# **Additional Details on Select Pollinator Plants**

## Sugar Bush (Rhus ovata)

- Native to dry canyons/slopes of California
- Flower colors are white and pink
- Blooms during spring, winter
- When established, needs only occasional watering and is easy to take care of
- Prefers low moisture, is drought tolerant
- Attracts butterflies and insects, bird friendly
- Often used for firescaping (surrounding area with fire-resistant plants to create barrier) and slope stabilization (minimizing erosion)
- Grows best in south facing chaparral slopes and hot/dry environments

#### Pomegranate Trees

- Pomegranate trees (Punica granatum) maximum height is 30 feet tall in ideal conditions, but commonly grow 12 to 16 feet tall as a round shrub or small tree.
- The fruit is typically in season from September to February.
- Prefer full sun exposure.
- Once established, pomegranates can take considerable drought, but for good fruit production they must be irrigated

#### Toyon Berry

- Often grow to about 8 feet tall.
- Its leaves are evergreen, alternate, sharply toothed, and are 5 cm in length and 2 cm wide.
- The flowers are visited by butterflies and other insects, and have a mild, hawthorn-like scent.
- They like sun or part shade, though they tend to do better in part shade in the southern, drier part of their geographic range.







## Canyon Sunflower (Venegasia carpesioides)

- A great choice for a dry shady part of the garden as it tolerates full shade or part shade/sun.
- Its yellow flowers are nearly always blooming.
- They are fairly drought tolerant and they require little or no care and it's tolerant of a variety of different garden soils.
- It prefers moist canyons in Southern California, but it is pretty versatile.
- Moorpark College is within the estimated plant range.

## California Goldfields

- Flowers during the winter/spring
- Can reach 10 inches in height in proper conditions
- Size class: 0-1 feet
- Require sunlight and dry clay/sand to grow in
- Attracts large numbers of native bees
- Native habitat: open mesas and grasslands

## Mountain phlox (Linanthus grandifloras)

- Dry shade plant
- Flower colors are white, pink, and purple
- Blooms during spring and summer
- Prefers dry to adequate moisture, and is drought tolerant!
- Grows best in sandy, drought/dry, loamy (mixture of clay, silt, sand) soil
- Attracts butterflies and is bee friendly
- Low maintenance

## Arroyo Lupine

- Common throughout most of California and it grows best along the coast, foothills of the Sierras and into the mountains, in dry and open meadows, prairies and forest clearings.
- They require a low amount of water and attention.
- It's flowers bloom from February until May, so we'll be able to enjoy the flowers during our Spring semesters and it's a great pollinator.
- The flower is generally purple-blue







