PHENOLOGY OBSERVATIONS
WILDFLOWERS AND HERBS

When did you observe?

Date

Which plant did you observe?

Common Name or Scientific Name

Address

City, State/Province, Postal code

Plant Nickname  e.g. Backyard Lily.
This helps you make another observation on this plant in the future.

What is your plant doing? Check the most applicable option for each category below.

Flowers

Fruit

Leaves
**Flowers**

*None* - No flowers or buds visible.

*First Bud* - First flower bud is visible.

*Bud Burst* - Flower sepals, also called bud scales, have opened to reveal the emerging flower. The color of the flower can be recognized.

*First* - First flower is fully open. When open, you will see the stamens/pistils among the unfolded petals.

*Early* - Few flowers are open (less than 5%).

*Middle* - Half or more of the flowers are completely open.

*Late* - Most flowers have wilted or fallen off (over 95%).

*All Withered* - All flowers have wilted or fallen off.

**Fruit**

*None* - No ripe fruits or seeds are visible. There is no fruit, or fruit is not yet ripe.

*First* - First fruits are fully ripe or a few seeds are dropping naturally from the plant. Ripening is usually indicated by a change in color to the mature color, or by drying and splitting open (for dry fruits such as capsules).

*Early* - Only a few ripe fruits or seeds are visible (less than 5%).

*Middle* - Half or more of the fruits are completely ripe or seeds are dropping naturally from the plant.

*Late* - Most fruits or seeds have been dispersed from the plant (over 95%).

**Leaves**

*First Shoot* - First appearance of the growing shoot is visible above ground.

*First Emerged* - First leaf has emerged. The leaf shape should be clearly visible, but it can still be partly folded.

*First Unfolded* - First leaf has unfolded and is at least 75% of its mature size.

*All Unfolded* - All emerged leaves are fully visible in their mature form.

*First Withered* - First leaf, of those that developed this season, has lost its green color or is dried and dead.

*All Withered* - Most or all of the leaves that developed this season have lost their green color or are dried and dead.