

# Soapstone Prairie Natural Area Early June Plants



## bladderpod

*Lesquerella montana* (Mustard family) native  
This plant is usually found on granitic soils. It grows relatively close to the ground with small 4-petaled flowers



## Western wallflower

*Erysimum* *cspp.*  
(Mustard family)  
native  
These are among the showier and most abundant of the yellow plants.



## Meadow death camas

*Zigadenus venenosus*  
(Lily family) native  
poisonous plant whose leaves closely resemble wild onion

## Narrow-leaf puccoon

*Lithospermum incisum* (Borage family) native. Not too common and easily overlooked. Five petals



## Whisk broom parsley

*Harbouria trachypleura*  
(Parsley family) native  
Not edible



**White Locoweed** *Oxytropis sericea*  
*var. sericea* (Pea family) native

Beautiful showy flowers carpeting the prairie right now. However these can be harmful to livestock, especially horses



**Locoweed** *Oxytropis lambertii*  
(Pea family) native. A magenta form of locoweed. These are much sparser than the white locoweed. Several plants in this genus and others are called "locoweed"



The white and magenta locoweeds hybridize to generate a range of intermediate colors



**Skunkbush** *Rhus trilobata*  
(Sumac family) native  
Very common shrub at Soapstone. Both the wood and the berries which follow these clusters of small yellowish flowers were used by native Americans.