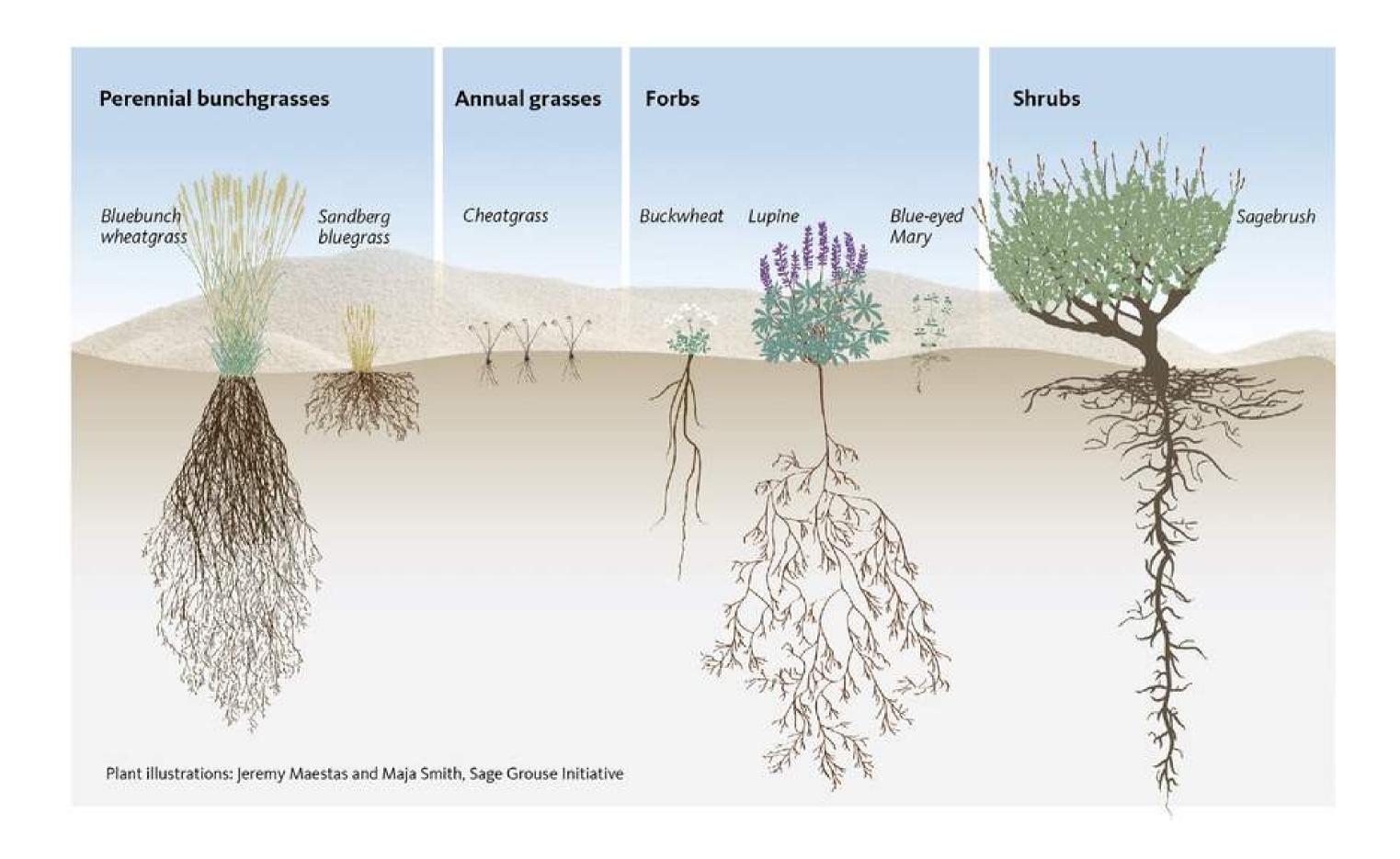
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Photo: Don Wolterstorff

Plant Functional Groups



Where do you find forbs?









Dry and Rocky Soils



Dwarf skullcap (Scutellaria nana)



Beckwith's violet (Viola beckwithii)





Corrugate-wing springparsley (Cymopterus corrugatus)





Sagebrush Uplands



Photo: Anne White

Leopard lily (Fritillaria atropurpurea)



Lewis flax (Linum lewisii)



Thistle (Cirsium sp.)



