* (fringed sage), *Chrysothamnus nauseosus* var. *nauseosus* (rabbitbrush), *Gutierrezia sarothrae* (snakeweed), *Muhlenbergia torreyi* (ring muhly), *Opuntia polyacantha* (prickly pear cactus), *Pascopyron smithii* (western wheatgrass), *Psoralidium tenuiflorum* (scurf pea), and *Sphaeralcea coccinea* (scarlet globemallow).

Sandy soils

Throughout the floristic survey area are small and scattered patches of sandy soil. These frequently occur along dry creek beds, in stream terraces, and near some hilltops. As discussed above, there are large areas of sandy soil with additional plant species characteristic of sandy soil toward the east and south of the floristic survey area (Yuma and southern Weld Counties). Within the survey area only about 5 percent of the area has sandy soil. Characteristic sandy soil shrubs are *Artemisia filifolia* (sand sage) and *Yucca glauca* (small soapweed). Plant species within the survey area that often occur on sandy soil include *Artemisia campestris* (western sagewort), *Corispermum hyssopifolium* (hopleaf tickseed), *Cycloloma atriplicifolium* (tumble ringweed), *Evolvulus nutallianus* (Nuttall's evolvulus), and *Psoralidium lanceolatum* (lemon scurf pea). The infrequent *Chenopodium cycloides* (sandhills goosefoot) is known from Weld county but has not been discovered in the survey area.

Breaks and barrens

Plants in this habitat have no cliff or ravine walls to shade them from the sun and seldom occur in other habitats. Important characteristics of this habitat are minimal soil development and a substrate that is either barren siltstone or with abundant rock or gravel. Common plant species on exposed siltstone barrens near the Chalk Bluffs are Eriogonum brevicaule (shortstem eriogonum) and the infrequent Shinnersoseris rostrata (shinnersoseris). Frequent in the vicinity of the Pawnee Buttes are Cryptantha cana (cryptantha), Eriogonum pauciflorum (fewflower buckwheat), Leptodactylon caespitosum (clump slenderlobe), and Hedysarum boreale (sweet broom). On the barrens in both areas are Arenaria hookeri (tufted sandwort), Astragalus sericoleucus (silky orophaca), Ipomopsis spicata (spike gilia), Comandra umbellata (bastard toadflax), Astragalus spatulatus (draba milkvetch), and Phlox hoodii (Hood's phlox).

The tufted sandwort occurs on both gravel and siltstone barrens, but only on some barrens does it develop a unique mound shape (figure 2). This shape makes it easy to recognize and one of the most conspicuous plants in the region. The spreading perennial mat that this plant produces protects the siltstone beneath it from erosion. Meanwhile, the wind and water slowly erode the siltstone around this mat. Over time (the age of these plants could be hundreds of years), the margins of this mat droop down to occupy space where soil was, while the center of the



Figure 2: A flowering Arenaria hookeri (tufted sandwort) on a siltstone barren of the Pawnee National Grassland.

plant remains in the same place. The result is a domeshaped, often symmetrical mat that can be over 20 cm tall.

Barren and break plant species at or near the southern edge of geographical ranges include Astragalus gilviflorus (plains orophaca), Lesquerella alpina (bladderpod), Leptodactylon caespitosum (clump slenderlobe), Lomatium nuttallii (Nuttall's lomatium), Machaeranthera grindelioides (ragless goldenweed), Parthenium alpinum (Wyoming feverfew), and Stenotus armeroides (goldenweed).

Cliffs and ravines

Many native plants, mainly woody species, occur in the shade of cliffs or ravines. Ravines are most common in the north and northeastern portions of the survey area. This includes Dave's Draw, major creek drainages, Indian Caves, and the vicinity of the Pawnee Buttes. The partial shade afforded to plants in this habitat and their deep roots apparently facilitate their survival. Plant species that occur in these areas include *Juniperus scopulorum* (Rocky Mountain juniper), *Prunus virginiana* (chokecherry), and two species of *Ribes* (gooseberry). Under shaded ledges in the Indian Caves area are *Maianthemum stellatum* (spikenard), *Parietaria pensylvanica* (pelitory), *Urtica dioica* (nettles), and two species of fern.

Riparian

The creeks in the study area with the most water were recognized long ago by early settlers. These settlers often built earthen dams across creeks or near springs to capture water for livestock. In most cases, the only time there is enough water to accumulate behind small dams or in playas is after meltdown of a snowpack or a large rainfall event. The exceptions are a few creeks and underground springs that usually have at least some water, even in dry years. The riparian areas with the most perennial water are Coal Creek, Willow Creek, South Pawnee Creek, Little Crow Creek and its tributaries, Two Mile Creek and Lone Tree Creek. Lone Tree Creek is the only one of these creeks that does not occur on the Pawnee National Grassland. Two Mile Creek is one of the creeks that has been least modified by dams. Other creeks in the survey area that occasionally have ponds with aquatic or riparian vegetation are Geary Creek, Owl Creek, Little Owl Creek, Wild Horse Creek, Howard Creek, Eastman Creek, and Robinson Creek.

Greater water availability has provided a habitat for many native and exotic plant species. Among the obligate aquatic plant species are *Heteranthera limosa* (mud plantain), *Marsilea vestita* (clover fern), the infrequent *Potamogeton diversifolium* (waterthread pondweed), *Potamogeton foliosus* (leafy pondweed), and *Ranunculus aquatilis* (white water crowfoot). Two infrequent riparian herbs that must be rooted in mud are *Elatine triandra* (waterwort) and *Limosella aquatica* (mudwort). Other infrequent riparian species are *Agalinis tenuifolia* (gerardia), two species of *Sisyrinchium* (blue-eyed grass), *Schoenoplectus saximontanus* (bulrush), and *Triglochin maritima* (arrowgrass). An isolated population of *Erigeron lonchophyllus* (fleabane daisy)occurs along a tributary of Little Crow Creek, but this fleabane daisy is more common at higher elevations.

Common native plant genera in riparian areas are Aster, Bidens, Carex, Eleocharis, Equisetum, Juncus, Lycopus, Polygonum, Rumex, Schoenoplectus, Trifolium, and Veronica. The familiar Populus deltoides (cottonwood tree) and Salix exigua (sandbar willow) are locally common along many creeks. Several exotic Tamarix ramosissima (salt cedar) saplings were seen at one location along Little Owl Creek in 1994, but have not yet been relocated. Common riparian exotics include the abundant Cirsium arvense (Canada thistle), an occasional Elaeagnus angustifolius (Russian olive), Iva xanthifolia (marsh elder), Poa pratensis (Kentucky blue grass), Polypogon monspeliensis (rabbitfoot grass), and the omnipresent Taraxicum officinale (dandelion).

Roadsides and disturbed soils

Areas covered by roads, disturbed areas, pens, and buildings cover less than 5 percent of the study area. The crowned county roads allow water to accumulate in side ditches. This increase in water allows some native and many exotic plant species to become established along roadsides. Among the native plant species that occur along roadsides are immigrant species from higher rainfall areas. Roadside corridor arrivals from the east include Cichorium intybus (chicory), Mirabilis nyctaginea (wild fouro'clock), Panicum virgatum (witchgrass), Physalis virginiana (ground cherry), and Vicia americana (American vetch). Other arrivals from the north or west are Stipa robusta (sleepy grass) and a few Artemisia cana (silver sage) shrubs near Highway 85 north of Nunn. Two widespread native but ruderal plant species that occur along roadsides are Asclepias speciosa (milkweed) and Helianthus annuus (common sunflower). Picradeniopsis oppositifolia (bahia) and Ambrosia tomentosa (perennial bursage) are examples of native steppe species that can occur in large patches along roadsides.

Native plants are present, but the most abundant roadside plant species are introduced species. Common among these are Bromus tectorum (brome grass), Conyza canadensis (horseweed), several Descurainia (tansy mustard) taxa, Kochia scoparia (alkaliweed), Melilotus officinalis (yellow sweet clover), Salsola tragus (tumbleweed), Salvia reflexa (lanceleaf sage or chia), Sisymbrium altissimum (tumble mustard), Tragopogon dubius (goat's beard), and Tribulus terrestris (tackbur). Two roadside exotics with bright yellow flowers that are increasing in abundance in the survey area are Linaria dalmatica (dalmatian toadflax) and Verbesinia encelioides (cowpen daisy).

Nomenclature

There are several field guides and floras available from which to select the most appropriate scientific name for plant species that occur in northeastern Colorado. These include Dorn (1992), Great Plains Flora Association (1986), and Weber and Wittmann (1992 and 1996). In addition, a PLANTS (Plant List of Accepted Nomenclature, Taxonomy, and Symbols) database is maintained by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (1995). PLANTS is continually updated and is available online at http://trident.itc.nrcs.usda. gov/plants/. The first three volumes of *Flora of North America North of Mexico* (1993-1997) have also been published.

For each plant species in the survey area, a widely accepted scientific name was placed first on the checklist. Scientific names in the available volumes of Flora of North America North of Mexico (mainly ferns and Ranunculaceae) and in Rollins (1993) were used. For other plant species, I compared the scientific names that are used by the Rocky Mountain Herbarium (University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY), R. L. McGregor Herbarium (University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS), University of Colorado Herbarium (Boulder, CO), and the PLANTS database. If all sources agreed, I placed this scientific name first on the checklist. When differences in plant nomenclature occurred, I also searched Dorn (1992), Hickman (1993), Hitchcock (1950), Great Plains Flora Association (1986), Weber and Whittman (1992), and Welsh et al. (1993). A widely accepted scientific name was selected and placed first. Common synonyms and proposed scientific names for taxa were listed in brackets after this name.

For each plant species on this checklist, a representative plant collection was examined and designated a voucher specimen. After each scientific name are also the names of plant collectors, collection numbers of representative collections, and the herbarium acronyms that indicate the herbarium where a collection is archived. Plant specimens that occur near but not in the survey area (Larimer, Logan, or Weld counties) were included on the checklist in parentheses. The name Weld in parentheses indicates a voucher specimen from this county but outside the survey area. A few specimens that other botanists or I have seen but not yet collected are listed as reported.

