

Table 2. Native Herbaceous Plants That Are Found in Riparian Areas

Grasses

Switchgrass
 Bushy bluestem
 Eastern gamagrass
 Wildryes
 Vine-mesquite
 Dichantheliums
 Gaping panicum
 Maidencane
 Barnyardgrasses
 White tridens
 Longspike tridens
 Big sacaton
 Alkali sacaton
 Southwestern
 bristlegrass
 Western wheatgrass
 Seep muhly
 Wirestem muhly
 Alkali muhly
 Lindheimer's muhly
 Nimblewill
 Prairie cupgrasses
 Spikegrasses (Uniolas)
 Southern wildrice
 Cutgrasses
 Knotgrass
 Florida paspalum
 Longtom
 Hartweg paspalum
 Brownseed paspalum
 Water paspalum
 Carolina canarygrass
 Inland saltgrass
 Teal lovegrass
 Bearded sprangletop
 Mexican sprangletop
 Red sprangletop
 Texas bluegrass
 Witchgrasses
 Cordgrasses
 Giant cane
 Hydrochloa
 Plumegrasses
 Vaseygrass
 Common reedgrass

Grass-like Plants

Sawgrass
 Sedges
 Flatsedges
 Spikerushes
 Beakrushes
 Bulrushes
 Umbrella-sedges
 Fimbristylises
 Nutrushes
 Rushes
 Scouring rush
 Cattails
 Woolgrass

Forbs

Waterwillow
 Docks
 Smartweeds
 Asters
 Goldenrods
 Marsh fleabanes
 Yellow silphium
 Coneflowers
 Bonesets
 Mock bishop-weed
 Dogbane
 Cardinal flower
 Rosemallows
 (Hibiscuses)
 Maxmillian sunflower
 Frogfruits
 Plains ironweed
 Smallhead sneezeweed
 Ludwigias
 Dragonheads
 Ladies tresses
 St Johns-worts
 Ruellias
 Illinois bundleflower
 Sesbanias
 Water Hemlock
 White avens
 Arrowheads
 Yerba de tago
 Hydrolea
 Pennywort
 Ammannias
 Bricklebushes
 Heimia
 Meadow beauties
 Seepweeds

Riparian plant communities will include species that are also found in upland situations. This table is a partial listing of species and genera that are often characteristic of riparian situations.