Wet Meadows (Mesic)



Prairie smoke (Geum triflorum)



Western peony (Paeonia brownii)



White brodiaea (Triteleia hyacinthina)



Lanceleaf figwort (Scrophularia lanceolata)



Riparian



Columbian monkshood (Aconitum columbianum)



Western coneflower (Rudbeckia occidentalis)



Elephant's head (Pedicularis groenlandica)

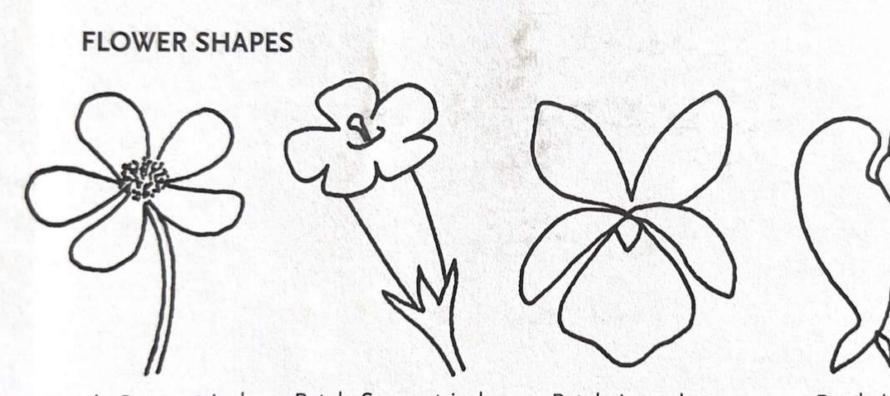


How to ID plants



What to look at - Flower

- color
- # of petals
- shape
