

Reconstruction of Pollinator Communities on Restored Prairies in Eastern  
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## **Abstract**

I observed and collected insects visiting flowers on 4 relatively undisturbed prairie sites and 4 reconstructed prairies (farm fields recently replanted to prairie plants) in south central Minnesota during the summers of 1991 and 1992. Bees, flies, wasps, Lepidoptera and beetles visited flowers. Over 1100 observations of insects per flower revealed no consistent differences between the native prairie sites and the reconstructions over all, although insects per flower varied among forb species. A total of 279 insect species were identified among the 4000 insects collected; 83 species were found on native sites only, 68 on reconstructions only, and 128 species on both native sites and reconstructions. Species richness of sites ranged from 40 to 111 flower-visiting species per site; both the highest and the lowest value were observed on reconstructions. All sites contained both specialist and generalist insects.

Bee species richness of sites was related to forb species richness, not to site area, reconstruction age or total number of flowers or inflorescences in bloom. Reconstructions and native sites were comparable in their bee species richness, but bee distribution was quite patchy. Only 8 of 125 bee species were found on all 8 sites, and each site had at least one unique bee species found on no other site.

These results imply that prairie reconstructions can be valuable sites for insect conservation; to increase this value, managers should plant a wide variety of forbs from several families, and include forbs which bloom early and late as well as mid-season species. Native prairie sites can support many insect species; even small remnants should be preserved.

Areas of greatest interest for further research include the adequacy of pollination by various insect groups for plant reproduction; the distribution of bees over larger areas including the protected sites; and the interactions among plants, their pollinators, and the other factors which allow high pollinator diversity on some sites.

The objectives of the project were

1. To determine what insect pollinator species become established in prairie reconstructions, and to compare the reconstruction pollinator communities with those of relatively undisturbed native prairies.
2. To identify factors which affect pollinator density and species richness in prairie reconstructions.

Rediscovery of the practical and esthetic values of native plants and animals has stimulated replanting of prairies on former agricultural lands. We must discover how to manage these reconstructions so they can become self-sustaining communities. The value of native plants in roadside land management for reduction of mowing and herbicide use is being increasingly recognized. Native insects are being considered as crop pollinators due to their resistance to parasitic mites and diseases, and due to the threat of Africanization of honeybees (Torchio 1990).

Though much is known about plant establishment in prairie reconstructions, little attention has been paid to prairie insects; at present, our knowledge of pollinator species presence and functioning is inadequate for management decision making. Most prairie plants require insect pollination for seed production, so pollinators are essential for the long-term functioning of preserves and of reconstructed prairies. Yet insects, including pollinators, are prone to population decrease and extinction when their habitats are altered. If pollinator populations are maintained, prairie preserves and reconstructions can serve as reservoirs for insects which also pollinate crops and other plants outside the prairie areas.

The tallgrass prairie community includes many insects which are pollination specialists (oligoleges) visiting only single plant families, genera, or even single species (Schemske 1983). The pollinator community also contains many generalists (polyleges); they visit and pollinate many plants, and shift their hosts as new flowers come into bloom (Evans 1984; Heinrich 1979).

Plants vary in the number of insects they attract and support: specialists (oligotrophs) are visited by only a few insect species (which may also visit other plants). Generalists (polytrophs) are visited by many insects (which may vary in their effectiveness as pollinators), and can support many different insect species.

Normally many pollinators are present in an area; bumblebees tend to be highly mobile generalists, small native bees are frequently more specialized in the flowers they visit, and honeybees utilize dense flower clusters, especially of alien plants (Ginsberg 1983). Honeybees are rarely seen on prairie plants in Minnesota (Dickinson and McKone 1992). Not much is known about flies and wasps as pollinators. Likewise, Lepidoptera are considered to be important pollinators in many cases, but definite evidence is lacking on this except for a few plant species (Courtney 1982; Wiklund et

al. 1982).

Are pollinators common in prairie remnants? Prairie management studies have emphasized plants: recent work on insects (Opler 1989; Nekola, in press) suggests that current management techniques, especially frequent burning, may in fact be harmful to native insect populations. Panzer (1981) reports that even areas as small as two hectares can support rare prairie insects if properly managed, including restrained burning and the removal of unnatural habitat features including weedy trails.

In historic times the prairie has become increasingly fragmented. Insect specialists dependent on prairie plants may have shifted their resource use to become more generalized (Janzen 1974; Feinsinger 1983; Estes et al. 1983), persisted in small populations, or become extinct. Extinction is an increasingly likely prospect as populations become smaller (Dempster 1991). Have species been lost from the prairie insect community? Can prairie species become established and increase on reconstructions? Two aspects of insect biology must be understood: the insects' colonizing ability and their ability to become established when they reach the reconstructions.

Prairie reconstructions are early successional systems, or new areas to be colonized, from the insects' point of view. Theory gives some clues as to expectations regarding pollinator colonization of prairie reconstructions: opportunistic generalists are likely to be more important than specialists in early successional habitats (Feinsinger 1986). Specialized pollinators may have greater difficulty than generalists both in maintaining their populations in the absence of prairie (Kevan 1975) and in colonizing new habitats even where they are present nearby (Johnson 1969). However, the prairie itself is a young habitat by geological standards; it has been colonized by insects since the last glaciers (Lemkuhl ).

Can prairie reconstructions be made more attractive to colonizing insects? Alternative views of pollinator-plant interactions lead to different management implications:

1. Pollinator presence depends on specific plants and their interaction with specialist insects.

Insect specialists can colonize only areas which contain their host plants. For example, the sweat bee Dufourea monardae (Halictidae) requires Monarda species (Labiatae: Monarda fistulosa on my sites) and is not found in sites where this plant genus is absent. Highly specialized pollinators have short flight seasons as they can forage only when their host plants are in

flower. Other long-lived insects, such as many bumblebees, visit a variety of plants from many families and are not dependent on single plant species.

If these specialist-based interactions are occurring on prairie reconstructions, we can expect to influence pollinator communities by introducing certain plants. If the plant species themselves, not the overall community species richness or diversity, which determine how many and what pollinators are present, we can add insect species by introducing their plants. We would need to identify what plant species would be most successful in maintaining pollinator biodiversity and bring in insect specialists by bringing in their plants: the more plants, the more specialist insects.

2. Pollinator presence depends on the habitat resource level: how many flowers are present, and whether there is a dearth period during the summer when no flowers are available.

Many researchers have found resource limitation among pollinators. Bowers (1985) found bumblebee populations in meadows were limited by resources, and many colonies became extinct in the course of the summer due to lack of pollen and nectar. Ginsberg (1981) described higher bee populations on expanded resources as settlement occurred in New York State. Introduced fruit trees and weeds (all generalist plants) provided insect forage. Heinrich (1976) observed bumblebees in undisturbed bogs and in disturbed habitats in Maine. The bogs had the greatest degree of overlap in flowering periods (ie no dearth period), and the greatest bumblebee species richness. Heinrich also observed that some introduced plant species such as clovers supported bees when few other flowers were blooming. Prescott-Allen and Prescott-Allen (1986) described work by Bohart indicating that wild bees have become more abundant in the western US due to increased weeds replacing forests, among other factors.

If these interactions dominate the plant-pollinator relationship, plant species choice in reconstruction planning would be unimportant provided plants were present at high density and flowered throughout the summer.

3. Some plants have disproportionate effect on the insect community as a whole. These are keystones, or plants which provide critical support for other species, especially as food sources during times of scarcity (Gilbert 1980; Soule and Kohm 89). These plants when present can increase the species richness of the insect community.

If this keystone-based dynamic is occurring, we need to identify keystone plants and plant them.

The studies cited above suggest several hypotheses.

- A. Hypotheses related to pollinator colonization of prairie reconstructions:
1. Reconstructions will have lower insect density than native prairies.
  2. Pollinator species richness will decrease with distance from sources of colonists.
- B. Hypotheses related to pollinator establishment on reconstructions
3. pollinator species richness will increase with forb species richness as more plants add more specialists
  4. Pollinator species richness will increase with resource levels, ie flower number
  5. Certain plant species (keystones) will be associated with greater pollinator species richness wherever they are found.
- C. Hypotheses based on succession theory:
6. Pollinator species richness will increase with reconstruction area
  7. Pollinator species richness will increase with age of reconstruction
  8. Reconstructions will have more insect generalists, and fewer specialists, than native prairies.

## **Materials and Methods**

I observed and collected insects in 4 native prairie sites and 4 prairie reconstructions during 1991 and 1992. I counted insects on known numbers of flowers or inflorescences and made timed collections from flowers blooming in these sites.

In 1992 we made 90 visits to study sites between May 27 and September 19, 1992 and made 826 insect density observations on a total of 55 plant species. We collected 2001 insects from flowers and counted or estimated the number of flowers at each site on each visit. High school and elementary teachers assisted me in the field and lab as part of the Research Experiences for Teachers program developed by the U of M Continuing Education and Extension programs. In 1991 we made 283 density observations during 52 visits and collected 1400 insects. In 1990 I made limited collections; insects collected in 1990 are included on the species lists.

<u>Site</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Total Visits</u>
AREM (Afton remnant)	Native Prairie	12
ASP (Afton reconstruction)	Reconstruction	12
CARP (Carpenter Nature Ctr)	Reconstruction	27
CC (Cedar Creek Nat Hist area)	Native	21
CEM (Point Douglas Cemetery)	Native	21
CHR (Crow Hassan Park Res)	Reconstruction	23
LLRP (Long Lake Reg. Park)	Reconstruction	12
LV (Lost Valley SNA)	Native	21

### Survey Methods

I surveyed insects visiting the flowers of a total of 60 forb species blooming in the sites listed above. I counted the flowers of each forb species blooming on each sampling date using quadrat and line transect methods. Insect observations were made for each forb species with at least 500 flowers open. The first observation was May 27 and the last observation was September 24, 1992; in 1991, June 5 and September 20.

Insects were observed and counted on all the flowers or inflorescences present, or on 1500 flowers or inflorescences, whichever was more. Insects were identified to field identification categories of bumblebees, small bees, green bees, long-tongued bees, honeybees, syrphids, sphinx moths, other Lepidoptera, goldenrod soldier beetles (Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus), black blister beetles (Epicauta pennsylvanica), wasps, ambush bugs (Phymata fasciata) and other insects. Observations were made between 9 am and 4 pm on sunny or partly cloudy days when the temperature was between 20 and 35 degrees Celsius.

A fifteen-minute collection was made at the end of each sampling day in each site from each forb species with at least 100 flowers or inflorescences blooming on that day. Insects were collected by sweeping from flowers. I attempted to minimize overlap in collecting to avoid depleting the insect populations on the sites. I made 216 collections from all native sites combined, and 280 collections from all reconstructions combined. Each specimen was labelled with the site, date, and plant on which it was collected. All specimens were identified or confirmed by specialists, as shown:

Bees: Andrenidae and Anthophoridae: Wallace Laberge, Illinois Natural History Survey

Halictids: George Eickwort, Cornell University



Megachilids and Colletids: Terry Griswold, USDA/ARS Bee Lab  
Bumblebees: Robbin Thorp, UC Davis  
Flies: Wilford J. Hanson, Utah State University  
Wasps: John Luhman, University of Minnesota  
Lepidoptera: the author, using the U of M Collections  
Beetles: Phil Clausen, University of Minnesota

## Study Sites

### Prairie Reconstructions

Crow Hassan Park Reserve (CHR) in northwestern Hennepin County (MN) includes 243 hectares of reconstructed prairie replanted in former agricultural fields over the last 15 years. Forbs have been planted densely in a small part of the prairie area. The area is managed by controlled burning of parts of the area in different years. The soil is very sandy.

Afton State Park (ASP), Washington County, MN contains several reconstructions. I sampled a 4.8 hectare field containing prairie grasses and 4 forb species planted 9 years ago and managed by controlled burning. The soil is deep and loamy.

Carpenter Nature Center (CARP) in Washington County (MN) contains a 32.4-hectare reconstructed prairie. One-quarter of the area was planted in 1988, one-quarter in 1989, one-quarter in 1990 and the remaining area in 1991. The reconstructions are managed by mowing in the early stages, followed by regular burning. The soil is deep and loamy.

Long Lake Regional Park in Ramsey County (MN) contains a 2.8-hectare prairie reconstruction planted in 1987. This area is managed by burning. The soil is sandy with some clay.

### Native Prairies

Afton Remnant (AREM) is a 1.6 hectare remnant located on the bluff top in Afton State Park. It was relatively overgrown but has recently been managed by brush cutting and burning. The soil is deep and loamy.

Point Douglas Cemetery (CEM) is a 0.4 hectare pioneer cemetery directly adjacent to the Carpenter Nature Center Reconstruction. It has never been plowed and is managed by burning the entire site. the soil is deep and loamy.

Lost Valley State Natural area (LV) is located near the other Washington County sites. The protected area is 40.5 hectares including bluff prairie, shrubs, old field vegetation, and a small area still cultivated. Management of the area began in 1991 with brush cutting and burning of part of the site; this was continued extensively in 1992. In the prairie areas there is very shallow soil over limestone.

Cedar Creek Natural History area (CC), Anoka County, MN, contains a 60.7 hectare oak savanna area containing many prairie plants. Sections of the area are burned in different years. The soil is very sandy.

## Forbs on Sites

Sixty forb species were present in high enough numbers for pollinator collection (at least 100 flowers present on at least one sampling date). Forb species number ranged from a low of 7 species at Afton State Park to a high of 32 species at Crow Hassan Park Reserve. Complete species lists are given in the Appendix, and the forb species number for each site is shown in Table 5 .

## Results and Discussion

### Insects per Flower by Plant Species

I compared overall insects per flower for native and reconstructed prairies by dividing the number of insects observed (total and for each field ID category), by the number of flowers on which they were counted and multiplied by 100. This value is defined as insect density. I took the mean of these values for all sites, dates and plants in each type, native or reconstructed (Table 1).

Table 1. Insects per flower in native and reconstructed Prairies, x100, means for all sites, dates and plants

Type	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Dev.
Native	298	0	147.20	7.21	14.90
Reconstr	528	0	106.75	6.39	13.06

The difference between means was not significant ( $P=0.30$ ) based on Wilcoxon's nonparametric T-test. In addition, to remove the possible effects of different plant density, forb species number, attractiveness of certain forb species, date of sampling and number of observations on the difference (if any) in insect density between native and reconstructed sites, I calculated density means for all plants on each date, and for all dates at each site, then calculated a site mean from these. I compared these by t-test, assuming that the site means ( $N=8$ ) are from a normally distributed population of such means, based on equal or unequal variances as appropriate.

The effect of this means-of-means procedure was to reduce the effect of extreme values on the means. This method gave no significant differences between insect densities in native and reconstructed sites for any

of the field id groups for either year; a conclusion from this would be that once we remove the effects of different attractiveness of plant species, numbers of samples and date of samples, there are no differences left that are due to native vs. reconstruction nature of the site.

Next I compared insect densities on plants which were present in at least one native site and one reconstruction. Twenty-one of the 60 plant species observed could be paired. I compared mean insects per flower for each type (combining all sites and dates) for each of these plant species. Eleven of the 21 had higher mean insects per flower values in the native prairie sites, while 10 species had higher values in the reconstructions.

### **Insects per Flower by Insect Field Identification Group**

I calculated the mean density of each field identification group for native prairies and reconstructions, and did pairwise comparisons of mean insect densities of specific flowers, as described above, for each group of insects identified in the field. I tested the pairwise differences for statistical significance using the Wilcoxon signed ranks test. Densities of honeybees, long-tongued bees and syrphids showed no differences between native sites and reconstructions on either total density comparisons or pairwise comparisons. Sphinx moths, black blister beetles and other insects were seen so rarely that there were too few observations to compare statistically.

Bumblebee means showed no significant differences by type, (native vs. reconstruction), but the pairwise comparisons showed higher mean bumblebee densities on reconstructions than on native prairie for 18 of the 21 plant species compared, a highly significant difference ( $p = 0.0002$ , Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test).

In contrast, small bee densities were significantly higher on the reconstructions than on the native prairie, but pairwise comparisons showed no significant difference between the two types. This discrepancy appears to be due to the presence of several plant species with high small bee densities which were found in reconstructions but not in native prairie; these could not be included in the pairwise comparisons. Similarly, green bee density was significantly higher in reconstructions, but pairwise comparisons showed no significant difference, again possibly related to the presence of attractive plant species on the reconstructions. (Attractiveness of plant species is discussed below under Plants).

Wasps, Lepidoptera and goldenrod soldier beetles showed significantly higher densities on native prairie sites than on reconstructions, but the pairwise comparisons showed no significant differences.