Distribution

A total of 521 plant taxa were reported from the floristic survey area. Of this total, 115 (22 percent) were introduced or exotic plant taxa. The duration categories for the 406 native plant taxa were 74 percent perennials, 20 percent annuals, and 6 percent biennials. The duration categories for the 114 exotic plant taxa were 28 percent perennials, 60 percent annuals and 12 percent biennials. For both native and exotic plants, the biennial category included plant species that sometimes also occur as annuals or perennials.

The distribution of native and exotic plant taxa among six habitat categories indicates that 36 percent of native and 44 percent of exotic plant taxa occur primarily in riparian habitats (table 1). This is a large proportion since riparian areas comprise less than 10 percent of the survey area. In contrast, only 26 percent of the native plant taxa occur primarily in the open steppe, a habitat that occupies more than 80 percent of the survey area. Approximately 53 percent of the exotic plant species occur primarily in disturbed soils along roadsides.

The distribution of native and exotic plant taxa among eight life form categories indicated that 17 percent of the native and 18 percent of the exotic taxa are graminoids (table 2). More than 70 percent of both native and exotic plants were forbs. Details on the number and distribution of native and exotic plant species among life forms and habitat categories are on tables 1 and 2.

Comparisons of Distributions

The four glacial periods that affected the Great Plains area are named for the states where their southernmost extention occurred. The Nebraska glacial peroid began about one million years ago and was followed by the Kansan, Illinoian, and the Wisconsin. The retreat of the Wisconsin glacier began approximately 12,000 years ago (Dort and Jones 1970). The prairie of eastern Colorado has been present at least this long, although initially it probably had different dominants.

The relatively short amount of time since much colder climatic conditions persited has not allowed for extensive speciation of plant species. The Great Plains area has relatively low rates of plant endemism. Risser (1988) reported that less than 15 Great Plains plant species are listed or proposed to be listed as federally threatened or endangered taxa. There are only about 50 endemic plant species in the entire region. Currently, the only Pawnee National Grassland plant species that is infrequent enough to be listed by federal agencies is Parthenium alpinum (Wyoming feverfew). This taxon is considered a sensitive species by the USDA Forest Service and has a federal status of C3. A C3 status is a plant that has been determined to be more abundant than previously thought and is not subject to any immediate threat. Wyoming feverfew is very abundant on limestone hills in Platte County,

	Graminoids	Herbs	Trees	Shrubs	Aquatics/ succulents	Vines/ parasites	Total (%)
Native							
annuals	6	70	-	-	1/4	0	81
biennialsª	0	23	-	-		-	23
perennials	65	190	6	21	6/6	4/4	299
subtotal	71	283	6	21	7/10	4/4	406 (78%
Exotic							
annuals	13	53	-	-	0/2	1/0	68
biennialsª	0	14	-	-	-	-	14
perennials	9	18	3	1	0	1/0	32
subtotal	22	85	3	1	0/2	2/0	115 (22%
Total	93	368	9	22	7/12	6/4	521
(percentages)	18%	71%	2%	4%	3%	2%	100%

Table 2. A comparison of the number of plant species in eight life form and three duration categories for 406 native and 115 exotic plant species.

^aThe biennial life form includes biennial plants that can also occur as annuals and/or perennials.

Wyoming, but only a few plants in this species have been found in northeastern Colorado. This plant is currently known from only one location on the Pawnee National Grassland.

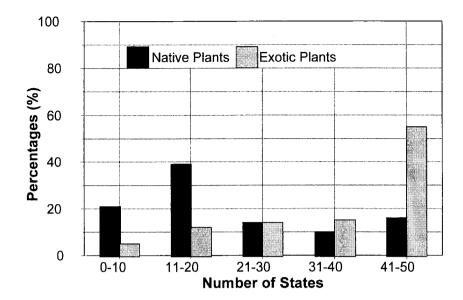
With few endemic plant species, it is not surprising that most plant species in the Great Plains have geographic ranges that extend beyond the Great Plains region (Great Plains Flora Association 1986). To better quantify the size of geographic ranges for plant species that occur in this study area, a record was made of the number of states where each plant species is known to occur. The total number of states where each plant species occurred was determined for all native and exotic plant species (figure 3). The data on presence or absence in each state were obtained from the PLANTS database. Supplemental range distribution information was obtained from Hitchcock (1950), *Flora of North America North of Mexico* (1997), and Welsh et al. (1993).

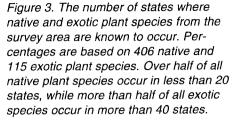
One limitation to the comparison of geographic distributions based on the number of states is that states are of different sizes. In addition, when the range of a plant species barely enters a state, this state is tallied as a location for that species. Because of these constraints, no differences in geographic ranges could be presumed for plant species that differed in occurrence by only a few states.

Despite these constraints, the number of states where each plant species occur allows for interesting comparisons. For example, the Great Plains area covers 12 states. A tally of survey species that occur in 1-12 states indicates the number of species with ranges that are approximately the same size or smaller than the Great Plains area. This tally indicated that 126, or 31 percent, of 406 native species occur in 1-12 states. The complementary statistic is that 280 (about two-thirds) of the native plant species in the survey area have a geographical range larger than the Great Plains region.

Native plant species that occur in the 1-12 states are: 16 species in 1-5 states, 72 species in 6-10 states, and 38 species in 11-12 states. There were no Colorado endemic plant species in the survey area. Native plant species that occur in only two states are Astragalus tridactylicaus (threeleafed milk-vetch) and Parthenium alpinum (Wyoming feverfew); species that occur in three states are Helianthus pumilis (foothill's sunflower) and Delphinium geyeri (Geyer's larkspur); species that occur in four states are Eriogonum pauciflorum (few-flowered buckwheat), Musineon tenuifolium (Nuttall's biscuitroot) and Oxytropis multiceps (dwarf locoweed); and species that occur in five states are Scutellaria brittonii (Britton's skullcap), Cryptantha cana (mountain cat's-eye), Atriplex gardneri var. utahensis (moundscale), Paronychia depressa (nailwort), Townsendia grandiflora (Easter daisy), and Chenopidium cycloides (sandhill goosefoot).

The geographic distribution of exotic plant species was much greater than that of native plant species (figure 3). The median number of states where native plant species occur is 16, while the median number of states where exotic plant species occur is 43. Over half of the exotic plant species in this study area occurred in 40 or more states. Many of these exotic plants are widespread annuals of Eurasian origin. On the other hand, several exotic





plant species have small geographic ranges. The exotic plant species with the smallest geographic ranges were *Thinopyrum ponticum* (tall wheatgrass) in six states and *Scorzonera laciniata* (cut-leaf salsifly) in five states. The range of these and of other exotic plant species will probably continue to expand. Tall wheatgrass may already be seeded into pastures of additional states and has simply not yet been reported.

A comparison of the names on this checklist with species that are known to occur in Wyoming indicated that nine plant species in the survey area have not yet been reported from Wyoming. Two of these are the weedy *Hibiscus trionum* (flower-of-an-hour) and *Datura stramonium* (jimson weed). Seven native plants not yet known from Wyoming are *Astragalus plattensis* (Platte milk-vetch), *Celtis reticulata* (netleaf hackberry), *Chenopodium incanum* (goosefoot), *Heteranthera limosa* (mud plantain), *Ipomopsis laxiflora* (gilia), *Orobanche multiflora* (broomrape), and *Quincula lobata* (purple ground cherry). Each of these plant species is at the northern or eastern portion of its geographic range.

Exotic Plant Species

Sims (1988) suggested that the shortgrass steppe region is less invaded by exotic plant species than other North American grasslands. This study identified more that 22 percent of the species in the flora as exotics. Most of these occur near cultivated land, along roadsides or in riparian areas. I agree with Sims in that none of the shortgrass steppe exotics identified cover extensive areas of the open steppe habitat. However, a few exotics are locally common in disturbed soils of the open steppe, including around fence posts. These species include *Bromus tectorum* (brome grass), *Kochia scoparia* (kochia), *Salsola tragus* (tumbleweed), and *Sisymbrium altissimum* (tumble mustard). Each of these four species, especially brome grass, is more common on the open steppe during a wet spring and may persist in the soil seed bank during dry years. Therefore, these exotics may be able to hold on to steppe areas they gain during wet years as seeds in the soil and continue to advance across the open steppe during each subsequent wet year.

Common exotics in riparian areas are *Cirsium arvense* (Canadian thistle), *Conyza canadensis* (horseweed), and several species of *Polygonum* (smartweed). As of 1998, the Canadian thistle is the most aggressive perennial exotic on the Pawnee National Grassland.

The cropland and roadside exotics can be separated into at least three groups of species. The first group includes species that occur along roadsides and in disturbed sites throughout the survey area. A second group includes species that are confined mainly to cropland, especially to areas with irrigated crops. These include Abutilon theophrasti (velvet leaf), Aegilops cylindrica (jointed goatgrass), Datura stramonium (jimson weed), Hibiscus trionum (flower-of-an-hour), Panicum millaceum (proso millet), and Secale cereale (wild rye). These species often occur in sugar beet, wheat, bean, gardens, corn and wheat fields, respectively. Other plant species that occur primarily in or near irrigation ditches and gardens are Anemone canadensis (meadow anemone), Malva parviflora (smallfruited mallow), Setaria glauca (yellow foxtail), and Setaria viridis (green foxtail).

A third group includes species with moisture requirements that are intermediate to the wet conditions of irrigated cropland and the more xeric conditions of prairie roadsides. These exotics occur along ditches near irrigated crops, along urban roadsides, and in vacant town lots. During wet years these species can spread into more xeric roadside areas and into riparian areas. These more mesic exotics include *Bromus inermis* (smooth brome), *Chorispora tenella* (blue mustard), *Convolvulus arvensis* (field bindweed), *Lactuca serriola* (prickly lettuce), *Polygonum aviculare* (knotweed), *Scorzonera laciniata* (false salsify), and *Solanum triflorum* (cut-leaved nightshade). *Chloris virgata* (feather fingergrass) is a weedy grass that occurs in southern Weld county but has not yet invaded the survey area. This *Chloris* species thrives during hot, wet summers and may eventually expand along roadsides as far north as Wyoming. An annual grass that occurs occasionally in disturbed urban sites is *Bouteloua simplex* (sixweeks grama).

