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NOTICE OF RELEASE OF 'WYTANA' FOURWING SALTBUSH

The Plant Sciences Division, Soil Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture, and the Agricultural Experiment Stations of Montana and Wyoming announce the release of 'WYTANA' fourwing saltbush (*Atriplex canescens aptera* (A. Nels.) C. L. Hitchc.). It was developed by the Soil Conservation Service Plant Materials Center, Bridger, Montana.

WYTANA is an open-pollinated line (experimental designation P-15585, PI-346419 and M-26) collected near Roundup, Montana, in 1960. The collection was directly increased without selection.

WYTANA is a long-lived perennial shrub with an extensive root system and a well developed tap root. The plants are mostly uni-sexual. Some bisexual plants are found within a plant population. These plants can exhibit both monoecious and hermaphroditic flower characteristics. Plants of WYTANA have good vigor. It is well adapted to coal mine reclamation and range revegetation in eastern Montana and Wyoming. Wildlife use is excellent.

WYTANA was tested and developed primarily for use in coal mine reclamation and range revegetation.

Breeder and foundation seed of WYTANA is maintained by the SCS Plant Materials Center, Bridger, Montana, and is increased under the limited generation program recognizing foundation and certified seed classes.

Release date of WYTANA fourwing saltbush is May 30, 1976.

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