When I improved the sign test to include only those plants found in at least 2 native and 2 reconstructed sites (*Aster ericoides*, *Rudbeckia hirta*, *Ratibida pinnata*, *Amorpha canescens*, *Monarda fistulosa*, *Solidago canadensis*, *Solidago speciosa*, *Solidago rigida* = 8 plants), the sign test gave no significance for native-reconstruction differences in 1992. There

were only 5 plants meeting the criteria in 91--not enough for a sign test.

In summary, reconstruction vs native prairie status in itself does not seem to influence the number of insects per flower; the plant species present appear to be more important in influencing the number of insects present on a per-flower basis. The reconstructions over all do not lack flower visitors compared to the native sites.

### **Seasonal Patterns in Insect Populations**

I multiplied insects per flower values by the number of flowers on each site and summed the results for all flower species to calculate total insects for each site and date. Insect numbers changed frequently and suddenly as insects left the sites, entered diapause, or died when their plants finished blooming. Patterns varied from site to site and between the two years; generally the number of insects increased somewhat throughout the summer and declined as the fall flowers finished blooming.

Bumblebee numbers started low, and usually peaked on sites when the midseason flowers, especially Monarda fistulosa bloomed, and again late in the season when the goldenrods and asters were in full bloom. Bumblebees are especially mobile and forage over a larger area than any of these study sites. Honeybees are also mobile and opportunistic; they were generally rare on the prairie but visited the white and yellow sweetclovers early in the season, Verbena stricta and occasionally M. fistulosa in midseason, and the goldenrods and asters in the late summer.

The small bees and green bees, mainly halictids, tended to fluctuate in numbers from year to year and site to site. They were more common early in the season. The long-tongued bee field id category included andrenids, anthophorids and some megachilids. Most of them were spring or fall specialists and were abundant for short periods only.

The sphinx moths were always rare on my sites. I saw them only during the mf blooming season, with few exceptions.

Syrphid flies showed few definite patterns. Some seemed to have spring or fall peaks in numbers. Wasps peaked in the late summer; in some sites wasp numbers were also high in midsummer on the mmint.

Goldenrod soldier beetles and black blister beetles increased rapidly in early August to peak in late August. They persisted into early September.

Lepidoptera varied from site to site; each species has its own flight period and mobility patterns.

### **Insect Species Richness of Native Prairies and Reconstructions**

Table 2 shows the number of species collected, exclusive of beetles, true bugs and a few other groups not considered to be pollinators.

Table 2. Number of Insect Species on Native Prairies and Reconstructions

	Bees	Wasps	Flies	Leps	Total*
Native	99	47	45	20	211
Reconstr.	97	38	48	15	198

\*Listed groups only

I listed species according to the types of sites they were found on: native prairie only, reconstruction only, or both (Table 3).

Table 3. Insect Species Numbers on Native and Reconstructed Prairies

	Present in Both Types	Native Only	Rec Only	Total
<u>Bees</u>				
Colletidae	3	4	7	14
Andrenidae	11	5	8	24
Halictidae	24	9	5	38
Megachilidae	8	7	3	18
Anthophoridae	12	3	2	17
Apidae (exc. <u>Apis</u> )	14	0	0	14
<b>Total Bee Species</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>125</b>
<u>Flies</u>	25	21	21	67
<u>Wasps</u>	24	22	14	60
<u>Lepidoptera</u>	7	12	8	27
<b>Total Insect Species</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>279</b>

#### Estimates of Total Flower-Visiting Species

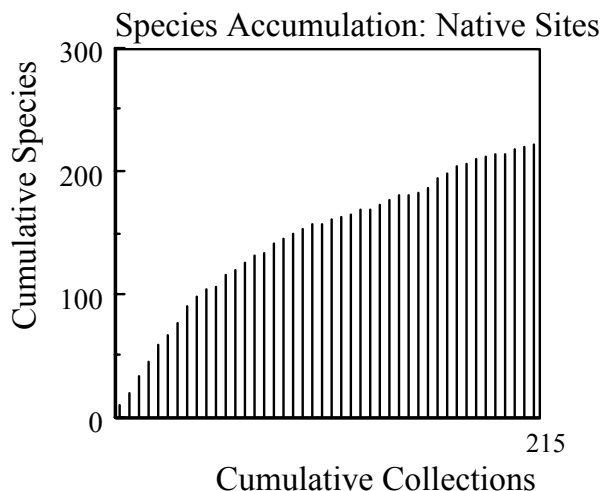
I estimated the total species number for all native sites and all reconstructions using two methods described by Krebs (1989). The jackknife estimate is based on the number of unique species found, ie those species

found in only one collection. This method yielded an estimate of 275.75 plus or minus 10.358 species for the native prairie sites, and 262.8 species, plus or minus 10.34 for the reconstructions, ie a 95% confidence interval of 265.39 to 286.11 species for the native sites and 252.45 to 273.14 species for the reconstructions.

The lognormal estimate is based on the assumption that the species are distributed among abundance classes so that a normal curve will be formed when the species are placed into geometric classes. The species richness data form a truncated curve in this case; sources disagree on the validity of using the lognormal estimate under these conditions (Krebs 1989). The lognormal estimate yields 273.31 species for the native sites and 265.00 species for the reconstructions. No confidence intervals can be made with this estimate.

All measures indicate that more insect species are present on flowers in native sites than in reconstructions. To determine whether whether approximately the same proportion of species present were collected in both cases, I constructed species-accumulation curves for the native sites and the reconstructions (Figures 1 and 2). To do this I listed the species found in each collection; listed collections randomly, and graphed the cumulative number of species for each collection (ie the new species added by a collection plus all the species in previous collections). As more collections are made, the rate at which new species are found will decrease as we approach the actual number of species present on the site. The graphs do not flatten out, since it is impossible to collect all the species present; but the graph for all reconstructions is flatter than that for all native sites, suggest that a higher proportion of the total species have been collected on the reconstructions than on the native sites, despite fewer collections on the native sites.

Figure 1.





## **Insect Species Richness of Sites**

Table 4 lists the number of insect species present at each site.

The Carpenter Nature Center reconstruction had nearly 3 times as many insect species as the Afton State Park Reconstruction, the highest and lowest values respectively. The differences in insect species richness seem to be most closely related to forb species richness, as discussed below.

There are more insect species over all on the native sites than the reconstructions, but the individual sites are comparable in their species richness. To determine whether the native sites were more different from each other than the reconstructions I calculated Sorenson's Similarity index for all site combinations (Krebs 1988). This index compares the species composition of sites based on the number of species common to both sites and the number of species unique to each site. CEM showed the highest similarity values to other sites, while ASP showed the lowest values. There were no obvious differences among the native-native comparisons, the reconstruction-reconstruction comparisons, and the native-reconstruction comparisons; in fact, no definite patterns were observed. It does not appear that the native sites are more different from each other than the reconstructed sites, despite the greater number of species found on only native sites than on only reconstructions (Table 3).

## **Bees**

Plants which attract bees: plant species from which 20 or more bee species were collected (total for all samples) were these: Helianthus rigidus, Solidago nemoralis, Zizia aurea, Aster ericoides, Amorpha canescens, Penstemon grandiflorus, Solidago canadensis, Solidago rigida, Agastache foeniculum, Pycnanthemum virginianum, Aster oolentangiensis, Monarda fistulosa, and Dalea purpurea.

Bees from 6 families were collected.

A total of 15 species of Anthophorids were collected on the 4 native prairie sites, and a total of 13 Anthophorid species were collected on the reconstructions; at least 17 species overall (see Appendix for species list). Plants with an average of 1 or more Anthophorids per collection were Aster oolentangiensis, Verbena hastata, Ratibida pinnata, Stachys palustris and Teucrium canadense, Vernonia fasciculata, Liatris aspera, Helianthus tuberosus, Penstemon grandiflorus, Vicia americana, Rubus occidentalis, Helianthus rigidus, Cirsium discolor and Aster ontarionis.

A total of 24 Andrenid species were collected. Plants with an average of 1 or more Andrenids per collection were Aster ericoides, Galium boreale, Aster lanceolata, Helianthus tuberosus, Lupinus perennis, Vicia americana, Syrinchium campestre, Solidago nemoralis, Solidago rigida, Helianthus rigidus, and Zizia aurea.

Among the Apidae there were 12 species of Bombus (bumblebees) and 2 species of Psithyrus (cuckoo bees or parasitic bumblebees). The honeybee



Apis mellifera was seen on all sites--because it is an alien imported from Europe it is not included on the species lists. Plants with an average of 2 or more bumblebees per collection were Aster lanceolata, Stachys palustris and Teucrium canadense, Agastache foeniculum, Vernonia fasciculata, Liatris aspera, Liatris punctata, Monarda fistulosa, Dalea purpurea, Dalea villosa, Solidago speciosa and Cirsium discolor. Plants with more than 1 bumblebee per 100 flowers or inflorescences were (in order of increasing attractiveness) Aster lanceolata, Agastache foeniculum, Dalea purpurea, Monarda fistulosa, Verbena hastata, Liatris aspera, Nepeta cataria, Solidago speciosa, Vernonia fasciculata, and Cirsium discolor in 1991, and Amorpha canescens, Monarda fistulosa, Grindelia squarrosa, Agastache foeniculum, Stachys palustris and Teucrium canadense, Liatris pycnostachya, Solidago canadensis, Liatris aspera, Dalea purpurea, Aster lanceolata, Solidago speciosa, Dalea villosa and Cirsium discolor in 1992. (Vernonia fasciculata was not observed in 1992; Grindelia squarrosa, Stachys palustris and Teucrium canadense, Liatris pycnostachya, and Dalea villosa were not observed in 1991).

Honeybees were generally rare on prairie plants, even though there were many hives in the area, especially in Washington county where many of the nearby orchards contain hives. We did not collect honeybees, but counted them in the density observations. Plants with one or more honeybees per flower or inflorescence were Nepeta cataria, Solidago canadensis, Cirsium arvense, Rubus occidentalis and Solidago speciosa in 1992; 5 plants of 57 observed.

Halictids (sweat bees) constitute a large fraction of the insect species diversity here (41 species). The group contains extreme generalists, extreme specialists and everything in between. Attractive plants: plants with an average of 3 or more Halictids per collection were Aster ericoides, Aquilegia canadense, Chrysopsis villosa, Campanula rotundifolia, Vernonia fasciculata, Amorpha canescens, Lupinus perennis, Potentilla recta, Dalea purpurea, Rubus occidentalis, Sysirinchium campestre and Zizia aurea.

Megachilids (leafcutter bees) included 19 species. They are stem nesters. Plants with an average of 0.5 or more Megachilids per collection were Grindelia squarrosa, Campanula rotundifolia, Amorpha canescens, Aster sericeus, Lupinus perennis, Penstemon grandiflorus, Allium canadense, Dalea purpurea, Solidago speciosa, Cirsium discolor, and Aster ontarionis.

There were 14 species of Colletidae. Plants with an average of 1 or more Colletids per collection were Campanula rotundifolia, Penstemon grandiflorus, Allium canadense, Potentilla recta, Dalea purpurea, Rosa blanda, Sysirinchium campestre, and Zizia aurea.

## Bee Phenology

I charted the phenology of all the bee species for which eight or more individuals were collected, a total of 57 species, by listing the first and last dates of collection. The majority of the species fell into 4 groups:

1. Early season bees. These were the first species seen starting with the first collection date (May 29) and were not seen after mid-June. They were associated on my sites with certain early plant species, though they are recorded in the literature as visiting other plants. Andrena wilkella, A. cressonii, and A. crataegi were mainly on Zizia, Tetralonia dubitata, and Hoplitis pilosifrons on Penstemon grandiflorus.

2. Mid season bees were Andrena rudbeckiae, Colletes susannae, Dufourea monardae, and Heriades carinata.

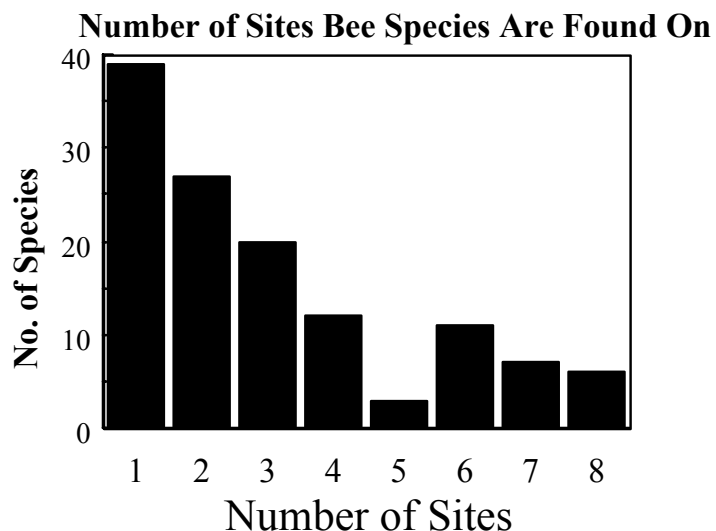
3. Late season bees included Andrena placata, A. helianthi, A. hirticincta, A. simplex, A. nubecula, A. asteris, Melissodes agilis, M. rustica, M. desponsa, M. dentiventris, and Colletes simulans armatus. Most of these species are Asteraceae specialists.

4. Long season bees were collected from June through August. All Bombus species were long season bees, as were many Halictids. All these species are generalists and shifted from plant to plant as the season progressed.

## Distribution of Bee Species Among Sites

Bee distribution was extremely patchy. Of the 125 bee species, 39 were found on only one site, while only 6 were found on all 8 sites (see graph). Each site had at least one unique species found on no other site.

Figure 3.



## Site Factors Related to Bee Species Richness

Factors which could influence species richness include area of site, resource level of site (number of flowers), age of reconstruction, plant species diversity, presence of keystone plant species (if there are any), presence of plant species which have specialized pollinators, site phenology (having flowers in bloom throughout the season), sources of colonists nearby, and other bee-biology factors such as nesting sites, absence of parasites or disease. Some of these factors are listed in Table 5.

Table 5. Area, Maximum Flower Number, Age and Forb Species Number of Sites

Site	Area, Hectares	Maximum Flower Number 1992	Age, Years	Forb Species*
ASP	4.8	113,618	9	7
CARP	32.4	93,223	3-6	25
CHR	243.1	40,562	1-15	32
LLRP	2.8	35,490	4	29
AREM	1.6	11,380	--	13
CEM	0.4	22,800	--	15
LV	40.5	16,193	--	22
CC	60.7	9,396	--	17

\* Includes only those species with at least 100 flowers or inflorescences blooming on at least one sampling date

### Site area

I determined area based on information from site managers or by measuring on maps. I included all areas that were definitely prairie, or the entire area of the site where prairie plants were found among other plants. "Area" per se does not directly measure the amount of bee habitat as the bees' resources (flowers and nesting sites) are distributed in an extremely patchy and variable manner among and within sites. Given these considerations, it is not surprising that there is no correlation between area of site and bee species number.

### Resource Level (flower number)

Maximum flower number is the total number of flowers at the peak of the blooming season. There was no correlation between flower number and bee species number.

### Age of Reconstructions

Age of reconstruction is difficult to determine; I did not attempt any analysis of this factor. The Afton State Park and Long Lake Regional Park reconstructions were planted all at once (as far as I can determine), while new forb species are constantly being added to the Carpenter and Crow Hassan sites. Crow Hassan was planted to prairie grasses in the late 1970's, with the forbs added later as seeds and plants became available commercially. All the sites are invaded by weeds to some extent, both aliens such as Cirsium arvense and weedier native plants such as Solidago canadensis; weed populations vary but tend to diminish with the age of the reconstruction. Thus the classical succession process of increased plant species richness as succession progresses may not necessarily be occurring in these sites.

### Distance from Sources of Colonists

Distance from sources of colonists must be stated in terms of the ability of insects, especially reproductive members of the species, to travel that far, either on their normal foraging trips or when blown around by strong winds. Some references indicate a "veritable rain of insects" (Johnson 1969), including bees, but few records are available for our area.

I also considered the possible sources of colonists near my study sites. The Washington County map shows many prairie and oak savanna remnants large enough to be mapped; as estimated from the DNR map, the smallest ones shown are about 8000m<sup>2</sup>, or 90X90 meters. There are at least 125 remnants this size or larger in the county (Source: Minnesota County Biological Survey Map Series no 1 (1990) Washington County). Presumably there are many more remnants too small to map, yet not too small to support bees, especially along the river bluffs and the railroad tracks. These remnants seem to be the only possible nearby sources of bees to colonize the reconstructions, at least for those specialists which can't survive in the woods, roadside weeds, ag fields and suburban gardens which have replaced most of the prairie and savanna.

The rural/suburban Hennepin county (CHR) and Anoka county (CC) locations are probably similar to the Washington County sites in having many remnants not too far away. Northwest Hennepin county is both more agricultural and more developed than the area near Cedar Creek.

The LLRP site seems much more isolated by 4-lane highways, heavy and light industry, trucking companies and a few suburban developments, but it is separated by only a few hundred meters of woods from a remnant containing some prairie plants. Also, the railroad track runs through and contains some prairie plants.