Homestead and Planted Species

There are several plant species that were planted long ago that still persist around old homesteads or buildings. A commonly planted tree that persists in many areas is Ulmus pumila (Siberian elm). There are also a few planted Acer negundo (boxelder maple) trees. The Siberian elm is on the checklist but the boxelder maple tree is not because the boxelder maple trees do not appear to be able to reestablish from seed. Other species that were planted, but that do not appear to reestablish from seed, are Prunus americana (American plum), Parthenocissus sp. (Virginia creeper), and Syringa vulgaris (common lilac). Exotic plant species that have been able to survive and to re-establish themselves without human help in the survey area are Artemisia absinthium (large absinthe or common wormwood), Marrubium vulgare (horehound mint), Lycium barbarum (matrimony vine), and Saponaria officinalis (bouncing bet).

Since the early 1800s, *Artemisia absinthium* has become naturalized throughout the Great Plains region, often along roadsides and riparian areas, and is now present in at least 31 states. It was once used as a vermifuge for livestock and perhaps also for people. Field observations from 1992-1997 suggest that the area covered by large absinthe along Willow Creek in the Pawnee National Grassland is increasing.

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CHECKLIST OF VASCULAR PLANT SPECIES

The first listed name is a widely accepted scientific name for this taxon (see Nomenclature section on page 8). An asterisk (*) indicates an exotic taxon. Names in square brackets are synonyms or proposed names. If only a genus name is in a bracket, the specific epithet of this genus is the same as the first listed name. The names of plant collectors, collection numbers, and acronyms of herbaria where a voucher is deposited are included: CU=University of Colorado Herbarium at Boulder; CS=Colorado State University herbarium at Fort Collins; RM=Rocky Mountain Herbarium at the University of Wyoming; and KHD=Kalmbach Herbarium Denver at the Denver Botanic Gardens. A county name in parentheses indicates a collection from this county or in Weld County, but outside the study area. A reported taxon is one that has been seen but not collected.

FERNS AND FERN ALLIES	COMMON NAME	
Dryopteridaceae Woodsia oregana D.C. Eaton ssp. cathcartiana (B. L. Robinson) Windham Hazlett 7714/CS	Oregon cliff fern	
Equisetaceae	common coouring ruch	
Equisetum hyemale L. ssp. affine (Engelmann) Calder & Roy L. Taylor [Hippochaete] Lederer 97-252 (Logan) Equisetum laevigatum A. Braum [Hippochaete] Klein 3280/CS	common scouring rush smooth scouring rush	
Marsileaceae Marsilea vestita Hooker & Greville [<i>M. mucronata</i>] Hazlett 10018/CU	western water-clover	
Pteridaceae		
Cheilanthes feei T. Moore [Sinopteridaceae] Lederer 4510/CU	slender lip fern	
GYMNOSPERMS		
Cupressaceae Juniperus scopulorum Sargent [Sabina] Hazlett 7796/CS (at CPER)	Rocky Mountain juniper	
Pinaceae		
Pinus flexilis E. James Hazlett 7533/CS (at CPER) Pinus ponderosa Douglas ex Lawson & C. Lawson ssp. scopulorum Engelman in S. Watson (reported)	limber pine mountain ponderosa pine	
ANGIOSPERMS: MONOCOTS		
Agavaceae <i>Yucca glauca</i> Nuttall var. <i>glauca</i> Sawyer 108/CS	soapweed, Spanish bayonet	
Alismataceae		
Sagittaria cuneata Sheldon Neese & Andrews 16005/CS Sagittaria latifolia Willdenow var. latifolia Hazlett 10027/CS	arrowhead broadleaf arrowhead	
Commeliniaceae <i>Tradescantia occidentalis</i> (Britton) Smyth var. <i>occidentalis</i> Walter 1716/CS	spiderwort	
Cyperaceae		
Bolboschoenus maritumus (L.) Palla ssp. paludosus (Nelson) T. Koyama [Scirpus maritimus var. paludosus] Hazlett 9893/CS	swollen rush	
Carex aquatilis Wahlenberg ssp. aquatilis Hazlett 9313/CU	water sedge	
<i>Carex aurea</i> Nuttall Hazlett 9289/CU <i>Carex brevior</i> (Dewey) Mackenzie Hogan 1276/CU	golden sedge sedge	
Carex filifolia Nuttall Walter 1724/CS	threadleaf sedge	
Carex inops L. Bailey ssp. heliophila (Mackenzie) Crins.	Pennsylvania sedge, sun sedge	

ANGIOSPERMS: MONOCOTS (Cont'd.)

Cyperaceae (Cont'd.)	
Carex lanuginosa Michaux (reported)	Woolly sedge
Carex nebrascensis Dewey Hazlett 7789/CS, 9352/CU	Nebraska sedge
Carex praegracilis W. Boott. Hazlett 9312/CS	blackcreeper sedge
Carex rossii F. Boott Hazlett 10334/CS	Ross' sedge
Carex simulata Mackenzie Yeatts 3265/KHD Carex stenophylla Wahlenberg [C. stenophylla ssp. eleocharis,	lookalike sedge narrowleaf sedge
<i>C. duriscula, C. eleocharis</i>] Hazlett 9710/CU	nanowear sedge
Cyperus acuminatus Torrey & Hooker ex Torrey Lederer 4514/CU	acuminate flatsedge
Eleocharis acicularis (L.) Roemer & Schultes Lederer 4494/CU	slender spikerush
Eleocharis palustris (L.) Roemer & Schultes [E. macrostachya] Hazlett 10102/CU	common spikerush
Eleocharis parvula (Roemer & Schultes) Link [E. coloradoënsis] Moir 696131/CU	dwarf spikerush
Schoenoplectus acutus (Mühlenberg ex Bigelow) Löve & Löve var. acutus [Scirpus, Schoenoplectus lacustris ssp. acutus] Sawyer 49/CS	hardstem bulrush
Schoenoplectus pungens (M. Vahl.) Palla [Scirpus pungens var. polyphyllus, Scirpus americanus] Hazlett 9290/CU	common threesquare
Schoenoplectus saximontanus (Fernald) Raynal [Scirpus] Hazlett 9345/CU	annual bulrush
Schoenoplectus tabernaemontani (K.C. Gmel.) Palla [Schoenoplectus lacustris ssp. creber, Scirpus tabernaemontani, Scirpus validus] Hazlett 9329/CU	softstem bulrush, tule
Iridaceae	
Sisyrinchium idahoense Bicknell var. occidentale (Bicknell) D. Henderson Hazlett 9292/CS	Idaho blue-eyed grass
Sisyrinchium montanum Greene Hazlett 10028/CU	blue-eyed grass
Juncaceae	
Juncus balticus Willdenow var. montanus Engelmann [J. arcticus var. balticus, J. ater] Harrington 107/CS	Baltic rush
Juncus longistylis Torrey var. longistylis Hazlett 9291/CU	rush
Juncus nodosus L. Neese & Andrews 16027/CS, Hazlett 9325/CU Juncus torreyi Coville Hazlett 7838/CS & 9354/CU	knotted rush Torrey's rush
Juncaginaceae	
Triglochin maritimum L. Hazlett 10025/CS, 9336/CU	arrowgrass
Liliaceae	
Allium textile A. Nelson & Macbride [Alliaceae] Walter 1752/CS	wild onion
Leucocrinum montanum Nuttall sand lily Sawyer 10/ CS	spikenard
Maianthemum stellatum (L.) Link [Convallariaceae: Smilacina] Hazlett 7702/CS	spikenaru
Zigadenus venenosus S. Watson var. gramineus (Rydberg) Walsh ex	death camas
Peck [Melanthiaceae: Toxicoscordion] Hazlett 7624/CS (at CPER)	
Poaceae	
*Aegilops cylindrica Host [Cylindropyrum] wheat fields	jointed goatgrass, jointgrass
*Agropyron cristatum (L.) Gaertner Klein 3265/CS	crested wheatgrass
*Agrostis stolonifera L. Sawyer 285/CS Andropogon gerardii Vitman Johnson 251/CS (Weld)	redtop bentgrass big bluestem
Andropogon hallii Hackel Christ 1257/CS	sand bluestem
Aristida purpurea Nuttall var. fendleriana (Steudel) Vasey	Fendler's three-awn
[A. fendleriana] Johnson 187/CS	
Aristida purpurea Nuttall var. longiseta (Steud.) Vasey	purple three-awn, no-eatum
[A. longiseta Steud.] Wilken & Painter 13367/CS	American structures
Beckmannia syzigachne (Steudel) Fernald ssp. baicalensis (Kuznetzow) Koyama & Kuwano Sawyer 326/CS	American sloughgrass

COMMON NAME

ANGIOSPERMS: MONOCOTS (Cont'd.)

