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SUBJECT: ECS –Final Pollinator Plant Recommendations for New Mexico

Purpose: To distribute information about annual, herbaceous perennial, and shrub species that provide nectar and pollen to pollinating insects as well as other beneficial insects. This final version adds additional plant species to the previously revised list of recommended pollinator plants. These recommendations are based on additional observations in the Middle Rio Grande Valley as well as pollinator plantings at Farmington, Tucumcari, and Chaparral (south of Las Cruces), New Mexico.

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Explanation: This technical note was prepared by the Los Lunas Plant Materials Center. It presents information gathered from 5 years of plant and insect observations at the Center's Pollinator Plant Evaluation Garden as well as from plantings in Farmington, Tucumcari, and Chaparral (south of Las Cruces), New Mexico. Recommended plant species are listed including native annuals, native herbaceous perennials, and native shrubs as well as introduced species that attracted appreciable insect activity. The final document contains additional recommended plant species, commercial availability of seed, bloom season, self-seeding potential, ease of greenhouse propagation, propagation protocols for growing containerized pollinator plant seedlings, and notes regarding potential invasiveness and potential for use in dryland planting practices.

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