- symmetrical or irregular
- where it's growing



Petals Symmetrical and Free

Petals Symmetrical and Joined

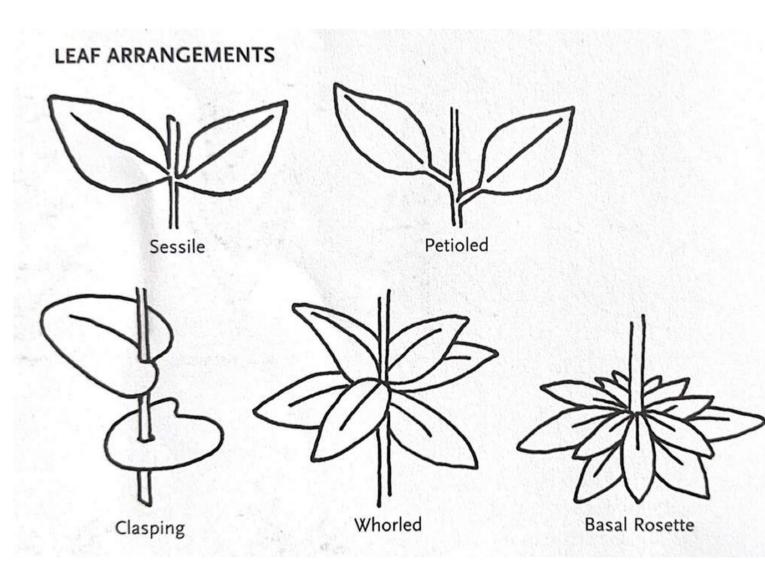
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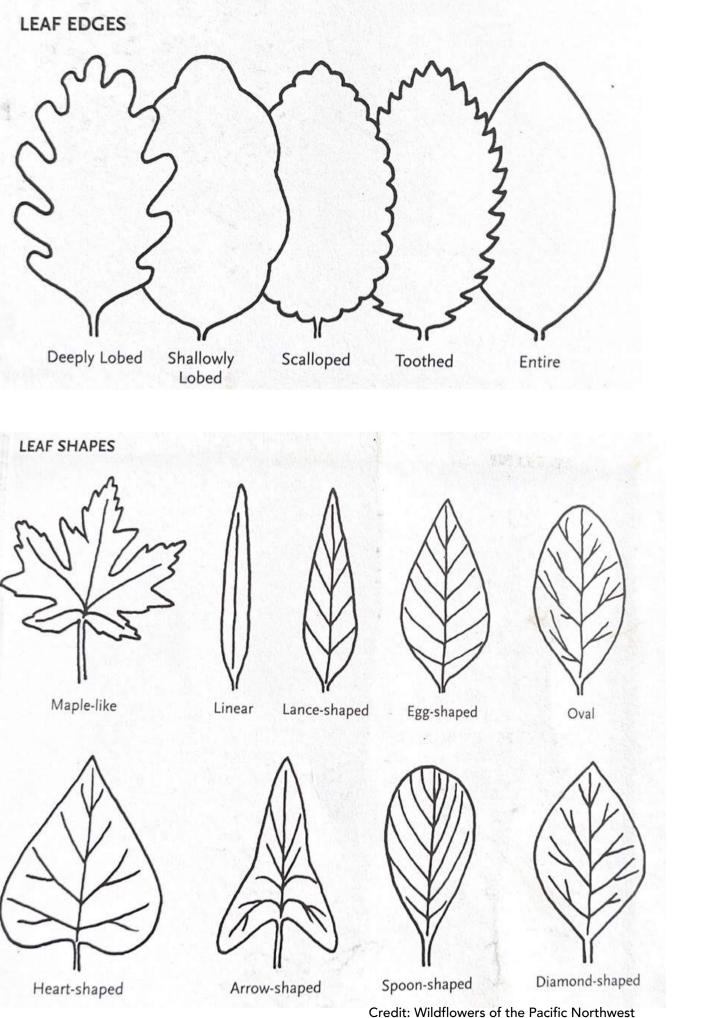
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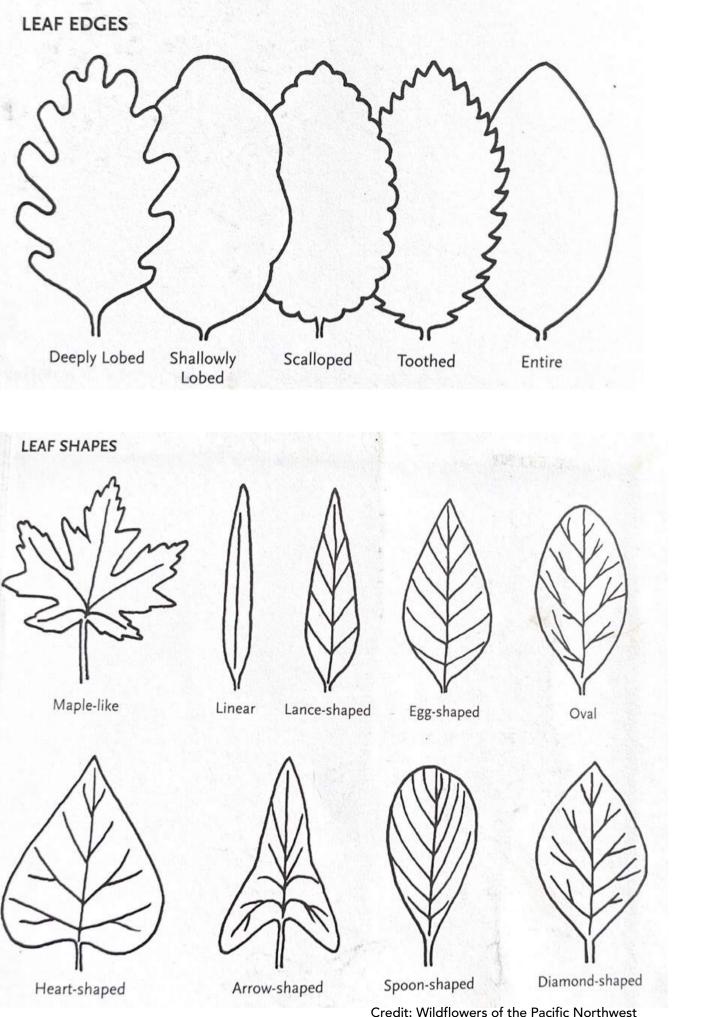
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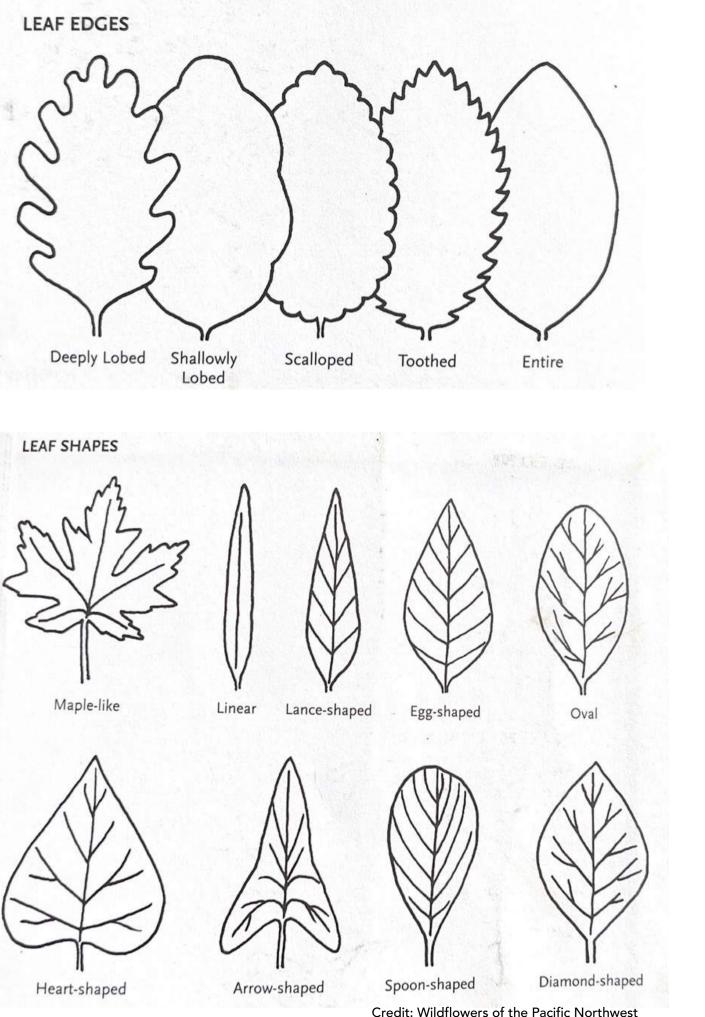
What to look at - Leaves

