

Bee City USA - Twin Falls

Report on 2022



Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

We took on a project to offer for sale plant trays with 8 different plants, 4 of each plant for a total of 32 plants per tray to homeowners of our area. Our year was consumed by figuring out what plants would be grown & by whom. Then finding locations to advertise this project. This is a multi-year project ending Mother's Day weekend, 2023.

Education & Outreach

Had a table at Bee Day @ Tubbs Berry Farm promoting our Magic Valley Pollinator Plant project. Had a table at Orton Botanical Garden's plant sale promoting our Magic Valley Pollinator Plant project. Had a table in the Ag Building at the Twin Falls County Fair promoting our Magic Valley Pollinator Plant project.

How many pollinator-related events did your affiliate host or help with last year (in total)?

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How many people attended those events (in total)?

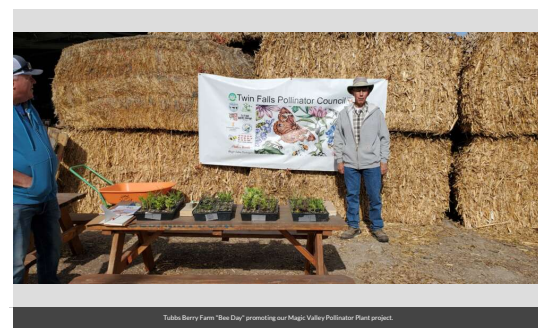
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How many Bee City USA logo street signs have you installed to date (in total)?

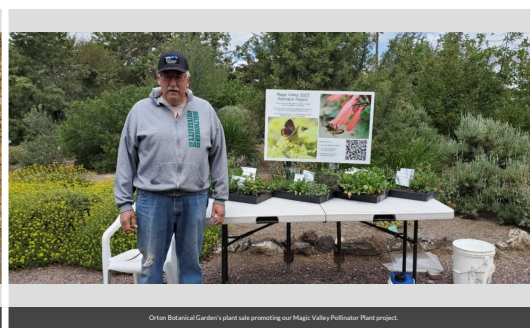
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*Did your city council/county commission (highest elected body) issue a proclamation for National Pollinator Week last summer?
Please note: this is now an optional activity.*

- Yes



Tobias Berry Farm 'Bee Day' promoting our Magic Valley Pollinator Plant project.



Ornel Botanical Garden's plant sale promoting our Magic Valley Pollinator Plant project.



In the Ag Building at Twin Falls County Fair promoting our Magic Valley Pollinator Plant project.

Policies & Practices

What actions have you taken to make pest management practices more pollinator-friendly?

- Implemented or maintained a written IPM plan
- Encouraged developers and private landscapers to source plants using "Buying Bee-Safe Plants" methods recommended by Xerces Society. (See <https://xerces.org/publications/fact-sheets/buying-bee-safe-plants>)
- Encouraged developers and private landscapers to source plants that were not treated with neonicotinoids

Are efforts underway in your community to further reduce pesticide use in residential or business areas? This may include neighborhood-led efforts, outreach to landscapers, etc. If so, please describe.

We are hosting a pesticide application seminar this Spring for homeowners and pesticide applicators, including City & County applicators.

In your city or campus, are any policy initiatives underway to further protect pollinators, people or waterways from pesticides?

None

Please describe actions by your affiliate to attend training on ecologically-based Integrated Pest Management and/or to review IPM plans and programs considered of high quality by Bee City USA?

Integrated Pest Management Plan:

<https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/ipm/pests>

Recommended Native Plant List: [native plant characteristics.xlsx](#)

<https://www.tfid.org/documentcenter/view/4084>

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:

<https://idahonativeplants.org/native-plant-resources/>

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