



City of Phoenix
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

**APPROVED PLANTS AND TOP DRESSING APPLICATION FOR
DEVELOPMENT ADJACENT TO THE RIO SALADO**

Botanical Name	Common Name
Trees	
<i>Olneya tesota</i>	<i>Ironwood</i>
<i>Parkinsonia florida</i>	<i>Blue Palo Verde</i>
<i>Parkinsonia microphyllum</i>	<i>Foothills Palo Verde</i>
<i>Populus fremontii</i>	<i>Cottonwood</i>
<i>Prosopis juliflora</i>	<i>Native Mesquite</i>
<i>Prosopis pubescens</i>	<i>Screwbean Mesquite</i>
<i>Prosopis velutina</i>	<i>Velvet Mesquite</i>
Small Trees	
<i>Acacia constricta</i>	<i>Whitethorn acacia</i>
<i>Acacia greggii</i>	<i>Catclaw acacia</i>
<i>Celtis pallida</i>	<i>Desert hackberry</i>
<i>Celtis reticulata</i>	<i>Netleaf hackberry</i>
<i>Chilopsis linearis</i>	<i>Desert willow</i>
<i>Sambucus Mexicana</i>	<i>Mexican elderberry</i>
Shrubs & Ground Covers	
<i>Abronia villosa</i>	<i>Sand verbena</i>
<i>Ambrosia ambrosioides</i>	<i>Giant Bursage</i>
<i>Ambrosia deltoidea</i>	<i>Triangle leaf bursage</i>
<i>Atriplex canescens</i>	<i>Four wing saltbush</i>
<i>Atriplex lentiformis</i>	<i>Quailbush</i>
<i>Baileya multiradiata</i>	<i>Desert marigold</i>
<i>Calliandra eriophylla</i>	<i>Fairy duster</i>
<i>Dodonaea viscosa</i>	<i>Hop bush</i>
<i>Dyssodia acerosa</i>	<i>Shrubby dogweed</i>
<i>Encelia farinosa</i>	<i>Brittlebush</i>
<i>Hymenoclea monogyra</i>	<i>Burrobush</i>
<i>Hymenoclea salsola</i>	<i>Burrobush</i>
<i>Hyptis emoryi</i>	<i>Desert lavender</i>

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Justicia californica	<i>Chuparosa</i>
Larrea tridentata	<i>Creosote</i>
Lycium fremontii	<i>Wolfberry</i>
Lycium exsertum	<i>Desert thorn</i>
Penstemon eatoni	<i>Firecracker penstemon</i>
Penstemon superbus	<i>Superb penstemon</i>
Simmondsia chinensis	<i>Jojoba</i>
Sphaeralcea ambigua	<i>Globemallow</i>
Trixis californica	<i>Trixis</i>
Viguiera deltoidea	<i>Goldeneye</i>
Zizyphus obtusifolia	<i>Greythorn</i>
Asclepias subulata / Asclepias angustifolia	<i>Milkweed</i>
Accents	
Aristida purpurea	<i>Purple threeawn</i>
Bouteloua curtipendula	<i>Sideoats grama</i>
Bouteloua gracilis	<i>Blue grama</i>
Fouquieria splendens	<i>Ocotillo</i>
Muhlenbergia rigens	<i>Deer grass</i>
Opuntia acanthocarpa	<i>Buckhorn cholla</i>
Opuntia engelmannii	<i>Engelman's prickly pear</i>
Pluchea sericea	<i>Arrowweed</i>
Yucca baccata	<i>Banana yucca</i>

The plant species listed above and or their equivalents are permitted, as approved by the Planning and Development Department. Hybrids/cultivar species are discouraged.

Top Dressing

Landscape areas adjacent to the Rio Salado project without a physical barrier should use a 4" layer of 2-12" river cobbles containing 50% 2"-6", 30% 4"-8" and 20% 8"-12".

Landscape areas with a physical barrier i.e. header, pavement, or building can use decomposed granite as approved by the Planning and Development Department.

Note: Only City approved landscape material may be planted within the City's right of way.

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