



# ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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## APPLICATION FOR MODIFICATION OF THE LOW WATER USE/DROUGHT TOLERANT PLANT LIST PHOENIX AMA

*Please type or print clearly. Send signed original and applicable botanical references to the Phoenix AMA at the address listed above.*

1. Plant to be considered for addition or deletion:

GENUS

SPECIES

CULTIVAR

COMMON NAME

### 2. ADDITION

### DELETION

#### 3. Type of Plant:

- Tree
- Groundcover
- Annual Wildflower
- Grass

- Shrub
- Succulent
- Perennial Wildflower
- Vines

#### 4. Hardiness in Phoenix:

- Tender
- Tolerates Frost

- Semi-Tender

#### 5. Light Requirements:

- Full Sun
- Partial Shade

- Total Shade

#### 6. Area of Intended Use:

- Rest Stop
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

- Median Strip

#### 7. Irrigation Requirements:

- Requires no supplemental irrigation (normal rainfall sufficient)
- Requires deep irrigation several times each year for best growth and appearance
- Requires regular but widely spaced irrigation for growth and acceptable appearance.

#### 8. Intended Irrigation Method:

- Drip
- Flood
- Natural Precipitation
- Sprinkler
- Other  
(Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

9. How soon do you intend to use this plant? \_\_\_\_\_

10. Describe your past experience in working with this plant. How long has it been grown in Phoenix?  
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\_\_\_\_\_

11. How is the plant propagated? \_\_\_\_\_  
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12. Is the plant generally available? YES            NO

13. Briefly describe why you feel this plant should be added/deleted from the low water using plant list.  
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Name of Applicant (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title and/or Organization

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

AMA Director's Recommendation: Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved <input type="checkbox"/>	_____ Signature	_____ Date
Director's Recommendation: Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved <input type="checkbox"/>	_____ Signature	_____ Date

**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES  
PHOENIX ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA  
LOW WATER USING PLANT LIST  
REQUIREMENTS AND MODIFICATION PROCESS**

**PURPOSE**

The Low Water Using Plant List (List) is used by the Department of Water Resources as a regulatory document in both the Municipal and Industrial Conservation Programs.

**RIGHT-OF-WAY REQUIREMENT**

Pursuant to Chapter 5, 5112A.3. of the Modifications to the Third Management Plan: 2000 – 2010, “The municipal provider or individual user shall serve or use groundwater for the purpose of watering landscaping plants planted on or after January 1, 1987 within any publicly owned right-of-way of a highway, street, road, sidewalk, curb or shoulder that is used for travel in any ordinary mode, including pedestrian travel, only if the plants are listed in Appendix 5-L. The director may waive this requirement upon request from the municipal provider or individual user if the municipal provider or individual user demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Director that the plants listed in Appendix 5-L, Low Water Use Plant List for the Phoenix Active Management Area, or any subsequent modifications to the low water use plant list, cannot grow in the publicly owned right-of-way because of high elevation or low-light conditions, such as a freeway underpass. This requirement does not apply to any portion of a residential lot that extends into a publicly owned right-of-way.”

The purpose of the requirement is twofold. First, to reduce the amount of water used for right-of-way landscaping. Second, to set an example for the public by landscaping these highly visible areas with low water use plant materials.

**LIST DEVELOPMENT**

The Low Water Using Plant List for the Phoenix AMA was compiled by the Department in cooperation with the Arizona Municipal Water Users' Landscape Technical Committee (AMWUA LTC). The committee is comprised of experts from the Desert Botanical Gardens, Arizona Department of Transportation and various nurserymen and landscape specialists from the Phoenix AMA.

**MODIFICATION**

A person who seeks to add a plant or plants to the Low Water Using Plant List for the Phoenix AMA or to delete a plant or plants from the list may apply at any time to the Director of the Department of Water Resources for a modification of the list. Application forms for modification to the list are available from the Phoenix AMA. Applications are reviewed by the AMWUA LTC for possible addition or deletion to the list. The applicant is invited to attend the meeting to discuss their proposed addition(s) or deletion(s).

Information on actual consumptive use of landscape plants is currently not available. Therefore, the recommendation of the AMWUA LTC is based on a review of how the plant performs in limited water use conditions and its ability to rejuvenate itself, when more water is available.

Recommendations from the AMWUA LTC are forwarded to the Director for determination. The revisions to the list are then published in an addendum and/or incorporated into the list. The modification process takes 30-60 days upon receipt of the application.

**CONTACT**

If you have any questions regarding the Low Water Using Plant List, please contact the [Phoenix Active Management Area at \(602\)771-8585](#). If you have any questions regarding the Plant List for other AMAs, contact the appropriate office listed below:

TUCSON AMA (520)628-5858  
PINAL AMA (520)836-4857

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