COMMON NAME:

DESERT POPPY

SCIENTIFIC NAME:

ESCHSCHOLZIA GLYPTOSPERMA

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

FLOWER COLOR: YELLOW

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT: SINGLE FLOWER AT ENDS OF EACH BRANCH

FLOWERING TIME: FEBRUARY TO MAY

LEAVES: MUCH DIVIDED WIRY

NORMAL SIZE: UP TO 16" NORMAL ELEVATION: BELOW 4500'

HABITATION: LOW MOIST BASINS AND HILLSIDES IN ABUNDANT RAIN YEARS

ABUNDANCE: COMMON

NOTABLE DETAILS: HERBACEOUS MULTI-STEMMED PLANT WITH WIRY MUCH DIVIDED LEAVES AND LARGE YELLOW FLOWERS ON LONG STEMS. THE PETALS ARE SEPARATED RATHER THAN OVERLAPPING LIKE THE MEXICAN POPPY.