None of these possible colonization sources have yet been sampled for bee presence.

### Bee Species Richness and Forb Species Richness

Each forb species is a resource for bees: it can be used by specialists, if any are present, or by generalists. In reconstructions, addition of plant species which bloom at different times than those already present will increase the resources for long-lived generalists on that site.

The positive correlation between bee species number and forb species number for the study sites (Figure 4) appears to be based on two factors; more resources for specialist bees and increased resources early and late in the season for generalists.

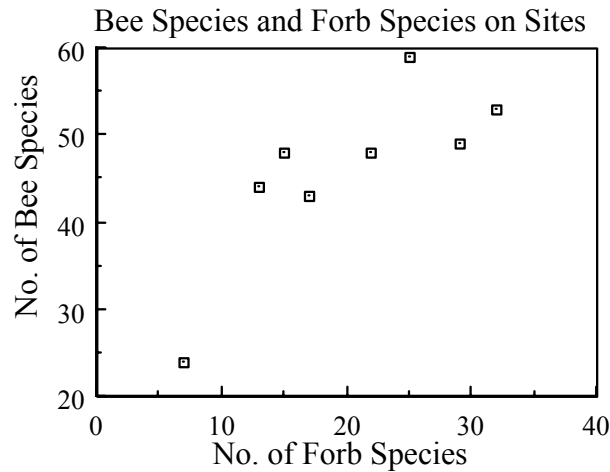
Species-by-species examination of collections from forbs shows that there are definite insect specialists which are not found on sites without their plants (eg Tetralonia and Osmia spp on Penstemon and Andrena helianthi on Helianthus). The Afton State Park site is rich in resources during the middle of the season, but is poor in generalist insects even then, probably due to the limited resources available for generalists early and late in the season.

Early season bees are found only on sites with early season plants; and the late season situation is similar. For example, CARP has high Andrenid species richness based on spring flowers, while AREM is low in Anthophorid species due to its lack of fall flowers (Table 4).

More analysis of these patterns could be done: some bee species show preferences without definite specialization. For example, Bombus griseocollis visits Ratibida pinnata whenever that plant is present on a site; on other sites, B. griseocollis visits other plants. Thus the effect that plant species diversity might have on B. griseocollis is not easily predictable.

A possible problem with the forbs species-bee species correlation is that both forb and bee species number are correlated with the number of collections made (the more forb species on a site, the more collections on that site). I am continuing to test this analysis by developing species-accumulation curves for plant species to determine whether collections are complete for certain species (collections range from one to 57 collections per plant). I am also developing a statistic to calculate the probability of an insect being found on a site where it is known to occur, based on the percent of collections in which it is found.

Figure 4.



### Keystone Plants

There were no obvious keystones in this study. Certain plants (eg Dalea purpurea ) supported many bee species, while others (eg Heliopsis helianthoides ) were rarely visited by bees; yet it does not appear that absence of any one of the most attractive plants would have a major effect on bee species diversity given the variety of alternative plants available to all but the most extreme specialists. Experimental work involving controlled planting will be needed to identify keystones, if any exist. The high plant species diversity of the presettlement prairie makes it seem unlikely that a single plant species could have exercised a dominant role in this way; but where plant species number is limited, as in species-poor reconstructions, plant choice may be important in allowing insect use.

### Other Bee Biology Factors

Bees are subject to many diseases and parasitic infections, including bacterial diseases and mites. Diseases of honeybees are being studied but much remains to be learned about diseases of wild bees.

There are also many bee species which are cleptoparasites on other bees; they move into a nest, kill the queen and lay eggs which the workers care for (parasites of social bees). Invasion by Psithyrus has been shown to have destroyed wild bumblebee colonies in Europe, and members of this genus are present on some sites here. Other parasitic bees include Coelioxys , which are parasitic on Megachilids, laying eggs in the stem-bored nests; it is not known whether these parasites control their host populations.

Predators on bees include ambush bugs and many wasps as well as

birds and some mammals (see below under Wasp discussion). Their effect on bee species richness differences among sites is hard to predict times.

## **Diptera**

The 521 flies collected represented 14 families; there were at least 72 species present; 67 species were identified, as shown. Some adult flies consume nectar and pollen, others are found in flowers as predators on other visitors, and some adults are apparently chance visitors to flowers. They do not feed their larvae.

Syrphidae made up the majority with 379 individuals in 29 species, followed by Bombyliidae with 67 individuals in 14 species and Tachinidae with 20 individuals in 8 species. Syrphid and bombyliid distribution among sites appears to be based on the presence of flowers at the time when the adults are active (generally late in the season for bombyliids). For the syrphids, proximity of larval habitats may be important in influencing their presence on sites. Most members of the Syrphinae prey on aphids as larvae; in general the Chrysogastrini larvae live in clean water, the Eristalini in dirty water, and the Milesiini in dung.

Bombyliid larvae are parasitic on immature stages of other insects, or parasitic on grasshopper eggs; very little is known of their life history.

Most Anthomyiids are plant feeders as larvae.

The calliphorid Bufolucilia sp is a screwworm which infests toads, frogs and salamanders, as a larva.

The Conopidae (thick-headed flies) have larvae which are parasitic on adult bumblebees and wasps; the adults oviposit on their hosts during flight. The adults feed at Compositae, Labiatae and Umbelliferae. Some members of the genus Zodion are parasitic on honeybees.

Dolichopodid adults are predatory on smaller insects; larvae vary.

Milichiidae larvae are found in decaying animal or plant materials; the adults are found in flowers where some species are commensals with predatory insects, riding on them and sucking the juices from their prey.

The Muscids in this collection are common farm flies.

Sarcophagidae adults feed on nectar, sap, fruit juices and honeydew, The larvae vary, including parasites of beetles, grasshoppers and vertebrates as well as cleptoparasites of bee and wasp nests.

Tabanidae adult males feed on pollen and nectar (females bite vertebrates). Most larvae are aquatic and predaceous.

Tachinid larvae are parasitic on other arthropods. The adults require daily sugar and are found on Aster and Solidago, though they prefer honeydew.

Tephritid larvae feed on living plant tissue.

Therevid larvae live in soil where they are voracious predators on earthworms and beetle larvae. The adults are not predaceous.

Fly phenology; I charted dates of first and last collections for the 17 species having 8 or more individuals collected. The majority of the species

were present for 8 weeks or more. There were no apparent patterns related to subfamilies. In general there were more flies late in the season.

Fly species richness on sites: ASP and AREM had few species, probably due to their lack of fall flowers.

Plants preferred by flies: nine of the 60 plant species had at least 2 flies per collection: Achillea millefolium, Aster lanceolata, Aster oolentangiensis, Aster sericeus, Berteroa incana, Cirsium arvense, Galium boreale, Potentilla recta and Rudbeckia hirta. These plants had 33% of the flies collected (172 of 521 flies), 12.6 % of the total insects collected (508 of 4002) and had 15 % of the total collections (79 of 525 collections). Seven of these plants had < 7.62 individuals/collection (7.62=the overall average insects/coll).

## **Wasps**

Wasps were found at all sites (see the species list in the Appendix).

Wasps are anatomically similar to bees and are closely related; taxonomically, bees and wasps do not form 2 distinct groups. Both bees and wasp adults visit flowers and consume nectar; bees collect pollen, while wasps supply insect prey to their larvae or are parasitoids. Since the wasps are predatory, we expect them to be fewer in number than bees, which are herbivores, on any site. Like bees, predatory wasps may be more or less specialized in the resources that they use.

Parasitoids in the collection include members of the Braconidae, Chrysididae and Pteromalidae.

Predatory wasps include the Pompilidae, which prey on spiders; Scoliidae and Tiphiidae whose larvae are external parasites of Scarabeid larvae in soil or debris, Vespids, which prey on caterpillars and Sphecids, which prey on a variety of insects. Those wasps known to prey on insect species collected from these sites include Bembix spp, which prey on syrphids; the Cercerinae, some of which prey on bees and wasps; Ectemnius lapidarius which preys on syrphids, including 4 of our species; Oxybelus preys on Thereva spp; the Philanthus species present on these sites prey on Halictids, including several of the species collected.

Wasp phenology based on collections: only 5 species had 8 or more individuals. Most were around during most of the season.

Attractive plants: plants having an average of 1 or more wasps per collection were Aster ericoides, Aster lanceolata, Cirsium arvense, Pycnanthemum virginianum, Solidago canadensis, Solidago nemoralis, Solidago speciosa, Solidago rigida and Zizia aurea. The mountain mint, P. virginianum, is especially noted for attracting many wasp species, and this



seems to hold true wherever this plant is growing.

## **Lepidoptera**

Not many butterflies and moths were collected; 125 individuals in 30 species. Many of the species collected are widespread and common, including the Monarch Danaus plexippus, Colias sp, Vanessa cardui, Speyeria aphrodite, and Alypia octomaculata (eight-spotted forester). Other leps are relatively restricted by their larval or adult food resources. The Hesperinae (grass skippers) feed on grasses or sedges as larvae, while many of the adults nectar on white, pink or purple flowers including many common prairie plants. Satyrrium edwardsii (scrub-oak hairstreak) larvae feed on oak leaf buds during the day; they spend the nights in litter chimneys built by ants. This species is found only on sites containing oaks (AREM and CC). The clearwing sphinx moths (Hemaris spp) visit Monarda fistulosa on our sites and are rarely seen on other plants.

Some Lepidoptera are visiting plants which are unattractive to bees (Verbena stricta and Heliopsis helianthoides); these could be further studied as potential pollinators.

Phenology: only 5 Lepidoptera species had 8 or more individuals (my minimum for phenology charting). Only Vanessa cardui was seen early in the season; the remaining species were first seen in early- to mid-July. Ciseps fulvicollis and Colias sp persisted into mid-September, while Satyrrium edwardsii and Atrytone delaware were not seen after early August.

Attractive plants: plants with an average of 0.5 or more leps per collection were: Rudbeckia hirta, Cirsium arvense, Verbena stricta, Liatris aspera, Liatris punctata, Aster sericeus, Phlox pilosa, Lithospermum canescens, Trifolium pratense, Solidago speciosa, and Aster ontarionis.

## **Attractiveness of Forbs to Insects**

Flower visitors for each plant species are listed in the appendix, based on collections. Goldenrod soldier beetles, honeybees, and Monarch butterflies were not collected, (except occasionally by mistake) and I attempted to minimize the collection of duplicate specimens on each sampling date, leading to over-representation of hard-to-identify and small insects in the collections. The mean number of insects collected per 15 minute sampling period was 7.6.

Plants with 7.0 or more insect species per collection (total species for all samples) were Aster oolentangiensis, Aster ericoides, Aster lanceolata, Agastache foeniculum, Lupinus perennis, Pycnanthemum virginianum, Penstemon grandiflorus, Allium canadense, Potentilla recta, Dalea purpurea,

Solidago canadensis, Sysirinchium campestre, Solidago nemoralis, Solidago speciosa, Solidago rigida, Cirsium discolor, and Zizia aurea.

Plants with 7.0 or more insects per 100 flowers or inflorescences based on counts (insects per flower or inflorescence including all species present) were Dalea purpurea, Melilotus alba, Liatris cylindracea, Aster oolentangiensis, Amorpha canescens, Pycnanthemum virginianum, Helianthus tuberosus, Liatris aspera, Verbena hastata, Aster lanceolata, Cirsium discolor, Helianthus rigidus, Solidago nemoralis, Solidago speciosa, Allium canadense, Vernonia fasciculata, Solidago rigida, and Solidago canadensis in 1991; 18 plant species out of 30 observed in 1991. In 1992 Liatris pycnostachya, Rubus occidentalis, Amorpha canescens, Grindelia squarrosa, Penstemon grandiflorus, Lupinus perennis, Helianthus tuberosus, Aster lanceolata, Solidago nemoralis, Cirsium discolor, Helianthus rigidus, Rosa blanda, Solidago canadensis, Solidago speciosa, and Solidago rigida had 7.0 or more individual insects per flower or inflorescence; 15 species out of 60 observed. Large flowers or inflorescences tended to have higher values than smaller inflorescences as the large ones had more space and probably more resources for insects.

### **Forbs and their Visitors**

Achillea millefolium had 10 collections yielding 7 bee species, mostly Halictids, 4 flies, 3 leps and 4 wasps for a total of 18 species. It's an early season, somewhat weedy, alien plant.

Agastache foeniculum is known as a good honeybee plant. It had 31 collections yielding 7 fly species and 28 bee species including 6 bumblebees and 15 Halictids. Sphinx moths and other lepidoptera visit this plant, and beetles are occasionally found in the flowers. This is a midseason plant, blooming from mid July to mid August; it is widely planted in reconstructions and found at lower densities on native sites.

Allium canadense is a small midseason plant. Four collections yielded 3 bumblebees and several small Halictids, Megachilids and Colletids. This plant is small and not very numerous on these sites; it is a resource for small bees, not large ones.

Amorpha canescens is a distinctive prairie plant more common on native sites than in reconstructions. Ten collections yielded 5 fly species, 3 wasps, 2 leps and 27 bee species representing all families; none of them appear to be specialists to Amorpha canescens or to legumes. An early to mid-season plant.

The Aster species are among the latest prairie plants to bloom, at a time when few other resources are available to flower visitors, and their disc-shaped flowers allow all insects access to pollen and nectar. Though they are widely visited, they may not be as important to insect reproduction

as plants which bloom earlier. Collections on asters yielded flies, wasps and many bee species, including several late-season Andrenids which are composite specialists, generalist Halictids, and Megachile sp.

One collection on Anemone canadensis yielded only one syrphid. This plant is uncommon on the study sites, and my impression is that it is rarely visited by insects anywhere I have seen it.

Aquilegia canadensis is a very early flower, and as such is a resource for early insects, especially bumblebee queens. It is more common on rocky bluffs than in the tallgrass prairie. One collection yielded one bumblebee and a few Halictids.

Baptisia leucantha is not common on my sites and I was unable to collect from it; I did observe bumblebees visiting. The flower shape makes nectar accessible to long-tongued bees only.

Berteroa incana is an alien weed which has invaded some of the reconstructions. Three collections yielded mainly syrphids.

Campanula rotundifolia is an early season flower especially in rocky areas, following Aquilegia canadensis. One collection yielded many small bees; I have also seen bumblebees visit this plant.

Chrysopsis villosa blooms mid-season. Five collections from this relatively uncommon plant yielded mainly syrphids and generalist Halictids.

Cirsium arvense is an alien weed invading the reconstruction at Carpenter Nature Center and blooming early in the season. Two collections yielded a few each of flies, wasps, bees and leps.

Cirsium discolor is a native thistle which blooms late in the season. It is a rich resource for bumblebees, Anthophorids (especially Melissodes sp) and Megachilids (especially Megachile latimanus). Nine collections. I found no wasps on this plant despite its late bloom.

Coreopsis palmata blooms early to mid-season at Crow Hassan Park Reserve. It is unusual to find an insect visitor on this plant.

Crepis tectorum is an alien weed blooming in the prairie restoration at Long Lake Regional Park during the early part of the season to mid-season. Five collections yielded mainly bumblebees and Halictids.

I observed no visitors on Dalea candida. In contrast, Dalea purpurea yielded 37 bee species in 19 collections, more bee species than any other plant species. All bee families were collected from this plant, including both rare and common species (though apparently no Dalea specialists), plus a few wasps and flies. I found no leps on Dalea purpurea. Dalea villosa was found only at Long Lake Regional Park: two collections yielded many bumblebees.

Delphinium virescens was visited only by bumblebees in the one collection I was able to make. This plant rarely grows in dense clusters and does not appear to be an important resource for bees on my site.

Insects rarely visited Desmodium canadense. Halictids, bumblebees and flies were found in the 4 collections made.

Erigeron strigosus, a weedy early season plant, received few visits. Three collections yielded flies and Halictids.

Galium boreale bloomed early at Point Douglas Cemetery. Two collections yielded mainly flies.

Grindelia squarrosa flowered early in the season at Long Lake Regional Park until mowed down. Two collections yielded 4 bee species and 2 flies.

Helianthus rigidus and H. tuberosus flowered late in the season. Thirty-four collections (total for both species) yielded composite specialist bees including late-season Andrena spp and Melissodes spp, as well as generalist bumblebees and Halictids. Flies also visited sunflowers, but relatively few wasps and leps were seen.

Heliopsis helianthoides was rarely visited by insects except for early season syrphids. Honeybees, bumblebees, Halictids and occasionally leps were found in 15 collections.

Liatris aspera, L. cylindracea, L. punctata and L. pycnostachya bloom near the end of the season. I made one collection on L. punctata and 10 collections on L. aspera. These plants support flies, generalist bees and leps (especially the common Ctenuchid Cisseps fulvicollis), but are not very attractive to wasps. I found no specialists. The Liatris species are attractive to Monarch butterflies.

