COMMON NAME: MEXICAN POPPY

SCIENTIFIC NAME: ESCHSCHOLTZIA MEXICANA

ALSO CALLED: DESERT GOLD POPPY, MOHAVE POPPY, GOLD POPPY, CALIFORNIA POPPY, AND MEXICAN GOLD POPPY

FLOWER COLOR: GOLDEN FLOWER ARRANGEMENT: INDIVIDUALLY ON THE ENDS OF BLANCHES FLOWERING TIME: FEBRUARY TO MAY LEAVES: COMPOUND FEATHERY LEAVES NORMAL SIZE: 6" TO 12" NORMAL ELEVATION: 1500' TO 3000' HABITATION: EVERYWHERE ABUNDANCE: WIDESPREAD

NOTABLE DETAILS: HERBACEOUS LOW MULTI-STEMMED PLANT WITH MANY LARGE GOLDEN FLOWERS WITH FEATHERY, DARK GREEN LEAVES

SPECIAL INTEREST: THEY ARE QUITE UNIQUE WITH THEIR FLAT, WIDE OPEN GOLDEN FLOWERS. THEY ARE ALSO THE MOST CELEBRATED FLOWER OF THE WHOLE STATE. WHEN THEY BLOOM, IN A MOIST YEAR, THE WHOLE STATE IS OUT TO APPRECIATE THEIR ABUNDANCE, MOST NOTABLY AT PICACHO PEAK, WHICH IS BETWEEN PHOENIX AND TUCSON.