

# *Helianthus gracilentus*

## Slender Sunflower



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### PERENNIAL HERB

1.5 - 6.5' high, to 1' wide.

Rough-hairy stems.

Leaves 2.5 - 5" long, lance-shaped, hairy.

Flower heads in clusters, with yellow to red-brown centers, yellow rays up to 1" long.

Long flowering: Apr - Oct

Native Habitat: North coast ranges to San Diego and northern Baja.

Dry slopes, chaparral, woodlands to 6000'.

Full sun.

Fast drainage. Prefers sand, but tolerates soil.

Low water once established;

Max 1x/month in summer.

