

Vocabulary List

Growth Form

Separates plants by relation to environment factors.

Grass

Plant with hollow, jointed stems that produce flowers called florets.

Grass-Like

Plant similar to grass, however stem is solid and is not jointed.

Forb

Plant that have very little hard tissue or plant parts, which may produce a flower.

Woody

Plant that is grown hard plant parts above the soil; a shrub or tree.

Growth Span

The time a plant first grows and when it dies.

Perennial

Plant that lives and grows year round

Annual

Plant that dies every year; grows from a new seed.

Forage Value

How good the plant is for an animal.

Desirability

Level of want for a plant by an animal.

Browsers

Animals that go for woody plants, newly grown plant tissue, and does not stay in one spot eating.

Grazers

Animals that go for grassy plants and some forbs; will stay in one area to eat for long periods of time.

Toxicity

How poisonous a plant is to all animals; does not include random side effects one specie has.

Carnivore

Animal that has a diet of mainly meat.

Herbivore

Animal that has a diet of mainly plants.

Omnivore

Animal that has a diet with both plants and meat.

Scavenger

Animal that eats off of animals that were killed by another animal.