Lithospermum carolinense is common and very showy at Cedar Creek, and L. incisum has recently been planted at Crow Hassan. They bloom early in the season while few other flowers are out, yet they receive very few visitors. Only 2 collections yielded any insects at all: 2 small bees and one skipper. In 1993 for the first time I saw bumblebees visiting this plant.

Lupinus perennis was not present on any of my native sites (though there are a few plants in other areas at Cedar Creek, and a lupine population will soon be restored there as larval food for the endangered Karner Blue butterfly), but it has been planted at Long Lake and at Crow Hassan. Lupine is among the first plants to bloom, starting a bit earlier than Penstemon grandiflorus; it supports early season Andrenids and Colletids and may be an important resource for queen bumblebees shortly after they emerge. I made only 2 collections on Lupinus perennis and look forward to more study on ways this plant competes for or shares pollinators with Penstemon grandiflorus. So far I haven't found any flower visitors which are lupine specialists.

The white and yellow sweetclovers, Melilotus alba and M. officinalis are alien weeds unwelcome in reserves and reconstructions, where they persistently invade roadsides, trail edges and other open areas. They do support a variety of generalist bumblebees and Halictids and a few wasps during their early blooming season. They also are visited by honeybees and are considered good nectar plants. I made 16 collections from sweetclovers, mainly from Crow Hassan.

One collection from Mirabilis nictaginea yielded 2 Halictids and a fly. This is not a common plant in the study sites.

Monarda fistulosa was the only plant found in all 8 study sites, and is a common plant in prairie remnants and roadsides in the southern part of the state. I made 57 collections from this plant, the earliest July 8, the latest August 14. Collections from Monarda fistulosa yielded 33 bee species including 9 bumblebees and 16 Halictids. One Halictid, Dufourea monardae is a Monarda fistulosa specialist; it is found only during the Monarda fistulosa blooming period and remains in diapause during the rest of the year. Honeybees were rarely seen. Ten fly species, five wasp species and 12 leps also visited this plant. The lovely sphinx moths Hemaris thysbe and H. diffinis are found primarily on Monarda fistulosa; I very rarely observed them on any other plant, although they were found at all 8 sites. This plant is definitely a very important resource for bees and other visitors on the mid-season prairie.

Nepeta cataria (catnip) is an alien mint blooming early to mid-season at the Afton Remnant and Lost Valley. Six collections yielded mainly bumblebees and generalist Halictids. Honeybees also visited catnip.

Penstemon grandiflorus is relatively uncommon in central Minnesota, the northeastern edge of its range, and is of special interest due to its rarity and beauty. It is among the earliest prairie forbs to bloom, usually during the first two weeks of June, so it is a resource for queen bumblebees when they come out of diapause. Fourteen collections yielded 27 bee species, including 4 that seem to be Penstemon grandiflorus specialists on my sites. Bumblebees and hornets rob nectar by biting into the base of the corolla and removing nectar without entering the flower. Hummingbirds visit Penstemon grandiflorus.

Phlox pilosa is abundant at some sites but is rarely visited by insects. Only 4 collections yielded any insects at all: these were mainly the skipper Atrytone delaware. Although it blooms early in the season, Phlox pilosa does not seem to be an important resource for flower visitors. Current research by Hendrix et al. (1993) in Iowa indicates that this plant is not being pollinated adequately in small prairie remnants and is suffering from reduced seed set.

Potentilla arguta is widespread but sparse in the study areas. Two collections yielded small bees and Syrphids.

Potentilla recta flowered early to mid-season at Afton State Park and Carpenter Nature Center. Three collections yielded mainly common Syrphids and Halictids.

Pycnanthemum virginianum (mountain mint) is common on the native sites but found in only one reconstruction (Long Lake). Although this plant is relatively small and inconspicuous, its flowers are very attractive to flies, bees, leps and especially to wasps. Twenty-six collections yielded 30 bee species including some rare ones, and 31 wasp species, or almost half the wasp species collected during the entire study. Pycnanthemum virginianum flowers during the middle of the prairie season.

Ratibida pinnata is common in native prairies and widely planted in reconstructions. It is visited by Goldenrod Soldier Beetles (Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus), common Syrphids, common Halictids, the Composite specialist Andrena rudbeckiae, the Anthophorids Melissodes subillata and M. trinodis and Svastra obliqua obliqua. The bumblebee Bombus griseocollis visits other plants but prefers Ratibida pinnata; conversely, B. griseocollis made up 97% of the bumblebees collected from this plant. Six wasp species were collected. There were 30 collections during Ratibida pinnata's midseason blooming period; it flowers at the same time as Monarda fistulosa and Agastache foeniculum.

Rosa blanda and other prairie wild roses, are scattered on most of the sites. Their flowers usually shatter by noon on sunny days; I was able to make 4 collections containing mainly small bees, especially the Colletid Hylaeus affinis. Syrphids, Halictids and the occasional bumblebee also visited Rosa. Roses bloom early to mid-season.

Rudbeckia hirta is an easy to grow, showy wildflower planted in all the prairie reconstructions, frequently in large numbers; it blooms early to mid-season. It is not very attractive to flower visitors: 30 collections yielded only 140 individuals including 16 bee species. Visitors were mainly Syrphids and generalist bees, especially Halictids. The Edwards Hairstreak Satyrrium edwardsii visited Rudbeckia hirta at Cedar Creek.

Rubus occidentalis (black raspberry) is found in low numbers early in the season. I made one collection which contained 4 small bee species. Honeybees were also very numerous on this plant.

Goldenrods are the most common late-season flowers on the study sites, and their flat flowers make nectar and pollen accessible to all types of flower visitors. The flower structure also makes them arenas for aggregation and mating by Goldenrod Soldier Beetles and other beetles, and the flowers are stalking areas for crab spiders, ambush bugs and assassin bugs which prey on other flower visitors. Bee visitors include generalist Halictids and bumblebees, and late-season Asteraceae specialists such as Andrena asteris, A. hirticincta, A. nubecula, A. placata, A. simplex, Melissodes and Megachile species. Honeybees visit goldenrods as do many wasps; Solidago canadensis had an especially large number of wasp visitors, including the common

wasps Polistes fuscatus and Myzine quinquecincta. Solidago canadensis is widespread in roadsides and waste areas, so it may serve as a source of insects to colonize prairie reconstructions when these are planted.

Sysirinchium campestre, the blue-eyed grass, is an early, small and ephemeral flower. It is found in sparse populations on most of the sites: one collection yielded small bees and a Syrphid.

Stachys palustris and Teucrium canadense, hedge nettle, were found at Carpenter Nature Center and Cedar Creek during the early to mid-season. Four collections yielded mainly bumblebees and the large Anthophorid Anthophora furcata terminalis (Cedar Creek only).

The alien red clover, Trifolium pratense, was planted at Carpenter Nature Center and the Lost Valley agricultural area as a cover for areas awaiting planting. One collection yielded Bombus bimaculatus and the painted lady butterfly Vanessa cardui.

The blue vervain, Verbena hastata flowered in mid to late July at Afton State Park, in the remnant and the reconstruction. It was visited mainly by bumblebees and Halictids. The hoary vervain, Verbena stricta was unusual among prairie plants in receiving many visits from honeybees, while surrounding plants in bloom at the same time received virtually no honeybee visits. A few leps and bumblebees also visited Verbena stricta.

The one very large Vernonia fasciculata at Lost Valley was visited by 7 bee species on the one day I was able to collect. The short blooming season of this plant may limit its value as a resource for insect visitors.

One collection from Vicia americana at Point Douglas Cemetery yielded small bees and a bumblebee.

Zizia aurea blooms very early in the season. Eight collections yielded many early Andrenids including the reputed Zizia specialist Andrena ziziae. The small flowers of this plant did not attract bumblebees (only the large queens are out at this time), but some small wasps visited Zizia aurea.

## Conclusions

1. Insect densities are comparable on reconstructed prairies and native sites on an insects per flower basis. This indicates that insects are able to colonize, or at least visit, reconstructions and presumably pollinate the flowers on them at a rate which is probably not significantly lower than that observed in native prairies. Though it appears that all of the native plant species which were common enough for me to study were receiving at least occasional insect visits in all the sites where they occurred, some forbs

received very few visits.

2. Insect species richness is slightly higher on native sites overall than on reconstructions. Sites varied in species richness; of the eight sites, those with the highest and lowest species richness values were reconstructions.

2. Bee species richness is comparable on reconstructed sites overall to native sites overall. All sites supported specialists and generalists; generalists, especially bumblebees, may make up a greater proportion of the bee community on reconstructions than on native sites. Many bee species were strongly seasonal. Many plant species and plant families were visited by specialists as well as generalists.

3. Bee species richness on sites is related to flower species richness, not related to site area, and not related to resource levels in terms of number of flowers.

4. It was not possible to test age of reconstruction, distance from sources of colonists, or the possible effects of predation, parasitism, disease and nesting site availability on insect species richness.

5. Bee distribution is patchy: many species are restricted to only one site, and the majority of species were found on only a few sites. Only 6 of the 125 bee species were found on all 8 sites.

## **Recommendations Management**

Even small prairie remnants should be preserved as insect conservation sites to preserve the unique insect species on them. Likewise, prairie reconstructions, even if small, can provide habitat for a wide variety of flower visiting insects. Reconstructions show relatively high insect species richness, but cannot replace the remnants as overall reconstructions contain fewer unique species. Bees are highly mobile and may use other areas in addition to the sites on which they are found; their conservation requires landscape-level considerations.

To enhance the value of prairie reconstructions as insect conservation sites, managers should plant a variety of forb species, including mints, legumes, and composites. Plants should be selected for bloom throughout the season. Early season plants which support queen bumblebees such as columbines and lupines, and Penstemon grandiflorus where it can be grown, are valuable; so are the asters and goldenrods late in the summer. Plants which are especially attractive to insects include Monarda fistulosa for bees



and sphinx moths, Pycnanthemum virginianum for wasps, Agastache foeniculum, Dalea purpurea and D. villosa for bees.

Sunflowers (Helianthus spp) are visited by interesting late season bees. The Liatris species are attractive to butterflies as they pass through. The widely planted Rudbeckia hirta (blackeyed Susan) and Heliopsis helianthoides (oxeye), though attractive to human beings, are not of particular value for insect conservation.

Insect visitation of prairie plants in our area appears to be adequate for pollination, with some exceptions noted above. There is no reason to import honeybees for native plant pollination as these bees do not visit native plants frequently.

### **Further Research**

The present study has answered some questions regarding flower visitors to prairie plants, and has raised other questions. Plants are being visited in reconstructed prairies, but are the visitors effective pollinators of these plants? Are forbs which receive only rare visits capable of self-pollination, or are they suffering from reduced seed set and inadequate outcrossing due to the absence of their former pollinators?

Are our sites adequate to conserve bees, or are these insects also dependent on other areas which lie outside protected sites? Is the patchiness of bee distributions a normal feature of their population biology, or is this patchiness due to habitat fragmentation?

Species richness on native sites and reconstructions over all was comparable within the limits of this study. Is this an encouraging result, ie does this indicate that bee species are being conserved on reconstructions? Similar species richness on native prairie and reconstructed prairie could occur in 2 ways:

1. Bee species are so highly mobile and generally well-adapted that they have been able to persist on fragmented sites and colonize new sites; or,
2. The native prairies have lost many species during the course of prairie destruction and fragmentation over the past century, and the remaining species are only a fraction of the pre-settlement bee community.

At present I do not have the information to decide to what extent each of these possibilities may be correct. The prairie is considered to be a rather species-poor bee habitat due to its short geological life (approximately 10,000 years since the last glaciation; Lehmkuhl 1980). After the prairie's formation it was colonized by plants and animals from the southeast--presumably a relatively highly mobile sample of the organisms which lived in those habitats. To develop some model or picture of the presettlement prairie one can look for old records and/or compare insect species richness

on less disturbed areas which are not so fragmented.

Several insect-insect interactions are of interest for further study, including the lack of invasion of the prairie by honeybees and the tendency for bumblebees to be more dense on reconstructions than in native prairie. The more general ecological questions regarding the interactions of plants and their pollinators which allow or prevent high pollinator diversity on sites (especially the relationships between insect generalists and specialists) could also be studied more, both by further analysis of the data already collected and by manipulative projects based on such analysis.

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Voucher specimens are currently in the author's collection and will soon be deposited in the University of Minnesota Insect Museum and Herbarium.

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## Appendix

### Insect Species Lists

#### Bees

##### Anthophoridae

Anthophora furcata terminalis Cres.  
Ceratina calcarata  
Epeolus scutellaris Say  
Melissodes agilis Cresson  
Melissodes bimaculata bimaculata (Lep.)  
Melissodes dentiventris Smith  
Melissodes desponsa F. Smith  
Melissodes gelida LaBerge  
Melissodes illata Lovell  
Melissodes rustica (Say)  
Melissodes subillata LaBerge  
Melissodes trinodis Robertson  
Nomada spp.  
Svastra obliqua obliqua  
Tetralonia dubitata Cres.  
Tetralonia hamata Bradley  
Triepeolus spp

##### Andrenidae

Andrena asteris Robertson  
Andrena carlini  
Andrena commoda  
Andrena crataegi  
Andrena cressonii  
Andrena erythrogaster  
Andrena helianthi Robertson  
Andrena hirticineta Provancher  
Andrena miranda  
Andrena nubecula Smith  
Andrena placata Mitchell  
Andrena rudbeckiae Robertson  
Andrena simplex Smith  
Andrena virginiana  
Andrena wilkella  
Andrena wilmattae  
Andrena ziziae  
Heterosarus parvus  
Perdita albipennis palidipennis  
Perdita perpalpis citronellis

Perdita swenki  
Protandrena bancrofti Dunning  
Pterosarus albitarsus  
Pterosarus nebracensis

#### Apidae

Apis mellifera  
Bombus affinis Cresson  
Bombus auricomus (Robertson)  
Bombus bimaculatus Cresson  
Bombus borealis Kirby  
Bombus fervidus (Fabricius)  
Bombus griseocollis (Degeer)  
Bombus impatiens Cresson  
Bombus pennsylvanicus (Degeer)  
Bombus perplexus  
Bombus ternarius  
Bombus terricola Kirby  
Bombus vagans Smith  
Psithyrus ashtoni (Cresson)  
Psithyrus citrinus (Smith)

#### Halictidae

Agapostemon sericeus (Forster)  
Agapostemon splendens (Lepeletier)  
Agapostemon texanus Cresson  
Agapostemon virescens (Fabricius)  
Augochlora pura (Say)  
Augochlorella striata (Provancher)  
Augochloropsis metallica (Fabricius)  
Dialictus albipennis (Robertson)  
Dialictus anomalus (Robertson)  
Dialictus coeruleus  
Dialictus cressonii (Robertson)  
Dialictus heterognathus Mitchell  
Dialictus illinoensis (Robertson)  
Dialictus imitatus (Smith)  
Dialictus lineatulus (Crawford)  
Dialictus near rowheri  
Dialictus nymphaeorum (Robertson)  
Dialictus near paramirandus Knerer and Atwood  
Dialictus perpunctatus (Ellis)  
Dialictus pictus (Crawford)  
Dialictus pilosus (Smith)

Dialictus pruinus (Robertson)  
Dialictus rowheri (Ellis)  
Dialictus supraclypeatus Mitchell  
Dialictus tegularis (Robertson)  
Dialictus vierecki (Crawford)  
Dialictus zephyrus (Smith)  
Dialictus spp.  
Dufourea monardae (Viereck)  
Evylaeus cinctipes (Provancher)  
Evylaeus pectoralis (Smith)  
Evylaeus truncatus (Robertson)  
Halictus confusus Smith  
Halictus ligatus Say  
Halictus parallelus Say  
Halictus rubicundus (Christ)  
Lasioglossum acuminatum McGinley  
Lasioglossum athabascense (Sandhouse)  
Lasioglossum coriaceum (Smith)  
Lasioglossum leucozonium (Schrank)  
Lasioglossum paraforbesii McGinley  
Sphecodes spp

#### Megachilidae

Anthidium psoraleae  
Coelioxys alternata  
Coelioxys modesta  
C. octodentata  
C. rufitarsus  
Heriades carinata  
Hoplitis cylindrica  
Hoplitis pilosifrons  
Hoplitis producta  
Megachile brevis  
M. gemula  
M. latimanus  
M. mendica  
M. montivaga  
M. pugnata  
M. relativa  
Megachile sp.  
Osmia distincta  
Osmia simillima

#### Colletidae



Colletes aberrans  
Colletes americanus  
Colletes brevicornis  
Colletes kincaidii  
Colletes mandibularis  
Colletes robertsoni D. T.  
Colletes simulans armatus  
Colletes susannae  
Colletes willmattae  
Hylaeus affinis  
Hylaeus illinoensis  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni (=H. m. m.)  
Hylaeus modestus  
Hylaeus verticalis

