









## LUSDA SUU UTAH POLLINATOR HABITAT PROGRAM

## **Water Groundsel** (Senecio hydrophilus)





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**Zone**: 6-9

Color: Yellow

**Bloom Time:** May to September

Plant Type: Biennial or perennial herb

Mature Height: 3-7' tall

Mature Spread: 1-2' wide

Water Use: Moderate to high

**Soil Type:** Loam, silt

Range and Native Habitat: The Water Groundsel can be found throughout the mid to northern part of the United States. It grows in swamps, marshes, and other wet environments, including standing water.

Suggested Maintenance: Leave foliage standing in the fall; this plant has hollow stems and may be beneficial to overwintering insects, such as native bees. Delay cutting in the spring (or bundle and hang the stems) to allow for emergence of insects.

Other: Water Groundsel also goes by the name of Water Ragwort. It is capable of growing in standing water, including salty water. It is pollinated by a large number of native bumble bees and butterflies.

## Wildlife Supported











## **Landscaping Information**





Water Needs Moderate to high



**Summer Irrigation** Max 4x / month once established



Soil Drainage Moderate to standing

**Distribution Map** 



**Propagation** By seed, 1-2 mos stratification