Poaceae (Cont'd.) Bouteloua curtipendula (Michaux) Torrey var. curtipendula Johnson 199/CS Bouteloua gracilis (Humboldt, Bonpland & Kunth) Lagasca [Chrondosum] Klein 3171/CS Bouteloua hirsuta Lagasca var. hirsuta [Chondrosum] Hazlett 10295/CS Bouteloua simplex Lagasca [B. prostratum, Chondrosum prostratum] Johnston 1135/UNC *Bromus commutatus Schrader Snyder 129/CS *Bromus inermis Leysser [Bromopsis] Johnson 106/CS *Bromus japonicus Thunberg Hazlett 7740/CS *Bromus tectorum L. [Anisantha] Walter 1764/CS Buchloe dactyloides (Nuttall) Engelmann Hazlett 7623/CS (at CPER) Calamovilfa longifolia (Hooker) Scribner var. longifolia Hazlett 7562/CS (at CPER) *Cenchrus Iongispinus (Hackel) Fernald Hazlett 10082/CU *Dactylis glomerata L. Sawyer 201/CS Distichlis spicata (L.) Greene var. stricta [D. stricta] Hazlett 9314/CU *Echinochloa crusgalli (L.) Beauvois var. crusgalli Klein 3204/CS, Hazlett 10201/CU Elymus canadensis L. var. canadensis Klein 3292/CS Elymus elymoides (Rafinesque) Swezey [Sitanion hystrix] Walter 1720/CS Elvmus lanceolatus (Scribner &Smith) Gould ssp. albicans Barkworth & Dewey [Agropyron albicans, A. griffithsii, E. albicans] Neely 3594/RMH Elymus lanceolatus (Scribner & Smith) Gould ssp. lanceolatus [Agropyron dasystachyum & A. riparium] Hazlett 9295/CU Elymus trachycaulis (Link) Gould ex Shinners ssp. trachycaulus [Agropyron] Costello et al. 4236/CS * Thinopyrum intermedium (Host) Barkworth & Dewey [Elvtrigia intermedia, Agropyron intermedium] (expected) *Thinopyrum ponticum (Podpera) Barkworth & Dewey [Agropyron elongatum, Elymus elongatus var. ponticus] Johnson 269/CS *Elytrigia repens (L.) Nevski var. repens [Agropyron & Elymus] Johnson 101/CS *Eragrostis cilianensis (Allioni) Mosher Hazlett 10039/CU Hordeum jubatum L. [Critesion] Klein 3195/CS Hordeum pusillum Nuttall [Critesion] Hazlett 9288/CU Koeleria macrantha (Ledebour) Schultes [K. cristata] Sawyer 295/CS Leersia orvzoides (L.) Swartz Hazlett 9384/CU *Leptochloa fascicularis (Lam.) A. Grav Wingate 4533/KHD Monroa squarrosa (Nuttall) Torrey [Munroa] Sawyer 446/CS Muhlenbergia asperifolia (Nees & Meyer) Parodi Hazlett 7572/CS (at CPER) Muhlenbergia cuspidata (Torrey) Rydberg Hazlett 10335/CS Muhlenbergia racemosa (Michaux) Britton et al. Johnson125/CS Muhlenbergia torreyi (Kunth.) A.S. Hitchcock ex Bush Lederer 4527/CU Oryzopsis hymenoides (Roemer & Schultes) Ricker ex. Piper [Achnatherum & Stipa hymenoides] Klein 3275/CS & Hazlett 9286/CU *Panicum capillare L. Sawyer 447/CS *Panicum miliaceum L. Wingate 4095/KHD (Weld) Panicum virgatum L. Hazlett 9422/CU

Pascopyron smithii (Rydberg) Löve [Agropyron & Elymus] Walter 1703/CS

COMMON NAME

sideoats grama blue grama hairy grama mat grama, six-weeks gramma cheatgrass, brome grass smooth brome Japanese brome or chess cheatgrass, downy brome or chess buffalo grass prairie sandreed field sandbur orchard grass saltorass barnyard grass, watergrass Canada wildrye squirrreltail thickspike wheatgrass thickspike wheatgrass slender wheatgrass intermediate wheatgrass tall wheatgrass quackgrass stinkarass foxtail barley little barley junegrass rice cutorass bearded sprangletop false buffalo grass scratchorass plains muhly marsh muhly ring muhly, ring grass Indian ricegrass common witchgrass, ticklegrass proso millet, broom corn millet switchgrass western wheatgrass

ANGIOSPERMS: MONOCOTS (Cont'd.)

Poaceae (Cont'd.) *Phalaris arundinacea L. [Phalaroides] Hazlett 9889/RMH (Weld) *Phleum pratense L. Sawyer 348/CS Poa arida Vasey Costello 4235/CS *Poa pratensis L. [P. agassizensis] Moir 692840/CU Poa secunda J. Presl. [P. sandbergii] Sawyer 235/CS *Polypogon monspeliensis (L.) Desfontaines Hazlett 7514/CS (at CPER) *Psathyrostachys juncea (Fischer) Nevski [Elymus junceus] Sawver 95/CS Puccinellia nuttalliana (Schultes) A. S. Hitchcock [P. airoides] Klein 3209/CS Schedonnardus paniculatus (Nuttall) Trelease Lederer 4491/CU Schizachyrium scoparium (Michaux) Nash var. scoparium [Andropogon] Klein 3308/CS Secale cereale L. *Setaria pumila (Poiret) Roemer & Schultes [S. glauca, S. lutescens] Weber 13004/CU (Weld) *Setaria viridis (L.) P. Beauvois Johnson 329/CS Spartina gracilis Trinius Hazlett 10140/CU Spartina pectinata Link Hazlett 9337/CU Sphenopholis obtusata (Michaux) Scribner Hanson 4/CU Sporobolus airoides (Torrey) Torrey Hazlett 7839/CS Sporobolus cryptandrus (Torrey) A. Gray Walter 1761/CS Stipa comata Trinius & Ruprecht [Hesperostipa] Walter 1721/CS Stipa robusta (Vasey) Scribner [Achnantherum] Hazlett 7596/CS (at CPER) Stipa viridula Trinius [Nassella] Costello 4237/CS Vulpia octoflora (Walter) Rydberg [Festuca] Walter 1728/CS

Pontederiaceae

Heteranthera limosa (Swartz) Willdenow Hazlett 9305/CU

Potamogetonaceae

Potamogeton diversifolius Rafinesque Hazlett 9312/CU Potamogeton foliosus Rafinesque ssp. foliosus Hazlett 10127/CU & 10187/CU Potamogeton pectinatus L. [Coleogeton pectinatus] (expected)

Typhaceae

Typha angustifolia L. Brunquist/CS Typha latifolia L. Johnson 229/CS

ANGIOSPERMS: DICOTS

Amaranthaceae

*Amaranthus albus L. Neese & Andrews 16055/CS *Amaranthus blitoides S. Watson [A. graecizans] Klein 3255/CS *Amaranthus retroflexus L. Klein 3245/CS

Anacardiaceae

Rhus aromatica Aiton var. *trilobata* (Nuttall ex Torrey & Gray) A. Gray [*R. trilobata* Nuttall] Hazlett 7827/CS *Toxicodendron rydbergii* (Small ex Rydberg) Greene [*Rhus radicans*] Johnson 207/CS

Apiaceae

Berula erecta (Hudson) Coville Hazlett 10029/CU *Conium maculatum L. Johnson 109/CS

COMMON NAME

reed canary grass timothy plains bluegrass Kentucky bluegrass Sandberg bluegrass rabbitfoot grass

Russian wildrye

American alkali-grass

tumblegrass little bluestem

wild rye, volunteer rye yellow foxtail / bristlegrass

green foxtail / bristlegrass alkali cordgrass prairie cordgrass, cut-throat grass prairie wedge scale alkali sacaton sand dropseed, go-back grass needle-and-thread sleepygrass

green needlegrass sixweeks fescue

mud plantain

waterthread pondweed leafy pondweed

fennel-leaf pondweed

narrow-leaved cattail broad-leaved cattail

tumble pigweed prostrate pigweed redroot pigweed

skunkbush sumac, quailbush sumac poison-ivy

water parsnip poison hemlock

Apiaceae (Cont'd.) Cymopterus acaulis (Pursh) Rafinesque var. acaulis Hazlett 1452/CS Cymopterus montanus Nuttall ex. Torrey & Gray Hazlett 1451/CS Lomatium nuttallii (Grav) J.F. Macbride [Aletes] Hazlett 9082/CS Lomatium orientale Coulter & Rose (expected) Musineon divaricatum (Pursh) Nuttall ex Torrey & Gray var. divaricatum Sawyer 31/CS Musineon tenuifolium (Nuttall ex Torrey & Gray) Coulter & Rose [Aletes] Hazlett 7808/CS Apocvnaceae Apocynum cannabinum L Hazlett 7716/CS Asclepiadaceae Asclepias arenaria Torrey Hazlett 7799/CS Asclepias pumila (Gray) Vail Sawyer 337/CS Asclepias speciosa Torrey Sawyer 267/CS Asclepias stenophylla A. Gray Hazlett 7813/CS Asclepias viridiflora Rafinesque Wilken et al. 12389/CS, Hazlett 9355/CU Asteraceae Achillea millefolium L. ssp. lanulosa (Nuttall) Piper [A. lanulosa] Klein 3223/CS *Acosta diffusa (Lamarck) Sojak [Centaurea] Hazlett 10057/CU *Acroptilon repens (L.) DC. [Centaurea] Costello 4258/CS Ambrosia acanthicarpa Hooker Klein 3249/CS *Ambrosia artemisiifolia L. Hazlett 10133/CU Ambrosia psilostachya DC. var. coronopifolia (Torrey & Gray) Farwell Klein 3206/CS Ambrosia tomentosa Nuttall Klein 3205/CS Ambrosia trifida L. Neese & Andrews 16028/CS Antennaria parvifolia Nuttall Hazlett 9121/CU *Arctium minus (J. Hill) Bernhardi Johnson 316/CS *Artemisia absinthium L. Hazlett 10139/CU *Artemisia biennis Willdenow var. biennis Hazlett 7590/CS, Klein 3297/CS Artemisia campestris L. ssp. caudata (Michaux) Hall & Clements [Oligosporus caudatus] Klein 3287/CS Artemisia dracunculus L. ssp. glauca (Pallas ex. Willdenow) Hall & Clements [Oligosporus] Hazlett 10099/CU Artemisia filifolia Torrey [Oligosporus] Hazlett 7512/CS (at CPER) Artemisia frigida Willdenow Klein 3215/CS Artemisia Iudoviciana Nuttall ssp. Iudoviciana Klein 3299/CS Aster ascendens Lindley [A. chilensis & Virgulaster] Hazlett 7835/CS Aster ericoides L. var. stricticaulis (Torrey & Gray) Gates [Virgulus] Neese & Andrews 16058/CS Aster falcatus Lindlev var. commutatus (Torrev & Grav) A. Jones [Virgulus] (expected) Aster falcatus Lindley var. falcatus [Virgulus] Klein 3300/CS Aster laevis L. var. geyeri A. Gray Hazlett 9380/CU (Weld) Aster lanceolatus Willdenow ssp. hesperius (Gray) Semple & Chmielewski [A. hesperius] Bidens cernua L. Hazlett 7869/CS Bidens comosa (A. Gray) Wiegand Hazlett 10135/CU Bidens frondosa L. Neese & Andrews 16097/CS Brickellia eupatorioides L. var. corymbulosa (Torrey & Gray) Shinners [Kuhnia] Hazlett 7693/CS

Brickellia grandiflora (Hooker) Nuttall Hazlett 7717/CS *Carduus nutans L. Hazlett 7730/CS

