

Native plants at St. Vrain Lakes Metro District

(All photos by Kristin Oles unless otherwise noted)

WILDFLOWERS

Scarlet globemallow (*Sphaeralcea coccinea*)



Prairie gentian (*Eustoma exaltatum* ssp. *russellianum*)



Showy milkweed (*Asclepias speciosa*)



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Mexican hat (*Ratibida columnifera*)



Hairy goldenaster (*Heterotheca villosa*)



GRASSES

Buffalograss (*Bouteloua dactyloides*)



(By Cecelia Alexander)

Blue grama (*Bouteloua gracilis*)



Sideoats grama (*Bouteloua curtipendula*)



Western wheatgrass (*Pascopyrum smithii*)



Switchgrass (*Panicum virgatum*)



Big bluestem (*Andropogon gerardii*)



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