## Diptera

### Anthomyiidae

Hylemya sp

### Bombyliidae

Anastoechus sp  
Chrysanthrax sp  
Exoprosopa caliptera  
Exoprosopa dorcadion  
Exoprosopa sp  
Hemipenthes sinuosa  
Lepidophora sp  
Paravilla sp  
Phthiria sp  
Poecilanthrax sp  
Sparnopolius sp  
Systoechus sp  
Villa sp1  
Villa sp2

### Calliphoridae

Bufolucilia sp

### Conopidae

Physocephala tibialis  
Physoconops brachyrhynchus  
Physoconops obscuripennis  
Thecophora sp  
Zodion sp1

Zodion sp2

Dolichopodidae

? genus

Milichiidae

Eusiphona sp

Muscidae

? genus

Musca autumnalis

Stomoxys calcitrans

Sarcophagidae

? genera and species

Stratiomyidae

Hedriodiscus vertebratus

Odontomia pubescens

Stratiomys obesus

Syrphidae

Subfamily Syrphinae

Tribe Syrphini

Allograpta obliqua

Metasyrphus sp

Sphaerophoria contigua

Sphaerophoria sp

Syrphus sp

Toxomerus germinatus

Toxomerus marginatus

Tribe Melanostomatini

Platycheirus sp

Tribe Chryotoxini

Chrysotoxum sp

Tribe Pipizini

Neocnemodon sp

Subfamily Eristalinae (=Milesiinae)

Tribe Chrysogastrini

Orthonevra sp

Tribe Milesiini

Spilomyia quadrifasciata

Syrphoctonus pipiens

Tropidia sp  
Tribe Eristalini  
Epistrophella emarginata (?)  
Eristalis arbustorum  
Eristalis bardus  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Eristalis tenax  
Eristalis transversus  
Eristalis sp1  
Eristalis sp2  
Helophilus fasciatus  
Helophilus latifrons  
Lejops stipatus  
Mallota bautias  
Parhelophilus laetus  
Parhelophilus sp

Tabanidae  
Chrysops sp

Tachinidae  
Archytas sp  
Cylindromyia binotata  
Dinera sp  
Gymnoclytia sp1  
Gymnoclytia sp2  
Leucostoma sp  
Ptilodexia incerta  
Ptilodexia sp  
? genus

Tephritidae  
Orellia ruficauda

Therevidae  
? genus

Wasps  
Superfamily Ichneumonoidea  
Braconidae  
Cardochiles sp

Chelonus sericeus  
 Rogas terminalis  
 Ichneumonidae  
   Ceratogastra ornata Say  
   Exetastes angustoralis  
 Superfamily Chalcidoidea  
   Pteromalidae  
     Perilampus hyalinus  
 Superfamily Chrysoidea  
   Chrysididae  
     Ceratochrysis kansensis  
 Superfamily Sphecoidea  
   Sphecidae  
     Subfamily Ammophilinae  
       Ammophila urnaria  
       Podalonia mickeli  
     Subfamily Crabronidae/Oxybelini  
       Ectemnius continuus  
       Ectemnius lapidarius (Panzer)  
       Ectemnius maculatus (=singularis)  
       Ectemnius sp.  
       Oxybelus sublatus Robertson  
     Subfamily Crabronidae/Crabronini  
       Anacrabro ocellatus  
     Subfamily Larridae/Larrinae  
       Tachytes crassus  
       Tachytes pennsylvanicus  
     Subfamily Nyssonidae/Bembicinae  
       Bembix belfragei  
       Bembix sayi  
       Bembix americana spinolae  
       Bicyrtes quadrifasciata  
       Bicyrtes ventralis  
     Subfamily Nyssonidae/Gorytinae  
     Subfamily Philanthidae/Cercerinae  
       Cerceris clypeata  
       Cerceris deserta (now includes C. fulvipedicula)  
       Cerceris nigrescens  
       Cerceris sp 1  
       Cerceris sp 2  
       Cerceris sp 3  
       Cerceris sp 4  
       Cerceris sp 5  
     Subfamily Philanthidae/Philanthinae

Philanthus bilunatus  
Philanthus gibbosus  
Philanthus politus  
Philanthus sanbornii  
Philanthus ventilabris  
Subfamily Sphecinae  
Chlorion attratum (not in Krombein)  
Spheg ichneumoneus  
Spheg pennsylvanicus  
Spheg aureonotatus (not in Krombein)

Superfamily Tiphioidea

Tiphiidae

Tiphiinae  
Myzinum maculatum  
Myzinum quinquecincta  
Paratiphia texana Cameron

Superfamily Pompiloidea

Pompilidae

Anoplius Anoplius illinoensis (Robertson)  
Anoplius Pompilinus marginatus (Say)  
Anoplius sp  
Episyron biguttatus biguttatus (Fab)

Superfamily Scoliidea

Scoliidae

Campsomeris plumipes confluenta  
Campsomeris ephippium  
Scolia bicincta

Superfamily Vespoidea

Eumenidae

Subfamily Eumeninae  
Ancistocerus catskill (3 subspecies in Krombein)  
Ancistocerus catskill albophaleratus  
Ancistocerus antilope antilope  
Ancistocerus adiabatus adiabatus  
Eumenes crucifera nearcticus  
Eumenes fraternus  
Euodynerus foraminatus foraminatus  
Parancistroceras vagus vagus (Saussure)

Vespidae

Subfamily Polistinae  
Polistes fuscatus  
Subfamily Vespinae  
Vespula arenaria  
Vespula maculata  
Vespula vidua

Lepidoptera

Pyraloidea

Pyralidae

? genus

Phylctanodes sp?

Hesperioidea

Hesperiidae

Hesperiinae

Atrytone delaware

Euphyes conspicua

Euphyes vestris

Hesperia leonardus

Hesperia pawnee

Polites coras (=peckias)

Polites origines

Polites themistoclas

Wallengrenia egeremet

Pyrginae

Epargyreus clarus

Thorybes pylades

Papilionoidea

Pieridae

Coliadinae

Colias sp.

Lycaenidae

Lycaeninae

Polyommataini

Celastrina argiolus

Theclini

Satyrium edwardsii

Callophrys gryneus g.

Harkenclenus titus

Nymphalidae

Nymphalinae

Phyciodes tharos

Nymphalini  
     Nymphalis milberti  
     Vanessa cardui  
 Argynnini  
     Speyeria aphrodite  
     Speyeria cybele  
 Satyrinae  
     Cercyonis pegala  
 Apaturinae  
     Asterocampa celtis  
 Danainae  
     Danaus plexippus  
 Sphingoidea  
     Sphingidae  
         Hemaris diffinis  
         Hemaris thysbe  
 Noctuoidea  
     Noctuidae  
         Heliothinae  
             Alypia octomaculata  
             ? genus  
     Arctiidae  
         Ctenuchidae  
             Ctenuchinae  
                 Cisseps fulvicollis

## Plants

<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>Common Name</u>
Achillea millefolium*	Yarrow
Agastache foeniculum	Anise Hyssop
Allium canadense	Prairie Onion
Amorpha canescens	Leadplant
Aster ericoides	Heath Aster
Aster lanceolata	
Aster oolentangiensis	Sky-Blue Aster
Aster ontarionis	
Aster sericeus	Silky Aster
Anemone canadensis	Canada Anemone
Aquilegia canadensis	Wild Columbine
Baptisia leucantha	White Indigo
Berteroa incana*	Hoary Alyssum
Campanula rotundifolia	Harebell

<i>Chrysopsis</i> (= <i>Heterotheca</i> ) <i>villosa</i>	Golden Aster
<i>Cirsium arvense</i> *	Canada Thistle
<i>Cirsium discolor</i>	Field Thistle
<i>Coreopsis palmata</i>	Prairie Coreopsis; Tickseed
<i>Crepis tectorum</i> *	Narrow-leaved Hawksbeard
<i>Dalea candida</i>	White Prairie Clover
<i>Dalea</i> (= <i>Petalostemon</i> ) <i>purpurea</i>	Purple Prairie Clover
<i>Dalea villosa</i>	Silky Prairie Clover
<i>Delphinium virescens</i>	Prairie Larkspur
<i>Desmodium canadense</i>	Showy Tick-trefoil
<i>Erigeron strigosus</i>	Daisy Fleabane
<i>Galium boreale</i>	Bedstraw
<i>Grindelia squarrosa</i>	Gumweed
<i>Helianthus rigidus</i>	Stiff Sunflower
<i>Helianthus tuberosus</i>	Jerusalem Artichoke
<i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i>	Oxeye
<i>Liatris aspera</i>	Rough Blazing Star
<i>Liatris cylindracea</i>	Cylindric Blazing Star
<i>Liatris punctata</i>	Dotted Blazing Star
<i>Liatris pycnostachya</i>	Prairie Blazing Star
<i>Lithospermum carolinense</i>	Hoary Puccoon
<i>Lithospermum incisum</i>	Narrow-leaved Puccoon
<i>Lupinus perennis</i>	Lupine
<i>Melilotus alba</i> *	White Sweetclover
<i>Melilotus officinalis</i> *	Yellow Sweetclover
<i>Mirabilis nyctaginea</i>	Four O'clock
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Beebalm, Horsemint, Bergamot
<i>Nepeta cataria</i> *	Catnip
<i>Penstemon grandiflorus</i>	Large-flowered Beardtongue
<i>Phlox pilosa</i>	Prairie Phlox
<i>Potentilla recta</i> *	Rough-fruited Cinquefoil
<i>Potentilla arguta</i>	Tall Cinquefoil
<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>	Mountain Mint
<i>Ratibida pinnata</i>	Gray-headed Coneflower
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Blackeyed Susan
<i>Rubus occidentalis</i>	Black Raspberry
<i>Rosa blanda</i>	Prairie Rose
<i>Solidago canadensis</i>	Canada goldenrod
<i>Solidago nemoralis</i>	Grey Goldenrod
<i>Solidago rigida</i>	Stiff Goldenrod
<i>Solidago speciosa</i>	Showy Goldenrod
<i>Sysirinchium campestre</i>	Blue-eyed Grass
<i>Stachys palustris</i>	Hedge Nettle
<i>Teucrium canadense</i>	Germander, Wood-sage



Trifolium pratense*	Red Clover
Verbena hastata	Blue Vervain
Verbena stricta	Hoary Vervain
Vernonia fasciculata	Ironweed
Vicia americana	Purple Vetch
Zizia aurea	Golden Alexanders

\* Alien species

Identifications confirmed by Anita Cholewa, University of Minnesota; nomenclature follows Flora of the Great Plains 1986. Only plants which had at least 100 flowers or inflorescences on at least one sampling date are included.

### **Flower-Visiting Insects, by Plant Species**

*Achillea millefolium* (10 collections; 39 individuals; 18 species)

Agapostemon texanus  
 Agapostemon virescens  
 Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
 Dialictus perpunctatus  
 Dialictus pilosus  
 Ectemnius continuus  
 Eristalis bardus  
 Euphyes vestris  
 Evylaeus pectoralis  
 Halictus confusus  
 Halictus ligatus  
 Oxybelus subblatus Robertson  
 Perilampus hyalinus (Say)  
 Philanthus politus  
 Phyciodes tharos  
 Satyrium edwardsii  
 Stratiomys obesus  
 Toxomerus marginatus

*Agastache foeniculum* (31 collections; 228 individuals; 48 spp)

Allograpta obliqua  
 Anthidium psoraleae  
 Apis mellifera  
 Augochlorella striata  
 Bombus affinis  
 Bombus bimaculatus  
 Bombus fervidus  
 Bombus griseocollis  
 Bombus impatiens  
 Bombus vagans  
 Celastrina argiotus  
 Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
 Cercyonis pegala  
 Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus

Cisseps fulvicollis  
Dialictus albipennis  
Dialictus cressonii  
Dialictus heterognathus  
Dialictus illinoensis  
Dialictus imitatus  
Dialictus n laevissimus  
Dialictus near rowheri  
Dialictus pictus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus pruinosis  
Dialictus rowheri  
Dialictus sp  
Dialictus tegularis  
Dialictus zephyrus  
Dufourea monardae  
Epargyreus clarus  
Epicauta pennsylvanica  
Exoprosopa sp  
Halictus rubicundus  
Hemaris diffinis  
Heriades carinatus  
Hylaeus affinis  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Hylaeus modestus  
Lasioglossum paraforbesii  
Megachile latimanus  
Orthonevre sp  
Perilampus hyalinus (Say)  
Sphaerophoria contigua  
Syrphus sp  
Systoechus sp  
Thorybes pylades  
Toxomerus marginatus  
Vanessa cardui

Allium canadense (4 collections; 28 individuals; 13 species)

Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus vagans  
Chrysotoxum sp  
Colletes kincaidii  
Colletes robertsoni  
Dialictus pilosus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Heriades carinatus  
Hylaeus affinis  
Lasioglossum athabascense  
Megachile relativa  
Toxomerus germinatus

Amorpha canescens (10 collections; 106 individuals; 41 species)

Andrena commoda  
Andrena helianthi  
Andrena miranda  
Andrena virginiana  
Augochlorella striata  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus bimaculatus

Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus ternarius  
Bombus vagans  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Cerceris sp 2  
Chrysops sp  
Cisseps fulvicollis  
Dialictus anomalus  
Dialictus heterognathus  
Dialictus illinoensis  
Dialictus imitatus  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus n laevissimus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus sp  
Dialictus tegularis  
Eristalis latifrons  
Evylaeus cinctipes  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus rubicundus  
Heterosarus parvus  
Hoplitis cylindrica  
Hylaeus affinis  
Lasioglossum coriaceum  
Megachile latimanus  
Megachile mendica  
Philanthus sanbornii  
Physocephala tibialis  
Polalonia mickeli Murray  
Polistes fuscatus  
Satyrium edwardsii  
Sphaerophoria sp  
Systoechus sp  
Thecophora sp  
Toxomerus marginatus

Anemone canadensis (1 collection; 1 individual; 1 species)  
Toxomerus marginatus

Aquilegia canadensis (1 collection; 4 individuals; 3 species)  
Bombus fervidus  
Dialictus cressonii  
Dialictus sp

Aster ericoides (11 collections; 114 individuals; 46 species)  
Agapostemon sericeus  
Agapostemon virescens  
Ancistocerus tigris  
Andrena asteris  
Andrena hirticincta  
Andrena nubecula  
Andrena placata  
Andrena simplex  
Andrena ziziae  
Apis mellifera  
Archytas sp  
Augochlorella striata  
Augochloropsis metallica

Bombus impatiens  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Cerceris fulvipediculata  
Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus  
Chlorion attratum  
Colletes americanus  
Colletes simulans armatus  
Diabrotica sp  
Dialictus anomalus  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus rowheri  
Dialictus sp  
Episyron biguttatus b. (Fab)  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Exetastes angustoralis  
Gymnoclytia sp1  
Halictus ligatus  
Halictus parallelus  
Helophilus fasciatus  
Helophilus latifrons  
Hylaeus affinis  
Hyleaus mesillae mesillae  
Lasioglossum acuminatum  
Leucostoma sp  
Megachile latimanus  
Melissodes rustica  
Polistes fuscatus  
Sphaerophoria contigua  
Syrpitta pipiens  
Syrphus sp  
Toxomerus marginatus

Aster lanceolata (5 collections; 54 individuals; 25 species)

Agapostemon splendens  
Agapostemon texanus  
Agapostemon virescens  
Ancistocerus tigris  
Andrena asteris  
Andrena hirticincta  
Andrena simplex  
Archytas sp  
Augochlorella striata  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus vagans  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Colias sp.  
Dialictus pilosus  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Eristalis sp2  
Halictus ligatus  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Lasioglossum paraforbesii  
Megachile relativa  
Melissodes subillata

Polistes fuscatus  
Sphecodes spp  
Toxomerus marginatus

Aster ontarionis (3 collections; 20 individuals; 13 species)

Agapostemon sericeus  
Agapostemon virescens  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus vagans  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Colias sp.  
Helophilus fasciatus  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Megachile brevis  
Megachile latimanus  
Melissodes dentiventris  
Metasyrphus sp  
Nymphalis milberti

Aster oolentangiensis (20 collections; 178 individuals; 57 species)

Agapostemon sericeus  
Agapostemon texanus  
Agapostemon virescens  
Ancistocerus tigris  
Andrena asteris  
Andrena hirticineta  
Andrena nubecula  
Andrena simplex  
Archytas sp  
Augochlorella striata  
Augochloropsis metallica  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus fervidus  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus vagans  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Cisseps fulvicollis  
Coelioxys rufitarsus  
Colias sp.  
Colletes simulans armatus  
Diabrotica sp  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus pruinosus  
Dialictus rowheri  
Dialictus vierecki  
Epicauta pennsylvanica  
Epistrophella emarginata  
Eristalis arbustorum  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Eristalis tenax  
Eristalis transversus  
Evylaeus pectoralis  
Exoprosopa caliptera  
Formicinae ?genus  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus ligatus  
Helophilus fasciatus