COMMON NAME

wild parsley biscuit root Nuttall's biscuitroot, dog parsley northern Idaho biscuitroot leafy wild parsley

slender wild parsley

Indian hemp, dogbane

sand milkweed plains milkweed showy milkweed narrow-leaved milkweed green milkweed

western yarrow

diffuse knapweed Russian knapweed annual bursage short ragweed western ragweed

perennial bursage, poverty weed giant ragweed pussytoes common burdock absinthe wormwood biennial wormwood western sagewort

wild taragon, silky wormwood

sand sagebrush fringed sagewort white sage Chile aster white heath aster

cluster aster

cluster aster blue aster Siskiyou aster

bur-marigold, nodding beggarticks Straw-stem beggarticks Devil's beggarticks false boneset

brickellia nodding thistle, musk thistle

Asteraceae (Cont'd.) Chrvsothamnus nauseosus (Pallas ex Pursh) Britton ssp. graveolens (Nuttall) Piper [Ericameria nauseosa var. glabrata] Klein 3173/CS Chrysothamnus nauseosus (Pallas ex Pursh) Britton ssp. nauseosus [Ericameria nauseosa var. nauseosa] Sawyer 433/CS *Cichorium intybus L. Sawyer 384/CS *Cirsium arvense (L.) Scopoli [Breea] Sawyer 433/CS Cirsium canescens Nuttall Hazlett 9864/CU (Logan) Cirsium flodmanii (Rydberg) Arthur Hazlett 10019/CU Cirsium ochrocentrum A. Gray Wilken & Walter 12366/CS Cirsium undulatum (Nuttall) Sprengel Walter 1709/CS *Conyza canadensis (L.) Cronquist Klein 3194/CS Crepis runcinata (James) Torrey & Gray ssp. runcinata [Psilochenia] Hazlett 9316/CU Dyssodia papposa (Ventenat) A. S. Hitchcock Hazlett 7597/CS, Klein 3246/CS Erigeron bellidiastrum Nuttall var. bellidiastrum Hazlett 9299/CU Erigeron canus A. Gray Hazlett 7744/CS Erigeron Ionchophyllus Hooker Hazlett 9327/CU Erigeron pumilus Nuttall var. pumilis Walter 1748/CS Evax prolifera Nuttall ex DC. Hazlett 9307/CU Gnaphalium palustre Nuttall Hazlett 9326/CU *Gnaphalium uliginosum L. Hazlett 9425/CU Grindelia squarrosa (Pursh) Dunal var. squarrosa [G. serrulata var serrulata] Klein 3196/CS Gutierrezia sarothrae (Pursh) Britton & Rusby Walter 1770/CS Helianthus annuus L. Klein 3285/CS Helianthus petiolaris Nuttall var. petiolaris Klein 3311/CS Helianthus pumilus Nuttall Klein 3269/CS Heterotheca villosa (Pursh) Shinners var. minor Semple [Chrysopsis, H. villosa var. hispida] Klein 3181/CS Heterotheca villosa (Pursh) Shinners var. villosa [Chrysopsis] Klein 3284/CS Hymenopappus filifolius Hooker var. polycephalus (Oesterhout) B. Turner Hazlett 7548/CS, Klein 3190/CS Hymenopappus tenuifolius Pursh Hazlett 7734/CS Iva axillaris Pursh Klein 3175/CS * Iva xanthifolia Nuttall [Cyclanchaena] Klein 3276/CS *Lactuca serriola L. Hazlett 9913/RMH *Lactuca oblongifolia [Lactuca tatarica ssp. pulchella] Hazlett 7841/CS, Klein 3202/CS Liatris punctata Hooker var. punctata Klein 3237/CS Lygodesmia juncea (Pursh) D. Don ex. Hooker Walter 1776/CS Machaeranthera canescens (Pursh) Gray ssp. canescens Wilken 13920/CS Machaeranthera grindelioides (Nuttall) Shinners var. grindelioides [Haplopappus nuttallii] Hazlett 7736/CS Machaeranthera pinnatifida (Hooker) Shinners ssp. pinnatifida var. pinnatifida [Haplopappus spinulosus var. spinulosus] Klein 3268/CS Machaeranthera tanacetifolia (Humboldt, Bonpland & Kunth) Nees Hazlett 10100/CU Nothocalais cuspidata (Pursh) Greene Harrington 92/CS *Onopordum acanthium L. Hazlett 10061/CU Parthenium alpinum (Nuttall) Torrey & Gray [Bolophyta] Harmon 8810/CS Picradeniopsis oppositifolia (Nuttall) Rydberg Klein 3261/CS Pseudognaphalium stramineum (Humboldt, Bonpland & Kunth) W.A. Weber [Gnaphalium stramineum & Gnaphalium chilense] Hazlett 10112/CU

COMMON NAME

rabbitbrush, rubber rabbitbrush

rabbitbrush

chichory Canadian thistle Platte thistle Flodman's thistle yellowspine thistle wavy-leaf thistle horseweed hawk's-beard

fetid marigold, prairiedog weed sand fleabane daisy fleabane daisy fleabane daisy fleabane daisy rabbit-tobacco diffuse cudweed low cudweed rosinweed, gumweed

snakeweed common sunflower plains sunflower foothill's sunflower bristly hairy goldenaster

hairy goldenaster

hymenopappus

hymenopappus poverty weed marsh elder prickly lettuce blue lettuce

gay-feather, blazing star skeletonweed hoary aster

rayless goldenweed

goldenweed

Tahoka daisy, tansy aster

nothocaulis scotch thistle alpine feverfew bahia cudweed

COMMON NAME

Astarageon (Contid.)
Asteraceae (Cont'd.) Ratibida columnifera (Nuttall) Wooton & Standley Klein 3182/CS Rayjacksonia annua (Rydberg) Hartman & Lane [Machaeranthera annua, <i>M. phyllocephala & Haplopappus annuus</i>] Hazlett 10022/CU *Scorzonera laciniata L. Hazlett 9709/RMH Senecio canus Hooker [Packera] Hazlett 7723/CS Senecio spartioides Torrey & Gray Hazlett 7849/CS, Klein 3242/CS Senecio tridenticulatus Rydberg [Packera] Sawyer 36/CS Shinnersoseris rostrata (A. Gray) Tomb Hazlett 7844/CS
Solidago canadensis L. var. gilvocanescens Rydberg Klein 3298/CS Solidago missouriensis Nuttall var. missouriensis Hazlett 10331/CS Solidago mollis Bartling Neese 16121/CS Solidago rigida L. var. humilis Porter [Oligoneuron] Hazlett 9356/CU
*Sonchus asper (L.) J. Hill Hazlett 10110/CU *Sonchus oleraceus L. Sawyer 411/CS Stenotus armerioides Nuttall var. armerioides [Haplopappus] Hazlett 9126/CU
Stephanomeria pauciflora (Torrey) A. Nelson Klein 3178/CS *Taraxacum officinale G. H. Weber Sawyer 7/CS Tetraneuris acaulis (Pursh) Greene [Hymenoxys acaulis var. acaulis] Sawyer 37/CS
Thelesperma filifolium (Hooker) A. Gray var. intermedium (Rydberg) Shinners Hazlett 7532/CS, 9846/RMH Thelesperma megapotamicum (Sprengel) Kuntze var. megapotamicum
Hazlett 7795/CS, Klein 3301/CS Townsendia exscapa (Richardson) Porter Hazlett 9123/CU Townsendia grandiflora Nuttall Sawyer 493/CS
<i>Townsendia hookeri</i> Beaman Wilken & Donahue 12514/CS <i>*Tragopogon dubius</i> Scopuli Sawyer 82/CS <i>*Tragopogon porrifolius</i> L. (reported)
 * Verbesina encelioides (Cavanilles) Bentham & Hooker ex Gray ssp. exauriculata Robinson & Greenman [Ximenesia] Hazlett 7513/CS * Xanthium strumarium L. var. canadense (Miller) Torrey & Gray Klein 3293/CS
Boraginaceae
Cryptantha cana (A. Nelson) Payson [Oreocarya] Hazlett 7750/CS Cryptantha celosioides (Eastwood) Payson [Oreocarya] Hazlett 7781/CS & 9156/CS
<i>Cryptantha cinerea</i> (Greene) Cronquist var. <i>jamesii</i> Cronquist [<i>Cryptantha jamesii, Oreocarya suffruticosa</i>] Hazlett 7765/CS, Sawyer 73/CS
Cryptantha crassisepala (Torrey & Gray) Greene var. crassisepala Johnston 32/UNC (Weld) Cryptantha fendleri (Gray) Greene Hazlett 9035/CU
Cryptantha minima Rydberg Klein 3247/CS Cryptantha thyrsiflora (Greene) Payson [Oreocarya] Hazlett 7595/CS & 9848/CU
 *Cynoglossum officinale L. Hazlett 7559/CS, Sawyer 137/CS Lappula occidentalis (S. Watson) Greene var. cupulata (Gray) Higgins [L. texana, L. redowskii var. cupulata & L. marginata] Hazlett 9296/CU Lappula occidentalis (S. Watson) Greene var. occidentalis [L. redowskii] Walter 1745/CS
Lithospermum incisum Lehmann Walter 1766/CS Mertensia lanceolata (Pursh) A. DC. var. lanceolata Hazlett 7802/CS, Sawyer 61/CS
Plagiobothrys scouleri (Hooker & Arnott) Johnston ssp. penicillatus Greene Löve [P. scouleri var. hispidulus] Hazlett 9324/CU

prairie coneflower annual goldenweed

false salsify, cut-leaf salsify gray ragwort groundsel groundsel shinnersoseris Canada goldenrod prairie goldenrod soft goldenrod rigid goldenrod prickly sow thistle common sow thistle goldenweed

wire lettuce common dandelion stemless bitterweed

annual greenthread

greenthread

Easter daisy Easter daisy goat's beard, western salsify goatsbeard cowpen daisy

cocklebur

cryptantha, mountain cat's-eye cryptantha, buttecandle

James' cryptantha

annual cryptantha

Fendler's cryptantha annual cryptantha cryptantha, calcareous cat's-eye hound's tongue stickseed

