



Plant Enhancement Activity – PLT01 – Establish pollinator habitat

State Criteria

NOTE: Distribution of pollinator habitat areas is an important requirement of this enhancement. There must be a minimum of 1/2 acre of habitat in or adjacent to each 40 acres of enrolled land where this enhancement is applied. Where possible, multiple habitats can adjoin where 40 acre blocks meet to create a larger unit.

This enhancement requires the use of the flowering plant species noted below. Substitute species may be approved by NRCS provided they are native and adapted to site conditions. New seedings must incorporate the required nine or more flowering species at 50% of the seeding rate or more (based on seeds per square foot). Total seeding rates (native grasses plus forbs) should be a minimum of 10 PLS/ft² and should not exceed 30 PLS/ft² unless required on small areas to control soil erosion resulting from concentrated flow.

Existing habitat areas must contain the required nine or more flowering species at 50% or more by canopy cover. It may be necessary to upgrade or enhance existing habitat areas by suppression of established plants using prescribed burning, tillage, or herbicide application followed by interseeding of the necessary flowering plant species. The minimum seeding rate of 10 PLS/ft² should be used for interseeded forbs.

Vegetation will not be disturbed between April 15 and October 15 unless approved by NRCS as part of a management plan intended to maintain and enhance plant diversity and vigor.

Early

- Blanketflower
- Canada milkvetch
- Illinois bundleflower
- Leadplant
- Purple coneflower
- Purple prairieclover
- Roundhead lespedeza
- Scarlet globemallow
- Western yarrow
- White prairieclover

Middle

- Blackeyed Susan*
- Blanketflower
- Canada goldenrod
- Canada milkvetch
- Dotted gayfeather
- False sunflower
- False boneset
- Illinois bundleflower
- Leadplant
- Missouri goldenrod
- Plains coreopsis*
- Prairie sunflower
- Purple coneflower
- Purple prairieclover
- Roundhead lespedeza
- Scarlet globemallow
- Showy partridgepea
- Stiff goldenrod
- Stiff sunflower
- Upright coneflower
- Western yarrow
- White aster
- White prairieclover
- Wild bergamot*

Late

- Canada goldenrod
- Dotted gayfeather
- False sunflower
- False boneset
- Maximilian sunflower*
- Missouri goldenrod
- Prairie sunflower
- Showy partridgepea
- Stiff goldenrod
- Stiff sunflower
- Upright coneflower
- White aster

* = only appear in one season (no native forbs appear in all three seasons)



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Native Shrubs (all are considered early season)

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|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| American plum | Buffaloberry | Chokecherry |
| Elderberry | Golden currant | Gray dogwood |
| Red-osier dogwood | Skunkbush sumac | Woods Rose |

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

Complete the table below to document approved operation/maintenance and management activities:

To be completed by NRCS and Producer during planning			To be completed by Producer during certification		
1	2	3	4	5	6
Tract(s)	Field(s)	Acres Planned	Acres Treated	Management Activity Implemented	Date Completed
<i>EX. 101</i>	<i>1-5</i>	<i>6.0</i>	<i>2.0</i>	<i>Conducted a prescribed burn on 1/3 of each habitat block to maintain diversity.</i>	<i>March 2013</i>

EX= EXAMPLE, COLUMNS 1-3 NRCS COMPLETES, COLUMNS 4-6 PRODUCER COMPLETES

I certify that the pollinator habitat area meets these specifications including the following documentation as applicable:

1. Map with pollinator habitat area and clearly identified (highlighted, outlined, etc.).
2. Completed [NE-CPA-8 Grass Seeding Job Sheet](#) and associated seed tags, and bills as required.
3. Documentation of completed management activity, as required – (COMPLETE TABLE ABOVE)

Certified by: _____ **Date:** _____