Helophilus latifrons  
Lasioglossum sp  
Luperaltica fuscata  
Megachile latimanus  
Megachile relativa  
Melissodes dentiventris  
Melissodes rustica  
Melissodes subillata  
Metasyrphus sp  
Pterosarus nebrascensis  
Sparnopolius sp  
Sphaerophoria sp  
Svastra obliqua obliqua  
Syrphus sp  
Zodion sp2

Aster sericeus (4 collections; 27 individuals; 17 species)

Agapostemon sericeus  
Agapostemon texanus  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus vagans  
Coelioxys rufitarsus  
Colias sp.  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Exetastes angustoralis  
Helophilus latifrons  
Lasioglossum leucozonium  
Lejops stipatus  
Megachile latimanus  
Megachile relativa  
Melissodes dentiventris  
Syrphus sp  
Systoechus sp

Berteroa incana (3 collections; 18 individuals; 13 species)

Bombus terricola  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Eristalis transversus  
Helophilus fasciatus  
Lejops stipatus  
Megachile latimanus  
Metasyrphus sp  
Orhonevra sp  
Parhelophilus laetus  
Parhelophilus sp  
Philanthus politus

Campanula rotundifolia (1 collection; 6 individuals; 4 species)

Augochlorella striata  
Colletes brevicornis  
Megachile latimanus  
Toxomerus marginatus

Chrysopsis villosa (5 collections; 27 individuals; 12 species)

Bombus fervidus

Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Dialictus pilosus  
Eristalis transversus  
Megachile latimanus  
Melissodes illata  
Myzine quinquecincta  
Systoechus sp  
Toxomerus marginatus  
Vanessa cardui  
Villa sp1

Cirsium arvense (2 collections; 10 individuals; 8 species)

Agapostemon virescens  
Andrena commoda  
Atrytone delaware  
Cerceris sp 3  
Cerceris sp 4  
Hylemya  
Stomoxys calcitrans  
Toxomerus marginatus

Cirsium discolor (9 collections; 83 individuals; 21 species)

Anthophora furcata terminalis  
Bombus auricomus  
Bombus fervidus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus pennsylvanicus  
Bombus vagans  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus rowheri  
Dialictus zephyrus  
Epistrophella emarginata  
Hesperia pawnee  
Hylaeus sp  
Megachile latimanus  
Megachile relativa  
Melissodes agilis  
Melissodes desponsa  
Svastra obliqua obliqua  
Temelucha ferruginea  
Toxomerus marginatus

Coreopsis palmata (3 collections; 5 individuals; 4 species)

Agapostemon texanus  
Bembix spinolae  
Cerceris sp 1  
Toxomerus marginatus

Crepis tectorum (5 collections; 20 individuals; 8 species)

Bombus affinis  
Bombus fervidus  
Bombus impatiens  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus pilosus

Dialictus sp  
Lejops stipatus  
Megachile latimanus  
Megachile relativa

Dalea (Petalostemon) purpurea (19 collections; 209 individuals; 53 species)

Agapostemon sericeus  
Agapostemon splendens  
Agapostemon texanus  
Agapostemon virescens  
Andrena commoda  
Augochlorella striata  
Augochloropsis metallica  
Bembix sayi  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus auricomus  
Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus fervidus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus pennsylvanicus  
Bombus ternarius  
Bombus vagans  
Chlorion attratum  
Coelioxys rufitarsis  
Colletes aberrans  
Colletes susannae  
Colletes willmattae  
Diabrotica sp  
Dialictus albipennis  
Dialictus cressonii  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus n paradmirus  
Dialictus nymphaeorum  
Dialictus perpunctatus  
Dialictus pictus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus rohweri  
Dialictus sp  
Dialictus tegularis  
Dialictus vierecki  
Eristalis tenax  
Halictus confusus  
Helophilus latifrons  
Hylaeus affinis  
Megachile latimanus  
Melissodes agilis  
Melissodes bimaculata bimaculata  
Melissodes illata  
Metasyrphus sp  
Myzine quinquecincta  
Neocnemodon sp  
Perdita perpalsis citronella  
Philanthus sanbornii  
Philanthus ventilabris  
Sphaerophoria contigua  
Syrphus sp



Toxomerus germinatus  
Toxomerus marginatus  
Villa sp2

Dalea (Petalostemon) villosa (2 collections; 13 individuals; 7 species)

Bombus affinis  
Bombus fervidus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Chlorion pennsylvanicus  
Colletes aberrans  
Sphecodes sp

Delphinium virescens (1 collection; 8 individuals; 3 species)

Bombus auricomus  
Bombus fervidus  
Bombus vagans

Desmodium canadense (4 collections; 14 individuals; 8 species)

Allograpta obliqua  
Bombus pennsylvanicus  
Bombus vagans  
Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus  
Dialictus near rowheri  
Dialictus pilosus  
Halictus confusus  
Toxomerus marginatus

Erigeron strigosus (3 collections; 7 individuals; 5 species)

Dialictus albipennis  
Dialictus n paradmirus  
Orellia ruficauda  
Toxomerus germinatus  
Toxomerus marginatus

Galium boreale (2 collections; 9 individuals; 5 species)

Andrena carlini  
Andrena wilmattae  
Gorytini ?genus  
Hylemya  
Mallota bautias

Grindellia squarrosa (2 collections; 7 individuals; 6 species)

Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Megachile latimanus  
Systoechus sp

Helianthus rigidus (27 collections; 127 individuals; 39 species)

Agapostemon splendens  
Agapostemon virescens  
Ancistocerus catskill  
Andrena helianthi  
Augochlorella striata  
Bombus fervidus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus vagans

Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Chelonus sericeus  
Colias sp.  
Diabrotica sp  
Dialictus anomalus  
Dialictus spp.  
Eristalis latifrons  
Eristalis tenax  
Eristalis transversus  
Eusiphona sp  
Exoprosopa dorcadion  
Halictus ligatus  
Halictus sp  
Heterosarus sp.  
Luperaltica fuscula  
Megachile montivega  
Megachile pugnata  
Melissodes agilis  
Melissodes subillata  
Melissodes trinodis  
Nomada sp  
Perdita albipennis  
Perdita albipennis pallidipennis  
Perdita swenki  
Phthiria sp  
Sparnopolius sp  
Syrphus sp  
Systoechus sp  
Toxomerus germinatus  
Toxomerus marginatus

Helianthus tuberosus (7 collections; 45 individuals; 13 species)

Andrena asteris  
Andrena helianthi  
Bombus griseocollis  
Eristalis tenax  
Eristalis transversus  
Evylaeus cinctipes  
Halictus confusus  
Megachile latimanus  
Melissodes agilis  
Melissodes trinodis  
Nomada sp  
Pterosarus nebrascensis  
Syrphus sp

Heliopsis helianthoides (15 collections; 55 individuals; 18 species)

Agapostemon virescens  
Apis mellifera  
Augochlorella striata  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus vagans  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus rohweri  
Eristalis latifrons  
Eusiphona sp

Halictus confusus  
Halictus ligatus  
Megachile latimanus  
Melissodes subillata  
Nomada sp  
Systoechus sp  
Toxomerus marginatus  
Vanessa cardui  
Zodion sp1

Liatris aspera (10 collections; 70 individuals; 27 species)

Agapostemon splendens  
Agapostemon virescens  
Anastoechus sp  
Anthophora furcata terminalis  
Bombus auricomus  
Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus fervidus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus pennsylvanicus  
Bombus pennsylvanicus  
Bombus vagans  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Chelonus sericeus  
Cisseps fulvicollis  
Colias sp.  
Dialictus pilosus  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Eristalis tenax  
Exoprosopa sp  
Harkenclenus titus  
Hesperia leonardus  
Megachile latimanus  
Melissodes subillata  
Psithyrus citrinus  
Speyeria aphrodite  
Vanessa cardui

Liatris punctata (1 collection; 4 individuals; 3 species)

Bombus griseocollis  
Colias sp.  
Melissodes gelida

Liatris pycnostachya (1 collection; 3 individuals; 3 species)

Bombus fervidus  
Platycheirus sp  
Villa sp2

Lithospermum canescens (2 collections; 3 individuals; 3 species)

Dialictus pilosus  
Evylaeus pectoralis  
Hesperia leonardus

Lupinus perennis (2 collections; 19 individuals; 7 species)

Andrena wilkella  
Dialictus pictus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Hoplitis pilosifrons

Hylaeus affinis  
Polistes fuscatus  
Tetralonia hamata  
Bombus fervidus  
Platycheirus sp  
Villa sp2

Melilotus alba (9 collections; 39 individuals; 19 species)

Apis mellifera  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus fervidus  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus pennsylvanicus  
Bombus ternarius  
Bombus vagans  
Cerceris sp 1  
Colias sp.  
Colletes kincaidii  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Hylemya  
Megachile brevis  
Myzine quinquecincta  
Polistes fuscatus  
Ptilodexia incerta  
Toxomerus marginatus

Melilotus officinalis (7 collections; 35 individuals; 15 species)

Alypia octomaculata  
Andrena wilkella  
Augochlorella striata  
Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus fervidus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Evylaeus pectoralis  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus ligatus  
Hoplitis producta  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Nomada sp  
Philanthus politus  
Stratiomys obesus  
Tropidia sp

Mirabilis nyctanginea (1 collection; 3 individuals; 3 species)

Agapostemon virescens  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Orhonevre sp

Monarda fistulosa (57 collections; 397 individuals; 60 species)

Agapostemon virescens  
Agapostemon sericeus  
Agapostemon texanus  
Allograpta obliqua  
Anacrabro ocellata  
Andrena hirticincta  
Anthophora furcata terminalis  
Apis mellifera

Asterocampa celtis  
Atrytone delaware  
Augochlora pura  
Augochlorella striata  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus auricomus  
Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus borealis  
Bombus fervidus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus pennsylvanicus  
Bombus perplexus  
Bombus vagans  
Cardochiles sp  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Cerceris clypeata  
Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus  
Dialictus anomalus  
Dialictus imitatus  
Dialictus near rowheri  
Dialictus pictus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus pruinus  
Dialictus rowheri  
Dialictus spp.  
Dialictus supraclypeatus  
Dufourea monardae  
Epigyreus clarus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Euphyes vestrus  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus rubicundus  
Hemaris diffinis  
Hemaris thysbe  
Hemipenthes sinuosa  
Heriades carinatus  
Hoplitis producta  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Hylemya  
Lasioglossum paraforbesii  
Melissodes bimaculata bimaculata  
Metasyrphus sp  
Odynerus rugosus  
Perilampus hyalinus (Say)  
Physocephala tibialis  
Platycheirus sp  
Polistes themistoclas  
Polistes origines  
Protandrena bancrofti  
Speyeria aphrodite  
Speyeria cybele  
Sphaerophoria contigua  
Syrphid pipiens  
Syrphus sp  
Toxomerus germinatus  
Toxomerus marginatus  
Vespula maculata  
Wallengrenia egeremet

Nepeta cataria (6 collections; 33 individuals; 18 species)

Allograpta obliqua  
Apis mellifera  
Augochloropsis metallica  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus impatiens  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus  
Dialictus imitatus  
Dialictus rowheri  
Dialictus tegularis  
Dufourea monardae  
Heriades carinatus  
Hylaeus modestus  
Megachile latimanus  
Odynerus rugosus  
Syrpitta pipiens  
Toxomerus marginatus

Penstemon grandiflorus (14 collections; 126 individuals; 36 species)

Agapostemon virescens  
Anthophora furcata terminalis  
Augochlorella striata  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus auricomus  
Bombus fervidus  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Dialictus cressonii  
Dialictus nymphaearum  
Dialictus pictus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus pruinosus  
Dialictus rowheri  
Hoplitis pilosifrons  
Hylaeus affinis  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Hylaeus mesillae mesillae  
Hylemya  
Lasioglossum acuminatum  
Lasioglossum coriaceum  
Lasioglossum paraforbesii  
Osmia distincta  
Osmia simillima  
Polites coras=peckias  
Sphaerophoria sp  
Tetralonia dubitata  
Tetralonia hamata

Phlox pilosa (4 collections; 9 individuals; 6 species)

Atrytone delaware  
Dialictus pictus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Euphyes conspicua  
Syrphus sp  
Systoechus sp  
Thorybes pylades

Potentilla arguta (2 collections; 18 individuals; 8 species)

Dialictus nymphaeorum  
Dialictus perpunctatus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Halictus confusus  
Heriades carinatus  
Hylaeus affinis  
Sphaerophoria sp  
Toxomerus marginatus

Potentilla recta (3 collections; 33 individuals; 15 species)

Allograpta obliqua  
Andrena commoda  
Andrena cressoni c.  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Dialictus albipennis  
Dialictus n laevissimus  
Dialictus n paradmirus  
Dialictus pruinosis  
Dialictus rohweri  
Dialictus sp  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus ligatus  
Halictus parallelus  
Hylaeus affinis  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Toxomerus marginatus

Pycnanthemum virginianum (26 collections; 231 individuals; 87 species)

Agapostemon sericeus  
Allograpta obliqua  
Ammophila urnaria Dahlbom  
Anacrabro ocellata  
Ancistocerus albophaleratus  
Ancistocerus capra  
Andrena hirticincta  
Anoplius (A) illinoensis (Robt)  
Anoplius (Pompilinus) marginatus (Say)  
Archytas sp  
Augochloropsis metallica  
Bembix belfragei  
Bicyrtes quadrifasciata  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus auricomus  
Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus ternarius  
Bombus vagans  
Callophrys gryneus g.  
Campsomerus plumipes confluenta  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Ceratochrysis kansensis  
Cerceris clypeata  
Cerceris deserta  
Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus  
Chlorion ichneumoneum  
Chlorion pennsylvanicus

Chrysanthrax sp  
Climaciella brunnea  
Coelioxys modesta  
Dialictus heterognathus  
Dialictus imitatus  
Dialictus pictus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus rowheri  
Dialictus spp.  
Dialictus vierecki  
Ectemnius continuus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Eumenes fraternus  
Eumenes globulosus  
Euphyes vestris  
Evylaeus cinctipes  
Evylaeus truncatus  
Exoprosopa caliptera  
Gymnoclytia sp2  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus rubicundus  
Harkenclenus titus  
Heriades carinatus  
Hylaeus modestus  
Hylaeus verticalis  
Hyleaus affinis  
Luperaltica fuscula  
Megachile gemula  
Megachile mendica  
Megachile relativa  
Myzine maculata  
Myzine quinqueducta  
Odynerus rugosus  
Parancistroceras vagus v. (Saussure)  
Paratiphia texana Cameron  
Philanthus bilunatus  
Philanthus gibbosus  
Philanthus politus  
Philanthus ventilabris  
Physoconops brachyrhynchus  
Physoconops obscuripennis  
Polalonia mickeli Murray  
Polistes fuscatus  
Psithyrus ashtoni  
Psithyrus citrinus  
Satyrium edwardsii  
Scolia bicincta  
Sphaerophoria contigua  
Sphecodes spp  
Sphex aureonotatus  
Syrpitta pipiens  
Syrphus sp  
Systoechus sp  
Tachytes crassus  
Tachytes pennsylvanicus  
Toxomerus marginatus  
Vespula arenaria  
Villa sp2



Ratibida pinnata (30 collections; 180 individuals; 38 species)

Agapostemon virescens  
Allograpta obliqua  
Andrena rudbeckiae  
Augochlorella striata  
Bembix belfragei  
Bembix sayi  
Bembix spinolae  
Bicyrtes ventralis  
Bombus auricomus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Cerceris sp 1  
Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus  
Cisseps fulvicollis  
Dialictus albipennis  
Dialictus perpunctatus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus rowheri  
Eristalis transversus  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus ligatus  
Luperaltica fuscata  
Megachile brevis  
Megachile latimanus  
Melissodes rustica  
Melissodes subillata  
Melissodes trinodis  
Musca autumnalis  
Paravilla sp  
Philanthus ventilabris  
Phthiria sp  
Poecilanthrax sp  
Pterosarus nebrascensis  
Sphaerophoria contigua  
Svastra obliqua obliqua  
Syrphus sp  
Toxomerus marginatus  
Triepeolus sp  
Zodion sp1

Rosa blanda (4 collections; 27 individuals; 8 species)

Agapostemon texanus  
Agapostemon virescens  
Bombus griseocollis  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Halictus confusus  
Hylaeus affinis  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Hylaeus sp  
Toxomerus marginatus

Rubus occidentalis (1 collection; 7 individuals; 4 species)