stickseed

puccoon bluebells

popcorn flower

Brassicaceae

*Alvssum desertorum Stapf Hazlett 7611/CS (at CPER) *Alyssum parviflorum Bieberstein [A. minus] Hazlett 9094/CS *Camelina microcarpa Andrzejowski ex DC. Hazlett 7806/CS *Capsella bursa-pastoris (L.) Medicus Johnson 9/CS *Cardaria chalepensis (L.) Handel-Mazetti (expected) *Chorispora tenella (Pallas) DC. Hazlett 7610/CS (Weld) *Conringia orientalis (L.) Dumont de Cours Hazlett 9885/CU Descurainia incana (Bernhardi ex Fischer & Meyer) Dorn ssp. incana [D. richardsonii] Hazlett 7754/CS Descurainia pinnata (Walter) Britton ssp. filipes (Gray) Peck Hazlett 10058/CS Descurainia pinnata (Walter) Britton ssp. nelsonii (Rydberg) Peck Osterhout 5495/RM *Descurainia sophia (L.) Webb Hazlett 7755/CS, Sawyer 134/CS Draba reptans (Lamarck) Fernald Hazlett 9125/CU Erysimum asperum (Nuttall) DC. Sawyer 307/CS *Lepidium campestre (L.) R. Brown [Neolepia] Hazlett 9113/CS Lepidium densiflorum Schrader var. densiflorum Klein 3248/CS Lesquerella alpina (Nuttall ex. Torrey & Gray) S. Watson var. alpina Hazlett 10296/CS Lesquerella arenosa (Richardson) Rydberg var. arenosa Hazlett 7712/CU Lesquerella ludoviciana (Nuttall) S. Watson Hazlett 7761/CS, Sawyer 69/CS Rorippa curvipes Greene var. curvipes Hazlett 9892/RM (Weld) Rorippa palustris (L.) Besser (expected) Rorippa sinuata (Nuttall in Torrey & Gray) A. S. Hitchcock Sawyer 76/CS *Sisymbrium altissimum L. Walter 1706/CS Thelypodium integrifolium (Nuttall) Endlicher ssp. integrifolium Hazlett 9518/CU *Thlaspi arvense L. Hazlett 7767/CS, Sawyer 181/CS Thlaspi montanum L. var. montanum [Noccaea] Sawyer 240/CS

Cactaceae

Coryphantha vivipara (Nuttall) Britton & Rose var. vivipara Sawyer 190/CS Echinocereus viridiflorus Engelmann var. viridiflorus Sawyer 152/CS Opuntia fragilis (Nuttall) Haworth var. fragilis (expected) Opuntia macrorhiza Engelmann var. macrorhiza Hazlett 10297/CS Opuntia polyacantha Haworth var. polyacantha Sawyer 114/CS Pediocactus simpsonii (Engelmann) Britton & Rose var. minor Sawyer 191/CS

Capparaceae

Cleome serrulata Pursh Walter 1713/CS Polanisia dodecandra (L.) DC. ssp. trachysperma (Torrey & Gray) Iltis [P. trachysperma] Klein 3291/CS

Caprifoliaceae

Symphoricarpos occidentalis Hooker Sawyer 404/CS

Caryophyllaceae

- Arenaria hookeri Nuttall ssp. hookeri [Alsinaceae: Eremogone] Sawyer 402/CS
- Paronychia depressa Nuttall (Torrey & Gray) Nuttall ex A. Nelson [Alsinaceae] Hazlett 7725/CS, Sawyer 404/CS
- Paronychia sessiliflora Nuttall [Alsinaceae] Wilken & Lowery 12394/CS *Saponaria officinalis L. Sawyer 392/CS
- *Spergularia marina (L.) Grisebach [Alsiniaceae: S salina] Hazlett 9089/CS

COMMON NAME

desert alyssum small alyssum smallseed falseflax shepherd's purse whitetop, hoary cress blue mustard hare's ear mustard tansy mustard

tansy mustard

tansy mustard

flixweed whitlow grass western wallflower field peppergrass peppergrass bladderpod

bladderpod

bladderpod

common yellowcress bog yellowcress spreading yellowcress tumble mustard thelypodium

field pennycress mountain pennycress

pincushion cactus hedgehog cactus little prickly pear plains prickly pear plains prickly pear nipple cactus

Rocky Mountain beeplant clammyweed

western snowberry, wolfberry

tufted sandwort

nailwort

nailwort bouncing bet, soapwort sand spurry

Chenopodiaceae

Atriplex canescens (Pursh) Nuttall var. canescens Sawyer 277/CS Atriplex gardneri (Moguin) D. Dietr. var. utahensis (Jones) Dorn [A. nuttallii] Hazlett 7867/CS *Atriplex heterosperma Bunge Hazlett 10298/CS *Atriplex rosea L. Hazlett 9649/CS (Weld) Atriplex subspicata (Nuttall) Rydberg Hazlett 10030/CU *Chenopodium album L. Walter 1781/CS Chenopodium atrovirens Rydberg Hazlett 9440/CS Chenopodium berlandieri Moguin var. zschackei (Murr.) Murr. ex Aschers Hazlett 10143/CS Chenopodium cycloides A. Nelson Clark 634/CU (Weld) Chenopodium desiccatum A. Nelson Klein 3251/CS & Hazlett 10182/CU Chenopodium fremontii S. Watson var. fremontii Hazlett 7757/CS *Chenopodium glaucum L. Hazlett 10119/CU Chenopodium hians Standley Wahl. 6487/RM (Larimer) Chenopodium incanum (S. Watson) Heller Wilken & Painter 13364/CS Chenopodium leptophyllum (Moquim) Nuttall ex Watson Hazlett 7791/C Chenopodium pratericola Rydberg Hazlett 10020/CU Chenopodium rubrum L. Hazlett 9428/CU Chenopodium subalabrum (S. Watson) A. Nelson (expected) Chenopodium watsonii A. Nelson Crawford 421/RM Corispermum hyssopifolium L. [C. americanum] Hazlett 10183/CU Cvcloloma atriplicifolium (Sprengel) Coulter Klein 3296/CS *Kochia scoparia (L.) Schrader [Bassia] Walter 1785/CS Krascheninnikovia lanata (Pursh) Meeuse & Smit [Ceratoides & Eurotia] Harrington 2239/CS Monolepis nuttalliana (Schultes) Greene Hazlett 9304/CU & 9882/RM *Salsola collina Pallas Hazlett 10132/CU *Salsola tragus (L.) Celak. [S. australis, S. iberica, S. kali ssp. tragus, S. pestifer] Klein 3258/CS Suaeda calceoliformis (Hooker) Moguin Hazlett 9322/CU Suckleva sucklevana (Torrey) Rydberg Hazlett 10181/CU

Convolvulaceae

Calystegia sepium (L.) R. Brown ssp. angulata (Brummitt) N. Holmgren Hazlett 9309/CU *Convolvulus arvensis L. Sawyer 446/CS *Evolvulus nuttallianus Schultes Sawyer 214/CS

Ipomoea leptophylla Torrey Wilken & Lowery 12375/CS

Cuscutaceae

Cuscuta indecora Choisy var. neuropetala (Engelmann) A. S. Hitchcock [Grammica] Christ 1252/CS (Weld)

Elaeagnaceae *Elaeagnus angustifolia L. Sawyer 122/CS

Elatinaceae Elatine triandra Schkuhr Hazlett 9311/CU

Euphorbiaceae

Croton texensis (Klotsch) Muller-Argoviensis in DC. Wilken 12270/CS Chamaesyce fendleri (Torrey & Gray) Small [Euphorbia] Hazlett 7574/CU Chamaesyce geyeri (Engelmann) Small [Euphorbia] Hazlett 7573/CS (at CPER)

Chamaesyce glyptosperma (Engelmann) Small [Euphorbia] Klein 3176/CS, Hazlett 10091/CU

Chamaesyce missurica (Rafinesque) Shinners [Euphorbia] Klein 3240/CS Chamaesyce serpyllifolia (Persoon) Small ssp. serpyllifolia [Euphorbia]

Neese & Andrews 16025/CS

COMMON NAME

four-wing saltbush moundscale two-seed orach red orache, red scale spearscale lambsquarter mountain goosefoot lambsquarter sandhill goosefoot desert goosefoot Fremont's goosefoot oakleaf goosefoot aoosefoot goosefoot goosefoot goosefoot alkali blite

Watson's goosefoot hopleaf tickseed tumble ringweed kochia, alkaliweed winterfat

smooth goosefoot

poverty weed Russian thistle, tumbleweed Russian thistle, tumbleweed

broom seepweed poison suckleya

hedge bindweed

field bindweed Nuttall's evolvulus bush morning-glory

dodder, large alfalfa dodder

Russian olive

waterwort

doveweed, Texas croton Fendler's spurge Geyer's spurge

ridge-seeded spurge

Missouri spurge thyme-leaved spurge

Euphorbiaceae (Cont'd.)