- leaf attachment & arrangement
- leaf margins
- leaf shapes









Threats



Introduced species

Grazing

Wildfire

Development

Cheatgrass (Bromus tectorum)



Photo: CSU Horticulture Extension



Photo: WLFW



Medusahead (Taeniantherum caputmedusae)





Photo: Greg Shine





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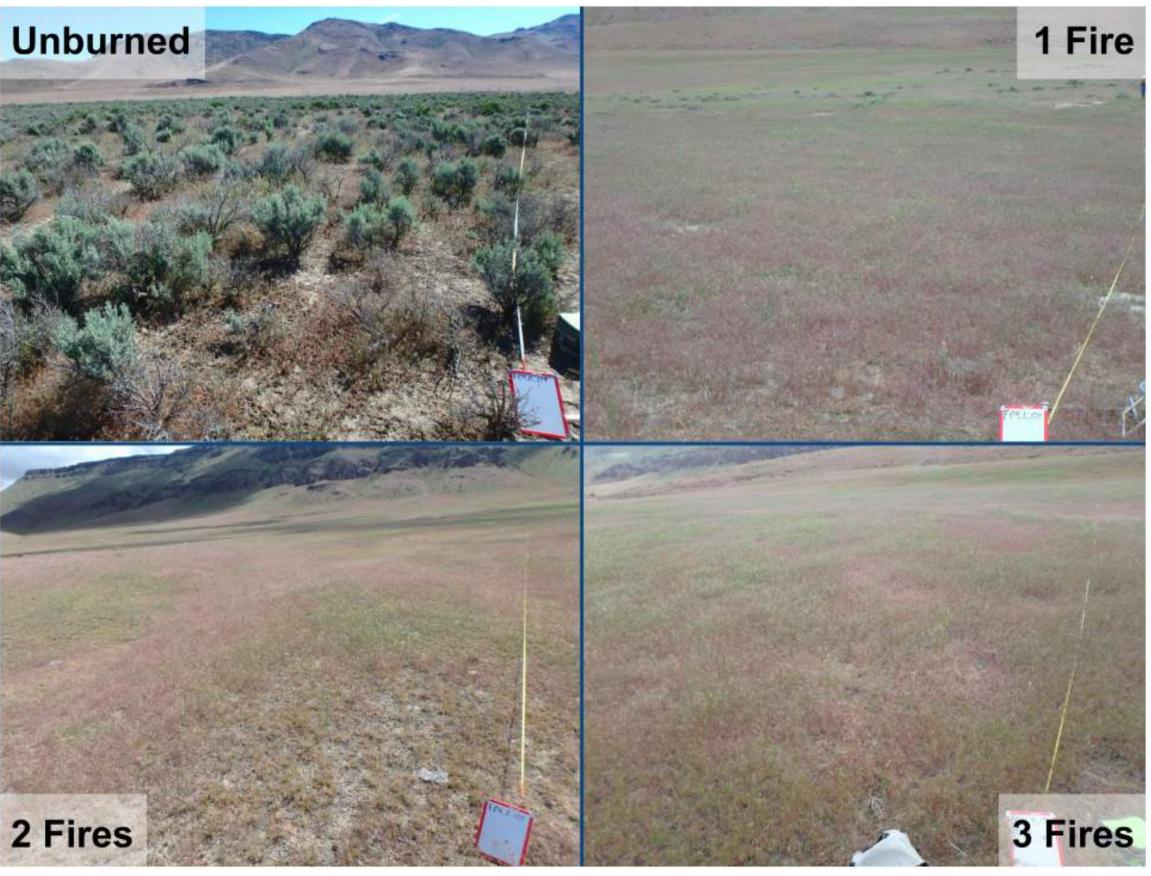