Augochlorella striata  
Ceratina dupla  
Evylyaeus pectoralis  
Halictus confusus

Rudbeckia hirta (30 collections; 140 individuals; 40 species)

Agapostemon texanus  
Agapostemon virescens  
Andrena rudbeckiae  
Archytas sp  
Atrytone delaware  
Augochlorella striata  
Bembix spinolae  
Bicyrtes ventralis  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Chrysanthrax sp  
Cisseps fulvicollis  
Coelioxys alternata  
Colias sp.  
Dialictus perpunctatus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus pruinosis  
Dialictus rohweri  
Eristalis latifrons  
Eristalis sp1  
Eristalis transversus  
Euphyes vestris  
Eusiphona sp  
Evylaeus pectoralis  
Exoprosopa caliptera  
Halictus ligatus  
Hedriodiscus vertebratus  
Lepidophora sp  
Megachile pugnata  
Melissodes subillata  
Melissodes trinodis  
Paravilla sp  
Poecilanthrax sp  
Ptilodexia incerta  
Satyrium edwardsii  
Sphaerophoria sp  
Syrphus sp  
Systoechus sp  
Toxomerus marginatus

Sisyrinchium campestre (1 collection; 8 individuals; 5 species)

Dialictus pictus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Hylaeus affinis  
Lasioglossum paraforbesii  
Sphaerophoria sp

Solidago canadensis (20 collections; 181 individuals; 62 species)

Ammophila urnaria Dahlbom  
Ancistocerus albophaleratus  
Ancistocerus capra  
Ancistocerus catskill  
Ancistocerus tigris  
Andrena asteris  
Andrena hirticineta  
Andrena nubecula  
Andrena placata

Andrena simplex  
Anoplius (Pompilinus) marginatus (Say)  
Apis mellifera  
Augochlorella striata  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus ternarius  
Bombus vagans  
Ceratogastra ornata Say  
Cerceris deserta Say  
Cerceris nigrescens  
Cisseps fulvicollis  
Colletes simulans armatus  
Cremastus hyalinipennis  
Cylindromyia binotata  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus near rowheri  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus rowheri  
Dialictus spp.  
Ectemnius lapidarius (Panzer)  
Ectemnius singularis (Smith)  
Ectemnius sp  
Epistrophella emarginata  
Episyron biguttatus b. (Fab)  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Eristalis tenax  
Eristalis transversus  
Eumenes globulosus  
Evylaeus pectoralis  
Halictus ligatus  
Helophilus fasciatus  
Hylaeus affinis  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Lasioglossum leucozonium  
Lasioglossum paraforbesii  
Megachile mendica  
Megachile relativa  
Melissodes illata  
Myzine maculata  
Myzine quinquecincta  
Odynerus rugosus  
Philanthus bilunatus  
Platycheirus sp  
Polistes fuscatus  
Psithyrus citrinus  
Ptilodexia sp  
Rogas terminalis  
Sphecodes sp  
Spilomyia quadrifasciata  
Syritta pipiens  
Tachytes crassus  
Toxomerus marginatus  
Vespula vidua

Solidago nemoralis (10 collections; 88 individuals; 40 species)  
Ancistocerus tigris

Andrena hirticineta  
Andrena placata  
Andrena simplex  
Anoplius sp  
Augochloropsis metallica  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus ternarius  
Bombus vagans  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Cerceris deserta  
Chelonus sericeus  
Cisseps fulvicollis  
Colias sp.  
Colletes mandibularis  
Colletes simulans armatus  
Dialictus coeruleus  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus vierecki  
Ectemnius lapidarius (Panzer)  
Epeolus scutellaris  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Exoprosopa caliptera  
Megachile latimanus  
Megachile pugnata  
Melissodes rustica  
Myzine maculata  
Myzine quinquecincta  
Odynerus rugosus  
Philanthus politus  
Philanthus bilunatus  
Phylctanodes sp?  
Polistes fuscatus  
Pterosarus nebrascensis  
Sphecodes sp  
Syritta pipiens  
Vespula vidua

Solidago rigida (20 collections; 220 individuals; 62 species)

Adelphicornis lineatus  
Ammophila urnaria Dahlbom  
Ancistocerus catskill  
Andrena asteris  
Andrena helianthi  
Andrena hirticineta  
Andrena nubecula  
Andrena placata  
Andrena simplex  
Andrena sp  
Apis mellifera  
Augochlorella striata  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus auricomus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens

Bombus vagans  
Ceratogastra ornata Say  
Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus  
Chlorion ichneumonium  
Chlorion pennsylvanicus  
Cisseps fulvicollis  
Colias sp.  
Colletes simulans armatus  
Cylindromyia binotata  
Danaus plexippus  
Diabrotica sp  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus rowheri  
Dialictus sp  
Epicauta pennsylvanica  
Eristalis bardus  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Eristalis tenax  
Euchistus  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus ligatus  
Helophilus fasciatus  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Lasioglossum coriaceum  
Luperaltica fuscula  
Megachile latimanus  
Megachile relativa  
Megacyllene robiniae  
Melissodes dentiventris  
Melissodes illata  
Melissodes rustica  
Myzine quinquecincta  
Odynerus rugosus  
Philanthus ventilabris  
Phymata pennsylvanica  
Polistes fuscatus  
Psithyrus ashtoni  
Pterosarus nebrascensis  
Scolops  
Sinea diadema  
Sphaerophoria sp  
Sphecodes sp  
Syritta sp  
Toxomerus germinatus  
Toxomerus marginatus

Solidago speciosa (11 collections; 103 individuals; 30 species)

Andrena hirticincta  
Andrena nubecula  
Andrena placata  
Apis mellifera  
Archytas sp  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus vagans  
Chelonus sericeus  
Cisseps fulvicollis

Coelioxys octodentata  
Colletes simulans armatus  
Dialictus heterognathus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus spp.  
Epeolus scutellaris  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Eumenes globulosus  
Helophilus fasciatus  
Megachile latimanus  
Myzine maculata  
Polistes fuscatus  
Psithyrus ashtoni  
Pterosarus nebrascensis  
Scolia ephippium  
Vanessa cardui  
Vespula arenaria  
Vespula vidua

Stachys palustris (4 collections; 27 individuals; 12 species)

Allograpta obliqua  
Anthophora furcata terminalis  
Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus borealis  
Bombus fervidus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus perplexus  
Bombus vagans  
Dialictus n paradmirus  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Sphaerophoria sp  
Toxomerus marginatus

Trifolium pratense (1 collection; 2 individuals; 2 species)

Bombus bimaculatus  
Vanessa cardui

Verbena hastata (5 collections; 25 individuals; 13 species)

Agapostemon sericeus  
Apis mellifera  
Augochlorella striata  
Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus vagans  
Bufolucilia sp  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus ligatus  
Megachile brevis  
Melissodes trinodis  
Sphaerophoria contigua

Verbena stricta (5 collections; 14 individuals; 10 species)

Apis mellifera  
Atrytone delaware  
Augochlorella striata  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus griseocollis

Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus  
Colias sp.  
Hemaris diffinis  
Melissodes agilis  
Vanessa cardui

Vernonia fasciculata (1 collection; 10 individuals; 7 species)

Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus vagans  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Dialictus imitatus  
Dialictus sp  
Melissodes trinodis  
Phthiria sp  
Triepeolus sp

Vicia americana (1 collection; 5 individuals; 4 species)

Andrena wilkella  
Bombus fervidus  
Ceratina dupla  
Halictus confusus

Zizia aurea (8 collections; 92 individuals; 34 species)

Ancistocerus albophaleratus  
Ancistocerus catskill  
Ancistocerus tigris  
Andrena crataegi  
Andrena cressoni c.  
Andrena erythrogaster  
Andrena wilkella  
Andrena ziziae  
Anoplius (Pompilinus) marginatus (Say)  
Augochlorella striata  
Campoplex sp  
Ceratina cal or dup  
Chrysops sp  
Dialictus albipennis  
Dialictus imitatus  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus pictus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus pruinosus  
Dialictus rohweri  
Dialictus vierecki  
Evylaeus pectoralis  
Gymnoclytia sp2  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus ligatus  
Hylaeus affinis  
Hylaeus illinoensis  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Lejops stipatus  
Nomada sp  
Odontomia pubescens  
Odynerus rugosus  
Polistes fuscatus  
Sphecodes sp

## **Insects and Plants on Sites**

### **AREM**

#### Insects

Agapostemon sericeus  
Allograpta obliqua  
Ammophila urnaria Dahlbom  
Ancistocerus albophaleratus  
Ancistocerus tigris  
Andrena hirticincta  
Andrena nubecula  
Andrena simplex  
Andrena virginiana  
Anoplus (A) illinoensis (Robt)  
Anoplus (Pompilinus) marginatus (Say)  
Anthidium psoraleae  
Apis mellifera  
Augochlorella striata  
Augochloropsis metallica  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus auricomus  
Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus borealis  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus vagans  
Bufolucilia sp  
Callophrys gryneus g.  
Celastrina argiotus  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Cerceris clypeata  
Cerceris sp 2  
Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus  
Cisseps fulvicollis  
Climaciella brunnea  
Coelioxys modesta  
Colletes simulans armatus  
Dialictus cressonii  
Dialictus heterognathus  
Dialictus illinoensis  
Dialictus imitatus  
Dialictus n laevissimus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus rohweri  
Dialictus tegularis  
Dialictus zephyrus  
Dufourea monardae  
Epargyreus clarus  
Epeolus scutellaris  
Eumenes fraternus  
Eumenes globulosus  
Euphyes vestris  
Evylaeus cinctipes  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus ligatus  
Halictus rubicundus  
Helophilus fasciatus  
Hemaris diffinis  
Hemaris thysbe

#### Plants

Achillea millefolium  
Agastache foeniculum  
Amorpha canescens  
Cirsium discolor  
Monarda fistulosa  
Nepeta cataria  
Pycnanthemum virginianum  
Rudbeckia hirta  
Solidago canadensis  
Solidago nemoralis  
Solidago speciosa  
Verbena hastata



Heriades carinatus  
Hesperia pawnee  
Heterosarus parvus  
Hoplitis cylindrica  
Hoplitis producta  
Hylaeus affinis  
Hylaeus modestus  
Luperaltica fuscata  
Megachile brevis  
Megachile latimanus  
Megachile relativa  
Melissodes desponsa  
Melissodes illata  
Metasyrphus sp  
Myzine maculata  
Myzine quinquecincta  
Odynerus rugosus  
Paratiphia texana Cameron  
Philanthus bilunatus  
Physocephala tibialis  
Polistes fuscatus  
Polistes origines  
Pterosarus nebrascensis  
Satyrium edwardsii  
Scolia ephippium  
Sphaerophoria sp  
Sphex aureonotatus  
Thorybes pylades  
Toxomerus marginatus  
Vespula arenaria  
Vespula vidua

**ASP**

Agapostemon virescens  
Allograpta obliqua  
Andrena rudbeckiae  
Apis mellifera  
Atrytone delaware  
Augochlorella striata  
Bembix spinolae  
Bombus auricomus  
Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus vagans  
Ceratina calcarata  
Cisseps fulvicollis  
Colias sp.  
Colletes susannae  
Dialictus rowheri  
Dufourea monardae  
Epargyreus clarus  
Euphyes vestris  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus ligatus  
Hemipenthes sinuosa  
Heriades carinatus  
Megachile latimanus  
Melissodes subillata  
Melissodes trinodis

Dalea purpurea  
Monarda fistulosa  
Penstemon grandiflorus (1990 only)  
Potentilla recta  
Ratibida pinnata  
Rudbeckia hirta  
Verbena hastata

Pterosarus nebrascensis  
Ptilodexia incerta  
Sphaerophoria contigua  
Syrphus sp  
Toxomerus germinatus  
Toxomerus marginatus  
Wallengrenia egeremet

### **CARP**

Agapostemon sericeus  
Agapostemon splendens  
Agapostemon virescens  
Allograpta obliqua  
Ancistocerus albophaleratus  
Ancistocerus capra  
Ancistocerus catskill  
Ancistocerus tigris  
Andrena asteris  
Andrena commoda  
Andrena crataegi  
Andrena cressoni c.  
Andrena erythrogaster  
Andrena helianthi  
Andrena hirticincta  
Andrena nubecula  
Andrena placata  
Andrena rudbeckiae  
Andrena simplex  
Andrena wilkella  
Anoplius (Pompilinus) marginatus (Say)  
Anthophora furcata terminalis  
Apis mellifera  
Archytas sp  
Asterocampa celtis  
Atrytone delaware  
Augochlorella striata  
Bombus affinis  
Bombus auricomus  
Bombus bimaculatus  
Bombus borealis  
Bombus fervidus  
Bombus griseocollis  
Bombus impatiens  
Bombus pennsylvanicus  
Bombus perplexus  
Bombus vagans  
Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
Ceratogastra ornata Say  
Cerceris deserta Say  
Cerceris sp 3  
Cerceris sp 4  
Cerceris sp 5  
Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus  
Chlorion ichneumonium  
Chlorion pennsylvanicus  
Cisseps fulvicollis  
Colias sp.  
Colletes aberrans  
Colletes susannae

Achillea millefolium  
Agastache foeniculum  
Aster ericoides  
Aster lanceolata  
Cirsium arvense  
Cirsium discolor  
Dalea purpurea  
Erigeron strigosus  
Helianthus rigidus  
Helianthus tuberosus  
Heliopsis helianthoides  
Melilotus officinalis  
Monarda fistulosa  
Potentilla arguta  
Potentilla recta  
Ratibida pinnata  
Rosa blanda  
Rudbeckia hirta  
Solidago canadensis  
Solidago rigida  
Solidago speciosa  
Stachys palustris  
Trifolium pratense  
Verbena stricta  
Zizia americana

Cremastus hyalinipennis  
Diabrotica sp  
Dialictus albipennis  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus n laevissimus  
Dialictus n paradmirus  
Dialictus near rowheri  
Dialictus nymphaeorum  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus pruinosis  
Dialictus rohweri  
Dialictus zephyrus  
Dinera sp  
Dufourea monardae  
Ectemnius singularis (Smith)  
Ectemnius sp  
Epicauta pennsylvanica  
Epistrophella emarginata  
Episyron biguttatus b. (Fab)  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Eristalis latifrons  
Eristalis sp2  
Eristalis tenax  
Eristalis transversus  
Euchistus  
Exoprosopa dorcadion  
Gymnoclytia sp2  
Halictus confusus  
Halictus ligatus  
Halictus ligatus  
Halictus parallelus  
Helophilus fasciatus  
Hemaris diffinis  
Heriades carinatus  
Heterosarus sp.  
Hylaeus affinis  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Hylemya  
Lasioglossum acuminatum  
Lasioglossum paraforbesii  
Leucostoma sp  
Luperaltica fuscata  
Megachile latimanus  
Megachile mendica  
Megacyllene robiniae  
Melissodes agilis  
Melissodes desponsa  
Melissodes illata  
Melissodes rustica  
Melissodes subillata  
Melissodes trinodis  
Myzine quinquecincta  
Nomada sp  
Odynerus rugosus  
Orellia ruficauda  
Perilampus hyalinus (Say)  
Philanthus ventilabris  
Phymata pennsylvanica  
Platycheirus sp

Polistes fuscatus  
Psithyrus ashtoni  
Pterosarus nebrascensis  
Scolops  
Sinea diadema  
Speyeria aphrodite  
Sphaerophoria contigua  
Sphaerophoria sp  
Sphecodes sp  
Spilomyia quadrifasciata  
Stomoxys calcitrans  
Svastra obliqua obliqua  
Syrphus sp  
Tachytes crassus  
Temelucha ferruginea  
Toxomerus germinatus  
Toxomerus marginatus  
Vanessa cardui  
Wallengrenia egeremet

## CC

?Chilo sp  
Agapostemon sericeus  
    Agapostemon splendens  
    Agapostemon virescens  
        Anacrabro ocellata  
        Anastoechus sp  
    Ancistocerus tigris  
    Andrena asteris  
    Andrena helianthi  
    Andrena hirticineta  
    Andrena placata  
Anoplius (A) illinoensis (Robt)  
Anthophora furcata terminalis  
    Apis mellifera  
    Archytas sp  
    Atrytone delaware  
    Augochlora pura  
    Augochlorella striata  
Augochloropsis metallica  
    Bembix belfragei  
    Bembix spinolae  
Bicyrtes quadrifasciata  
    Bicyrtes ventralis  
    Bombus affinis  
Bombus bimaculatus  
    Bombus borealis  
    Bombus fervidus  
Bombus griseocollis  
    Bombus impatiens  
    Bombus ternarius  
    Bombus terricola  
    Bombus vagans  
Campsomerus plumipes confluenta  
    Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
    Cerceris deserta  
    Chrysanthrax sp