Chamaesyce stictospora (Engelmann) Small [Euphorbia] Neese & Andrews 16045/CS Euphorbia dentata (Michaux) Klotsch & Garcke [Poinsettia] Hazlett 7589/CS (at CPER) Euphorbia marginata Pursh [Agaloma] Euphorbia robusta (Engelmann) Small [E. brachyceras & Tithymalus brachyceras] Hazlett 7520/CS (at CPER) Fabaceae Amorpha fruticosa L. Hazlett 10131/CU Astragalus adsurgens Pallas var. robustior Hooker [A. laxmanii var. robustior] Hazlett 7520/CS Astragalus agrestis Douglas ex G. Don. Hazlett 7829/CS Astragalus bisulcatus (Hooker) A. Gray var. bisulcatus Walter 1749/CS Astragalus ceramicus Sheldon var. filifolius (A. Gray) F. J. Hermann Costello 4263/CS Astragalus crassicarpus Nuttall var. crassicarpus Sawyer 422/CS Astragalus drummondii Douglas ex Hooker Hazlett 7515/CS Astragalus gilviflorus Sheldon var. gilviflorus [Orophaca triphylla] Harmon 8812/CS Astragalus gracilis Nuttall Hazlett 7733/CS, Walter 1787/CS Astragalus kentrophyta A. Gray var. kentrophyta Hazlett 7601/CS (at CPER) Astragalus lotiflorus Hooker Hazlett 7731/CS & 9310/CU Astragalus missouriensis Nuttall var. missouriensis Hazlett 7518/CS (at CPER) Astragalus mollissimus Torrey var. mollissimus Klein 3177/CS Astragalus pectinatus (Hooker) Douglas in Hooker Costello 4262/CS Astragalus plattensis Nuttall (reported) Astragalus sericoleucus A. Gray [Orophaca sericea] Hazlett 7522/CS (at CPER) Astragalus spatulatus Sheldon Hazlett 9131/CU Astragalus tenellus Pursh Hazlett 7847/CS & 9856/CU Astragalus tridactylicus A. Gray [Orophaca] Neely 2806/CS Dalea candida Willdenow var. oligophylla (Torrey) Shinners Klein 3294/CS Dalea cylindriceps Barneby Lederer 4517/CU Dalea purpurea Ventenat var. purpurea Hazlett 7742/CS Glycvrrhiza lepidota Pursh Hazlett 7608/CS, Klein 3214/CS Hedvsarum boreale Nuttall ssp. boreale Hazlett 9157/CS Lathyrus polymorphus Nuttall ssp. incanus (Smith & Rydberg) C. L. Hitchcock Hazlett 7625/CS (at CPER) Lathyrus polymorphus Nuttall ssp. polymorphus (expected) Lupinus argenteus Pursh ssp. argenteus Sawyer 100/CS & Hazlett 10052/CU Lupinus plattensis Watson (expected) Lupinus pusillus Pursh ssp. pusillus Walter 1731/CS *Medicago lupulina L. Hazlett 7798/CS *Medicago sativa L. Sawyer 317/CS

*Melilotus albus Medicus Hazlett 10053/CU *Melilotus officinalis (L.) Lam. Sawyer 21/CS Oxytropis lambertii Pursh Wilken 12300a/CS Oxytropis multiceps Nuttall Hazlett 9127/CU

Oxytropis sericea Nuttall var. sericea Hazlett 7737/CS Pediomelum esculentum (Pursh) Rydberg [Psoralea] Harrington 4056/CS Pediomelum hypogaeum (Nutt. ex Torrey & Gray) Rydberg var. hypogaeum [Psoralea] Hazlett 9308/CU

Psoralidium lanceolatum (Pursh) Rydberg [Psoralea] Hazlett 7748/CS Psoralidum tenuiflorum (Pursh) Rydberg [Psoralea] Walter 1707/CS

COMMON NAME

mat spurge

toothed spurge

snow-on-the-mountain perennial spurge

false indigo standing milk-vetch

field milk-vetch two-grooved milk-vetch painted milk-vetch

ground-plum Drummond milk-vetch plains orophaca, plains milkvetch slender milk-vetch Nuttall's kentrophyta

lotus milk-vetch Missouri milk-vetch

woolly milk-vetch tine-leaved milk-vetch Platte milk-vetch silky orophaca

draba milk-vetch pulse milk-vetch three-leaved milk-vetch white prairie clover massive spike prairie clover purple prairie clover wild licorice sweet broom hoary vetchling

hoary vetchling silvery lupine

Platte lupine small lupine black medick alfalfa white sweet clover yellow sweet clover purple locoweed dwarf locoweed white locoweed breadroot, prairie turnip, tipsin little breadroot

lemon scurf-pea scurfy-pea

Fabaceae (Cont'd.) Sophora nuttalliana B. Turner [Vexibia] Sawyer 8/CS Thermopsis rhombifolia (Nuttall ex Pursh) Richardson var. rhombifolia Hazlett 7616/CS (at CPER) * Trifolium fragiferum L. Hazlett 9084/CS *Trifolium repens L. Johnston 195/UNC Vicia americana Muhlenberg var. minor Hooker Hazlett 7524/CS (at CPER) Gentianaceae *Centaurium pulchellum (Swartz) Druce Hazlett 9347/CU Geranianceae * Erodium cicutarium (L.) L'Heritier ex Ait. Johnson 37/CS Grossulariaceae Ribes aureum Pursh var. villosum [R. odoratum] Sawyer 3/CS Ribes cereum Douglas Hazlett 7790/CS Haloragaceae Myriophyllum sibiricum Komarov [M. exalbescens] Hazlett 7850/CS, Osterhout 1041/RM Hvdrophvllaceae *Ellisia nvctelea (L.) L. Hazlett 7528/CS (at CPER) Phacelia hastata Douglas ex Lehmann var. hastata Hazlett 7585/CS (at CPER) Lamiaceae Hedeoma drummondii Bentham Wilken & Lowery 12379/CS Hedeoma hispidum Pursh Hazlett 10096/CU Lycopus americanus Muhlenberg ex W. Barton Hazlett 7836/CS & 10136/CU Lycopus asper Greene Ramaley 15195/CU (Weld) *Marrubium vulgare L. Klein 3271/CS Mentha arvensis L. Hazlett 7788/CS *Salvia reflexa Hornemann Hazlett 7842/CS, Klein 3231/CS Scutellaria brittonii T. C. Porter Sawver 45/CS Stachys palustris L. ssp. pilosa (Nuttall) Epling [S. pilosa] Hazlett 9379/CU (Weld) Lemnaceae Lemna minor L. [Lemna turionifera] Harrington 5046/CS, Hazlett 9389/CU Lemna valdiviana Philippi Harrington 3509/CS (Weld) Linaceae Linum Iewisii Pursh var. Iewisii [Adenolinum & L. perenne var. Iewisii] Johnston 436/UNC Linum puberulum (Engelmann) Heller [Mesynium] Hazlett 7762/CS Linum rigidum Pursh var. rigidum [Mesynium] Hazlett 7745/CS Loasaceae

Mentzelia albicaulis (Douglas ex Hooker) Douglas ex Torrey & Gray
[Acrolasia] Hazlett 7701/CU
Mentzelia decapetala (Pursh) Urban & Gilg [Nuttallia] Klein 3286/CS
Mentzelia nuda (Pursh.) Torrey & Gray var. stricta (Osterhout)
Harrington [Nuttallia nuda] Klein 3278/CS

Lythraceae

*Ammannia robusta Heer & Regel Hazlett 9343/CU

COMMON NAME

white loco

prairie buck bean, yellow pea strawberry clover white clover American vetch

centaury

crane's bill

golden currant, anise bush western red currant

water milfoil

waterpod lanceleaf phacelia

Drummond's false pennyroyal rough false pennyroyal American bugleweed

rough bugleweed horehound field mint lanceleaf sage, chia Britton's skullcap hedge nettle, marsh betony

duckweed duckweed

blue flax

plains flax yellow flax

whitestem blazing star

ten-petal mentzelia, blazing star mentzelia, blazing star

toothcup

Malvaceae

*Abutilon theophrasti Medicus Hazlett 9980/RM *Hibiscus trionum L. Hazlett 9015/CS (Weld) *Malva neglecta Wallroth Johnson 315/CS *Malva parviflora L. Klinger/CS Sphaeralcea coccinea (Pursh) Rydberg var. coccinea Walter 1710/CS

Nyctaginaceae

Abronia fragrans Nuttall ex. Hooker var. fragrans Klein 3289/CS Mirabilis hirsuta (Pursh) MacMillan [Oxybaphus] Hazlett 7739/CS & 10036/CU Mirabilis linearis (Pursh) Heimerl [Oxybaphus] Klein 3245/CS Mirabilis nyctaginea (Michaux) MacMillan [Oxybaphus] Hazlett 7814/CS Tripterocalyx micranthus (Torrey) Hooker [Abronia] Hazlett 9383/CU

Onagraceae

Calylophus lavandulifolius (Torrey & Gray) Raven Hazlett 7804/CS & 9854/CU Calylophus serrulatus (Nuttall) Raven Hazlett 7555/CS (at CPER) Epilobium ciliatum Rafinesque var. ciliatum Hazlett 10021/CS Epilobium ciliatum Rafinesque var. glandulosum (Lehm.) Dorn Hazlett 9380/CS Gaura coccinea Nuttall ex Pursh Walter 1711/CS

Gaura parviflora Douglas Hazlett 7579/CS(at CPER) Oenothera albicaulis Pursh Klein 3244/CS

Oenothera caespitosa Nuttall ssp. caespitosa Hazlett 7753/CS
Oenothera canescens Torrey & Fremont Hazlett 7812/CS & 10088/CU
Oenothera coronopifolia Torrey & Gray Walter 1718/CS
Oenothera flava (A. Nelson) Garrett Klein 3233/CS
Oenothera latifolia (Rydberg) Munz [O. pallida] Hazlett 7720/CS
Oenothera villosa Thunberg ssp. strigosa (Rydberg) Dietrich & Raven Klein 3295/CS, Hazlett 7854/CS

Orobanchaceae

Orobanche fasciculata Nuttall [Aphyllon] Hazlett 7807/CS Orobanche ludoviciana Nuttall ssp. ludoviciana Costello 4256/CS Orobanche multiflora Nuttall Hazlett 10134/CU, Osterhout 985/RM (Logan)

Papaveraceae

Argemone polyanthemos (Fedde) G. B. Ownbey Walter 1712/CS

Plantaginaceae

Plantago eriopoda Torrey Hazlett 9104/CS & 9427/CS *Plantago major L. Sawyer 248/CS Plantago patagonica Jacquin var. patagonica [P. purshii] Walter 1739/CS

Polemoniaceae

Ipomopsis congesta (Hooker) V. Grant ssp. congesta Dodds 2116/CU Ipomopsis laxiflora (Coulter) V. Grant Klein 3243/CS Ipomopsis spicata (Nuttall) V. Grant var. spicata Hazlett 7732/CS Leptodactylon caespitosum Nuttall Wilken & Painter 13785/CS Microsteris gracilis (Douglas ex Hooker) Greene var. humilor (Hooker) Cronquist [Phlox gracilis] Hazlett 9116/CU Phlox andicola Nuttall ex A. Gray Hazlett 7770/CS & 9852/CU Phlox hoodii Richardson ssp. hoodii Hazlett 9110/CU Phlox hoodii Richardson ssp. muscoides (Nuttall) Wherry [P. muscoides, P. bryoides] Hazlett 7726/CS