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Wildlife



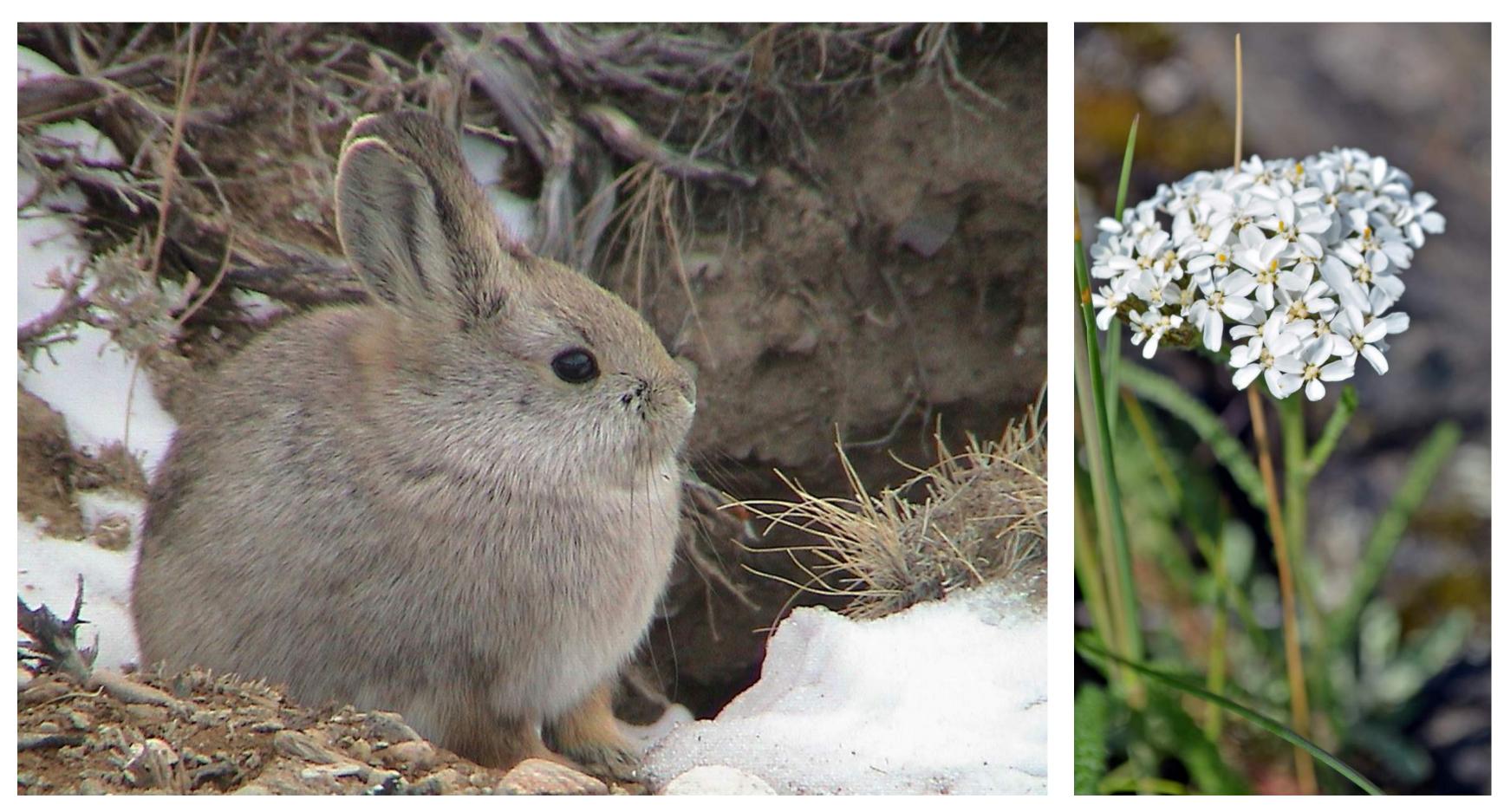
Greater sage-grouse



Pronghorn



Pygmy rabbit

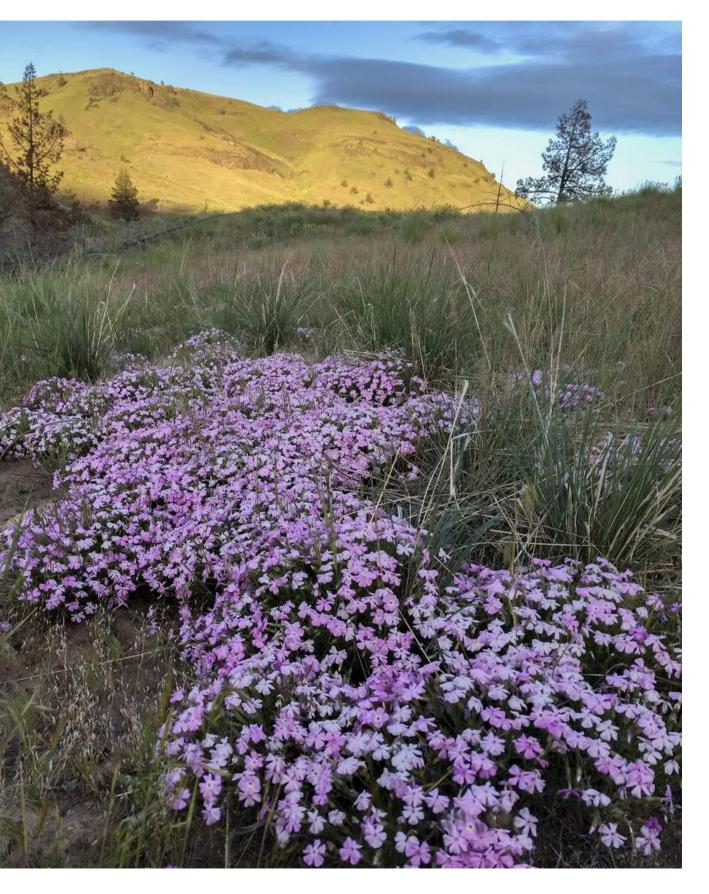


