



# UTAH POLLINATOR HABITAT PROGRAM

## Threadleaf Groundsel (*Senecio flaccidus*)



**Zone:** 6-10

**Color:** Yellow

**Bloom Time:** April to November

**Plant Type:** Perennial shrub

**Mature Height:** 6-12 inches

**Mature Spread:** 6-12 inches

**Water Use:** Low

**Soil Type:** Sandy and rocky soils preferred, tolerates poor soils.

**Range and Native Habitat:** *Senecio flaccidus*' range extends from the central to southwestern Great Plains, encompassing states like Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Texas, and Utah, and includes parts of northern and central Mexico. This plant thrives in dry, open, and disturbed habitats like dry washes, desert grasslands, and pinyon-juniper woodlands.

**Suggested Maintenance:** Avoid wet winter soil conditions, prune in early spring for shaping and to remove dead.

**Other:** Several moth species larval stages are associated with Threadleaf Groundsel, but in particular it is the only host plant for the Oso Flaco Flightless Moth (*Areniscythris brachypteris*).

### Wildlife Supported



### Distribution Map



### Landscaping Information



**Sun**  
Full sun



**Water Needs**  
Very low



**Summer Irrigation**  
Max 1x / month once established



**Soil Drainage**  
Fast



**Propagation**  
By seed, 1-2 mos stratification, or stem cuttings