COMMON NAME

velvet leaf flower-of-an-hour common mallow small-fruited mallow scarlet globemallow

sand verbena hairy four-o'clock

narrowleaf four-o'clock wild four o'clock sand puffs

lavender-leaf primrose

plains yellow primrose willow-herb willow-herb

scarlet gaura velvetly gaura prairie evening primrose, gumbo lily gumbo evening primrose spotted evening primrose combleaf evening primrose yellow evening primrose pale evening primrose common evening primrose

broomrape, cluster cancerroot broomrape, Louisiana cancerroot broomrape

prickly poppy

alkali plantain common plantain Indian woolly wheat, Pursh's plantain

gilia gilia spike gilia clump slenderlobe microsteris

plains phlox Hood's phlox moss phlox

Polygonaceae

Eriogonum alatum Torrev var. alatum [Pterogonum] Hazlett 9203/CS Eriogonum brevicaule Nuttall ssp. brevicaule Hazlett 7843/CS Eriogonum flavum Nuttall var. flavum Hazlett 9863/CU Eriogonum microthecum Nuttall var. effusum (Nuttall) Torrey & Grav [E. effusum] Klein 3171/CS Eriogonum pauciflorum Pursh var. gnaphalodes (Bentham in Hooker) Reveal Hazlett 7811/CS Eriogonum umbellatum Torrey var. umbellatum Sawyer 197/CS Polygonum amphibium L. var. emersum Michaux [Persicaria] Sawyer 309/CS *Polygonum aviculare L [P. arenastrum] Walter 1758/CS Polygonum bicorne Rafinesque [Persicaria] Hazlett 10200/CU •Polygonum convolvulus L. [Fallopia] Hazlett 7852/CS *Polygonum lapathifolium L. [Persicaria] Hazlett 10120/CU *Polygonum pensylvanicum L. [Persicaria] Hazlett 7592/CS (at CPER) *Polygonum persicaria L. [Persicaria maculata] (reported) Polygonum ramosissimum Michaux Hazlett 10196/CU (expected) Rumex altissimus Wood Sawyer 155/CS Rumex aquaticus L. var. fenestratus (Greene) Dorn [R. aquaticus ssp. occidentalis & R. occidentalis] Hazlett 7853/CS *Rumex crispus L. Sawyer 388/CS Rumex maritimus L. [R. maritimus var. fueginus] Hazlett 10193/CU Rumex salicifolius Weinmann var. mexicanus (Meissner) C. L. Hitchcock [R. salicifolius var. triangulivalvis, R. triangulivalvis] Hazlett 10122/CU *Rumex stenophyllus Ledebour Hazlett 10194/CU Rumex venosus Pursh Sawyer 35/CS

Portulaccaceae

*Portulaca oleracea L. Hazlett 10185/CU Talinum parviflorum Nuttall Sawyer 313/CS

Ranunculaceae

Clematis ligusticifolia Nuttall in J. Torrey & A. Gray Johnson 165/CS
Delphinium carolinianum Walter ssp. virescens (Nuttall) R. E. Brooks [Helleboraceae: D. virescens var. penardii] Hazlett 9294/CU
Delphinium geyeri Greene [Helleboraceae] Hazlett 7792/CS
Myosurus minimus L. Yeatts 3261/KHD
Ranunculus aquatilis L. var. diffusus Withering
[R. longirostris & R. subrigidus] Hazlett 10144/CU
Ranunculus cymbalaria Pursh [Halerpestes] Hazlett 9315/CU

Ranunculus gmelinii DC. Sawyer 157/CS Ranunculus macounii Britton Neese & Andrews 15994/CS Ranunculus sceleratus L. var. multifidus Nuttall [Hecatonia] Hazlett 7591/CS (at CPER) Thalictrum dasycarpum Fischer & Avé-Lallemant [Thalictraceae]

Rosaceae

Cercocarpus montanus Rafinesque var. montanus Hazlett 7766/CS Physocarpus monogynus (Torrey) Coulter Lederer 4509/CU Potentilla hippiana Lehm. ssp. effusa (Douglas ex Lehm.) Dorn [P. effusa] Hazlett 10040/CU *Potentilla norvegica L. Klein 3227/CS Potentilla paradoxa Nuttall [P. supina ssp. paradoxa] Hazlett 9332/CU Potentilla pensylvanica L. Hazlett 7619/CS & 9331/CU Potentilla rivalis Nuttall Hazlett 9302/CU Prunus pumila L. var. besseyi (Bailey) Gleason [Cerasus, P. besseyi] Hazlett 7800/CS

COMMON NAME

winged eriogonum shortstem eriogonum yellow buckwheat spreading buckwheat

fewflower buckwheat

sulfer buckwheat water smartweed

prostrate knotweed pink smartweed climbing wild buckwheat pale smartweed Pennsylvania smartweed lady's thumb erect knotweed pale dock western dock

curly dock golden dock beach dock

narrowleaf dock wild begonia

common purslane fameflower

virgin's bower, western clematis plains larkspur, white larkspur

Geyer's larkspur mouse-tail white water crowfoot

shore buttercup / renocule cymbalaire small yellow buttercup Macoun's buttercup cursed crowsfoot

purple meadow rue

mountain mahogany ninebark cinquefoil

Norwegian cinquefoil bushy cinquefoil cinquefoil brook cinquefoil sand cherry, dwarf cherry

Rosaceae (Cont'd.)

Prunus virginiana L. var. melanocarpa (A. Nelson) Sargent [Padus] Hazlett 7544/CS (at CPER) Rosa woodsii Lindley Hazlett 7866/CS

Rubiaceae

Galium aparine L. Hazlett 7793/CS

Salicaceae

Populus deltoides Bartram ex Marshall var. occidentalis Rydberg [P. deltoides ssp. monilifera, P. sargentii] Sawyer 119/CS Salix amygdaloides Andersson Hazlett 7863/CS Salix exigua Nuttall var. exigua Hazlett 10033/CU Salix exigua Nuttall var. pedicellata (Andersson) Cronquist [S. exigua var. interior] Hazlett 9285/CU

Santalaceae

Comandra umbellata (L.) Nuttall var. pallida (A. DC.) Jones Sawyer 11/CS

Scrophulariaceae

Agalinis tenuifolia (Vahl) Rafinesque var. parviflora (Nuttall) Pennell Neese & Andrews 16032/CS Bacopa rotundifolia (Michaux) Wettstein Hazlett 7578/CS (at CPER) Castilleja sessiliflora Pursh Hazlett 7531/CS (at CPER) Limosella aquatica L Hazlett 10098/CU, Klein 3235/CS *Linaria dalmatica (L.) P. Miller ssp. dalmatica [L. dalmatica var. macedonica & L. genistifolia] Hazlett 7529/CS (at CPER) Orthocarpus luteus Nuttall Neese 15971/CS Penstemon albidus Nuttall Klein 3270/CS Penstemon angustifolius Nuttall ex Pursh var. angustifolius Sawyer 44/CS Veronica americana Schweinitz ex Bentham Hazlett 7705/CS *Veronica anagallis-aquatica L. Neese & Andrews 16065/CS *Veronica catenata Pennell [L. salina] Harrington & E. C. Smith 578/CS *Veronica peregrina L. ssp. xalapensis (Humboldt, Bonpland & Kunth) Pennell Hazlett 9119/CU *Veronica persica Poiret [Pocilla biloba] (expected) Solanaceae *Datura stramonium L. *Lycium barbarum L. [L. halimifolium] Hazlett 7692/CS (at CPER) Physalis hederifolia Gray var. comata (Rydberg) Waterfall Johnson 200/CS Physalis pumila Nuttall ssp. hispida (Waterfall) Hinton [P. hispida] Hazlett 7622/CS Physalis virginiana Miller Hazlett 7865/CS Quincula lobata (Torrey) Rafinesque [Physalis lobata] Hazlett 7832/CS, 9853/CU Solanum interius Rydberg [S. americanum, S. nigrum var. virginianum] Hazlett 7784/CS Solanum heterodoxum Dunal Sawver 23/CS *Solanum physalifolium Rusby [S. physalifolium var. nitidibaccatum & S. sarrachoides] Hazlett 10060/CU Solanum rostratum Dunal Sawyer 311/CS *Solanum triflorum Nuttall Hazlett 7523/CS, Klein 3257/CS Tamaricaceae

*Tamarix ramosissima Ledebour [T. chinensis] Hazlett 9090/CS

Ulmaceae

Celtis reticulata Torrey [*C. laevigata* var. *reticulata*] Hazlett 7803/CS **Ulmus pumila* L. Hazlett 10299/CS

COMMON NAME

choke cherry

western wild rose

catchweed bedstraw

plains cottonwood

peachleaf willow foothills sandbar willow plains sandbar willow

bastard toadflax

gerardia

water hyssop downy paintbrush mudwort dalmatian toadflax

owl clover white beardtongue narrow beardtongue American brooklime, speed well speedwell purslane speedwell

bird's eye speedwell

jimson weed matrimony vine, teavine prairie or ivy-leaved ground cherry prairie ground cherry

Virginia ground cherry purple ground cherry

plains black nightshade

nightshade viscid nightshade

buffalo bur, stickerweed cut-leaved nightshade

salt cedar

netleaf hackberry Siberian elm

COMMON NAME

Urticaceae Parietaria pensylvanica Muhlenberg ex Willdenow Hazlett 7709/CS <i>Urtica dioica</i> L. ssp. <i>gracilis</i> (Aiton) Selander	pellitory stinging nett
[U. gracilis ssp. gracilis, U. dioica var. procera] Hazlett 7787/CS	sanging near
Verbenaceae	
Phyla cuneifolia (Torrey) Greene [Lippia] Hazlett 7819/CS	wedgeleaf fo
*Verbena bracteata Lagasca & Rodriguez Walter 1753/CS	prostrate ver
Verbena stricta Ventenat Lederer 4512/CU	hoary vervai
Violaceae	

Viola nuttallii Pursh Sawyer 19/CS

Vitaceae

Vitis riparia Michaux (reported)

Zygophyllaceae

*Tribulus terrestris L. Hazlett 7577/CS (at CPER)

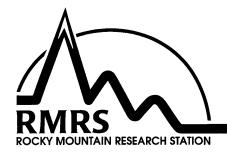
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fog-fruit ərvain ain

yellow prairie violet

wild grape, riverbank grape

puncture vine, tackbur, caltrop



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