Pollinators



April- Spring BasinWilderness

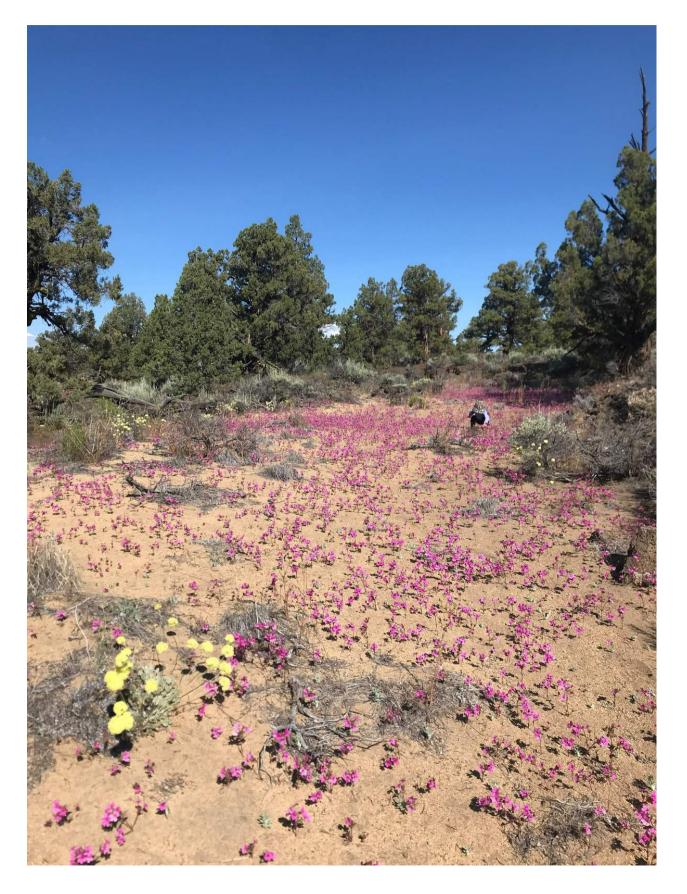




May- Middle Deschutes Wild and Scenic River



June- Oregon Badlands Wilderness





July- Steens Mountain Wilderness





