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WILDFLOWER SEED MIX CARE

Germination and growth:

Wildflowers germinate and grow during the Southern California fall and winter season. The seed will germinate and grow subject to rainfall, ground temperature, daylight hours and time of year. Wildflowers do better if left to natural rainfall and seasonal conditions.

If the site has irrigation (permanent, automated system), use the system to supplement natural rainfall. Only water during the fall and winter months in between rain events to encourage germination. Ideally, wait to start irrigation until after the first post-seeding rain event. During long dry periods between rain events, water several times per day during daylight hours, keeping the surface area wet. Do not water during subsequent rain events.

Light supplemental fertilization may be beneficial; we recommend an agronomic soil test to determine what nutrients should be supplemented, if any.

Maintenance:

If the site has irrigation, after germination or for plants that are established, only water occasionally as needed to maintain healthy plants. Deep water to make sure moisture reaches the root zone then do not water again until dry.

Flowering takes place when the plants mature which can be from early winter through early summer. Wildflowers are mostly annual plants. They should be allowed to complete their cycle of flowering and setting seed. During the setting seed cycle, the plants will die while the seed ripens and irrigation should be discontinued. In order to promote wildflower germination for the next spring, allow the seed to drop before trimming the dead plants for the summer. The dying annual plants will be unattractive during the seed ripening period. Trimming before the seed ripens will eliminate re-seeding.