Amorpha canescens  
Aster oolentangiensis  
Dalea purpurea  
Helianthus rigidus  
Liatris aspera  
Lithospermum carolinense  
Monarda fistulosa  
Penstemon grandiflorus  
Phlox pilosa  
Pycnanthemum virginianum  
Rudbeckia hirta  
Solidago canadensis  
Solidago nemoralis  
Solidago rigida  
Stachys palustris  
Solidago speciosa

Chrysops sp  
Cisseps fulvicollis  
Coelioxys alternata  
Colias sp.  
Colletes simulans armatus  
Dialictus coeruleus  
Dialictus cressonii  
Dialictus lineatulus  
Dialictus pictus  
Dialictus pilosus  
Dialictus vierecki  
Ectemnius continuus  
Ectemnius lapidarius (Panzer)  
Epistrophella emarginata  
Eristalis dimidiatus  
Eristalis transversus  
Eumenes globulosus  
Euphyes conspicua  
Euphyes vestris  
Evylaeus pectoralis  
Exoprosopa caliptera  
Formicinae ?genus  
Gymnoclytia sp2  
Halictus ligatus  
Harkenclenus titus  
Hedriodiscus vertebratus  
Helophilus fasciatus  
Hemaris thysbe  
Heriades carinatus  
Hesperia leonardus  
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
Hylaeus modestus  
Hylaeus verticalis  
Hyleaus mesillae mesillae  
Lasioglossum acuminatum  
Lasioglossum coriaceum  
Lasioglossum paraforbesii  
Lepidophora sp  
Luperaltica fuscula  
Megachile gemula  
Megachile latimanus  
Megachile montivega  
Megachile pugnata  
Megachile relativa  
Melissodes agilis  
Melissodes bimaculata bimaculata  
Melissodes dentiventris  
Melissodes subillata  
Melissodes trinodis  
Metasyrphus sp  
Myzine maculata  
Myzine quinquecincta  
Neocnemodon sp  
Odynerus rugosus  
Osmia distincta  
Perdita albipennis pallidipennis  
Philantus bilunatus  
Phylctanodes sp?  
Physoconops brachyrhynchus

Poecilanthrax sp  
 Polalonia mickeli Murray  
 Polistes fuscatus  
 Polistes themistoclas  
 Psithyrus ashtoni  
 Psithyrus citrinus  
 Pterosarus nebrascensis  
 Ptilodexia sp  
 Rogas terminalis  
 Satyrium edwardsii  
 Scolia bicincta  
 Speyeria aphrodite  
 Sphaerophoria sp  
 Sphecodes sp  
 Syrphus sp  
 Systoechus sp  
 Tachytes pennsylvanicus  
 Thorybes pylades  
 Toxomerus germinatus  
 Toxomerus marginatus  
 Vesputa maculata  
 Vesputa vidua  
 Zodion sp2

**CEM**

?Chilo sp  
 Adelphicornis lineatus  
 Agapostemon sericeus  
 Agapostemon texanus  
 Agapostemon virescens  
 Allograpta obliqua  
 Ammophila urnaria Dahlbom  
 Ancistocerus tigris  
 Andrena asteris  
 Andrena carlini  
 Andrena helianthi  
 Andrena helianthi  
 Andrena hirticincta  
 Andrena nubecula  
 Andrena rudbeckiae  
 Andrena simplex  
 Andrena wilkella  
 Andrena wilmattae  
 Andrena ziziae  
 Apis mellifera  
 Atrytone delaware  
 Augochlorella striata  
 Bembix spinolae  
 Bombus affinis  
 Bombus auricomus  
 Bombus bimaculatus  
 Bombus fervidus  
 Bombus griseocollis  
 Bombus impatiens  
 Bombus pennsylvanicus  
 Bombus perplexus  
 Bombus vagans  
 Cardiochiles sp  
 Ceratina calcarata or dupla

Aster ericoides  
 Aster lanceolata  
 Aster oolentangiensis  
 Desmodium canadense  
 Galium boreale  
 Helianthus rigidus  
 Helianthus tuberosus  
 Heliopsis helianthoides  
 Monarda fistulosa  
 Ratibida pinnata  
 Rosa blanda  
 Solidago canadensis  
 Solidago rigida  
 Solidago speciosa  
 Vicia americana

Cerceris fulvipediculata  
 Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus  
 Chlorion attratum  
 Cisseps fulvicollis  
 Colias sp.  
 Cylindromyia binotata  
 Diabrotica sp  
 Dialictus near rowheri  
 Dialictus pilosus  
 Dialictus pruinosus  
 Dialictus rohweri  
 Dufourea monardae  
 Epicauta pennsylvanica  
 Episyron biguttatus b. (Fab)  
 Eristalis arbustorum  
 Eristalis dimidiatus  
 Eristalis latifrons  
 Eristalis tenax  
 Eristalis transversus  
 Evylaeus cinctipes  
 Evylaeus pectoralis  
 Exetastes angustoralis  
 Gorytini ?genus  
 Gymnoclytia sp1  
 Halictus confusus  
 Halictus ligatus  
 Halictus parallelus  
 Hemaris diffinis  
 Heriades carinatus  
 Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
 Hyleaus mesillae mesillae  
 Hylemya  
 Lasioglossum coriaceum  
 Lasioglossum leucozonium  
 Lasioglossum paraforbesii  
 Mallota bautias  
 Megachile brevis  
 Megachile latimanus  
 Megacyllene robiniae  
 Melissodes agilis  
 Melissodes bimaculata bimaculata  
 Melissodes rustica  
 Melissodes subillata  
 Melissodes trinodis  
 Melissodes trinodis  
 Metasyrphus sp  
 Nomada sp  
 Philanthus ventilabris  
 Polistes fuscatus  
 Pterosarus nebrascensis  
 Svastra obliqua obliqua  
 Syrphus sp  
 Toxomerus marginatus  
 Triepeolus sp  
 Vanessa cardui  
 Zodion sp1

**CHR**

?Chilo sp

Achillea millefolium

Agapostemon sericeus  
 Agapostemon texanus  
 Agapostemon virescens  
   Allograpta obliqua  
   Alypia octomaculata  
     Andrena asteris  
     Andrena helianthi  
     Andrena hirticincta  
     Andrena placata  
     Andrena wilkella  
     Apis mellifera  
     Archytas sp  
   Atrytone delaware  
   Augochlorella striata  
 Augochloropsis metallica  
   Bembix sayi  
   Bembix spinolae  
   Bicyrtes ventralis  
   Bombus affinis  
   Bombus auricomus  
   Bombus bimaculatus  
   Bombus fervidus  
   Bombus griseocollis  
   Bombus impatiens  
   Bombus pennsylvanicus  
   Bombus ternarius  
   Bombus vagans  
   Cerceris nigrescens  
   Cerceris sp 1  
   Cercyonis pegala  
 Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus  
   Chelonus sericeus  
   Chlorion attratum  
   Cisseps fulvicollis  
   Coelioxys rufitarsus  
     Colias sp.  
   Colletes kincaidii  
 Colletes simulans armatus  
   Colletes susannae  
   Colletes willmattae  
     Diabrotica sp  
   Dialictus albipennis  
   Dialictus lineatulus  
 Dialictus nymphaearum  
   Dialictus perpunctatus  
     Dialictus pictus  
     Dialictus pilosus  
     Dialictus pruinus  
     Dialictus tegularis  
     Dialictus vierecki  
   Ectemnius continuus  
 Epicauta pennsylvanica  
   Eristalis bardus  
   Eristalis dimidiatus  
   Eristalis latifrons  
   Eristalis tenax  
   Eristalis transversus  
   Eusiphona sp  
   Evylaeus pectoralis  
  
 Agastache foeniculum  
 Allium canadense  
 Amorpha canescens  
 Anemone canadensis  
 Aster ericoides  
 Aster oolentangiensis  
 Aster sericeus  
 Chrysopsis villosa  
 Coreopsis palmata  
 Dalea purpurea  
 Helianthus rigidus  
 Helianthus tuberosus  
 Heliopsis helianthoides  
 Liatris aspera  
 Lupinus perennis  
 Melilotus alba  
 Melilotus officinalis  
 Mirabilis nyctaginea  
 Monarda fistulosa  
 Penstemon grandiflorus  
 Phlox pilosa  
 Potentilla arguta  
 Ratibida pinnata  
 Rosa blanda  
 Rudbeckia hirta  
 Solidago canadensis  
 Solidago rigida  
 Solidago speciosa  
 Sysirinchium campestre  
 Lithospermum inscisum



Exoprosopa caliptera  
     Exoprosopa sp  
     Halictus confusus  
     Helophilus fasciatus  
     Helophilus latifrons  
     Heriades carinatus  
     Hoplitis pilosifrons  
     Hylaeus affinis  
 Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
     Hylemya  
 Lasioglossum paraforbesii  
     Megachile brevis  
     Megachile latimanus  
     Megachile pugnata  
     Melissodes agilis  
 Melissodes dentiventris  
     Melissodes subillata  
     Melissodes trinodis  
     Metasyrphus sp  
     Musca autumnalis  
     Myzine maculata  
 Myzine quinquecincta  
     Nomada sp  
     Orhonevre sp  
     Paravilla sp  
 Perdita perpalpis citronella  
     Perdita swenki  
     Philanthus politus  
     Philanthus sanbornii  
     Philanthus ventilabris  
     Philanthus bilunatus  
     Phyciodes tharos  
     Platycheirus sp  
     Poecilanthrax sp  
     Polistes fuscatus  
     Polistes coras=peckias  
 Protandrena bancrofti  
     Ptilodexia incerta  
     Speyeria cybele  
 Sphaerophoria contigua  
     Sphaerophoria sp  
     Stratiomys obesus  
 Svastra obliqua obliqua  
     Syrphus sp  
     Systoechus sp  
     Tetralonia dubitata  
     Tetralonia hamata  
 Toxomerus germinatus  
 Toxomerus marginatus  
     Vanessa cardui  
     Villa sp2  
 Wallengrenia egeremet

**LLRP**

Agapostemon texanus  
 Ammophila urnaria Dahlbom  
     Anacrabro ocellata  
 Ancistocerus albophaleratus

Achillea millefolium  
 Agastache foeniculum  
 Allium canadense  
 Amorpha canescens

Ancistocerus tigris  
 Andrena asteris  
 Andrena commoda  
 Andrena helianthi  
 Andrena hirticincta  
  
 Andrena placata  
 Andrena ziziae  
 Anoplius (Pompilinus) marginatus (Say)  
 Archytas sp  
 Augochlorella striata  
 Bombus affinis  
 Bombus bimaculatus  
 Bombus fervidus  
 Bombus griseocollis  
 Bombus impatiens  
 Bombus terricola  
 Bombus vagans  
 Campoplex sp  
 Ceratina calcarata or dupla  
 Cerceris deserta  
 Cerceris sp 1  
 Cercyonis pegala  
 Chelonus sericeus  
 Chlorion ichneumoneum  
 Chlorion pennsylvanicus  
 Chrysops sp  
 Chrysotoxum sp  
 Cisseps fulvicollis  
 Coelioxys rufitarsus  
 Colletes aberrans  
 Colletes kincaidii  
 Colletes mandibularis  
 Colletes robertsoni  
 Colletes simulans armatus  
 Danaus plexippus  
 Dialictus cressonii  
 Dialictus imitatus  
 Dialictus lineatulus  
 Dialictus pictus  
 Dialictus pilosus  
 Dialictus vierecki  
 Ectemnius lapidarius (Panzer)  
 Ectemnius singularis (Smith)  
 Eristalis bardus  
 Eristalis dimidiatus  
 Eristalis latifrons  
 Eristalis sp1  
 Eristalis transversus  
 Erylaeus pectoralis  
 Helophilus fasciatus  
 Heriades carinatus  
 Hoplitis cylindrica  
 Hoplitis pilosifrons  
 Hoplitis producta  
 Hylaeus affinis  
 Hylaeus illinoensis  
 Hylaeus mesillae cressoni  
 Lasioglossum athabascense

Aster ericoides  
 Aster lanceolata  
 Aster oolentangiensis  
 Aster sericeus  
 Berteroa incana  
 Chrysopsis villosa  
 Dalea purpurea  
 Dalea villosa  
 Crepis tectorum  
 Desmodium canadense  
 Erigeron strigosus  
 Grindelia squarrosa  
 Helianthus rigidus  
 Heliopsis helianthoides  
 Melilotus alba  
 Melilotus officinalis  
 Monarda fistulosa  
 Penstemon grandiflorus  
 Pycnanthemum virginianum  
 Rudbeckia hirta  
 Solidago canadensis  
 Solidago nemoralis  
 Solidago rigida  
 Solidago speciosa  
 Zizia americana

Lasioglossum coriaceum  
     Lasioglossum sp  
     Lejops stipatus  
 Megachile latimanus  
     Megachile pugnata  
     Megachile relativa  
     Melissodes agilis  
 Melissodes dentiventris  
     Melissodes illata  
     Melissodes rustica  
     Metasyrphus sp  
 Myzine quinquecincta  
     Nomada sp  
 Odontomia pubescens  
     Odynerus rugosus  
     Orhonevre sp  
 Oxybelus sublatulus Robertson  
     Parhelophilus laetus  
     Parhelophilus sp  
     Perdita albipennis  
     Philanthus politus  
     Philanthus sanbornii  
     Philanthus ventilabris  
     Polistes fuscatus  
     Psithyrus citrinus  
     Sphaerophoria sp  
     Sphecodes sp  
     Stratiomys obesus  
     Syritta pipiens  
     Syrphus sp  
     Systoechus sp  
     Tachytes crassus  
 Tachytes pennsylvanicus  
     Toxomerus germinatus  
     Toxomerus marginatus  
     Tropidia sp  
     Vanessa cardui  
     Villa sp1

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Agapostemon sericeus  
 Agapostemon virescens  
     Allograpta obliqua  
 Ancistocerus catskill  
     Andrena asteris  
     Andrena commoda  
     Andrena helianthi  
     Andrena hirticincta  
     Andrena miranda  
     Andrena rudbeckiae  
     Andrena ziziae  
     Apis mellifera  
     Archytas sp  
 Augochlorella striata  
 Augochloropsis metallica  
     Bembix belfragei  
     Bombus affinis  
     Bombus auricomus

Achillea millefolium  
 Amorpha canescens  
 Aquilegia canadensis  
 Aster ericoides  
 Aster ontarionis  
 Aster oolentangiensis  
 Aster sericeus  
 Campanula rotundifolia  
 Cirsium discolor  
 Helianthus rigidus  
 Liatris aspera  
 Liatris punctata  
 Monarda fistulosa  
 Nepeta cataria  
 Pycnanthemum virginianum  
 Ratibida pinnata  
 Rubus occidentalis  
 Solidago canadensis

Bombus bimaculatus	Solidago rigida
Bombus fervidus	Solidago speciosa
Bombus impatiens	Vernonia fasciculata
Bombus vagans	Zizia americana
Callophrys gryneus g.	
Ceratina calcarata or dupla	
Ceratochrysis kansensis	
Cerceris sp 1	
Chauliognathus pennsylvanicus	
Coelioxys octodentata	
Colias sp.	
Colletes americanus	
Colletes brevicornis	
Diabrotica sp	
Dialictus anomalus	
Dialictus cressonii	
Dialictus imitatus	
Dialictus n laevisissimus	
Dialictus pilosus	
Dialictus rohweri	
Dialictus supraclypeatus	
Dufourea monardae	
Epistrophella emarginata	
Eristalis arbustorum	
Eristalis dimidiatus	
Eristalis latifrons	
Eristalis tenax	
Eristalis transversus	
Eusiphona sp	
Evylaeus cinctipes	
Evylaeus pectoralis	
Evylaeus truncatus	
Exetastes angustoralis	
Halictus confusus	
Halictus ligatus	
Halictus rubicundus	
Helophilus fasciatus	
Helophilus latifrons	
Hylaeus mesillae cressoni	
Hyleaus affinis	
Hylemya	
Lasioglossum leucozonium	
Luperaltica fuscula	
Megachile brevis	
Megachile latimanus	
Megachile mendica	
Melissodes agilis	
Melissodes desponsa	
Melissodes gelida	
Melissodes rustica	
Melissodes subillata	
Melissodes trinodis	
Metasyrphus sp	
Myzine quinquecincta	
Nymphalis milberti	
Odynerus rugosus	
Parancistroceras vagus v. (Saussure)	
Philanthus gibbosus	
Philanthus bilunatus	

Phthiria sp  
Phymata pennsylvanica  
Physocephala tibialis  
Physoconops obscuripennis  
Platycheirus sp  
Polistes fuscatus  
Psithyrus ashtoni  
Sparnopolius sp  
Speyeria aphrodite  
Sphaerophoria contigua  
Syritta pipiens  
Syrphus sp  
Thecophora sp  
Toxomerus germinatus  
Toxomerus marginatus  
Triepeolus sp  
Vespula vidua  
Villa sp2