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Increasing the overall population of native plants appropriate to the various regions of Oregon would yield important benefits, especially to provide appropriate habitat and reproductive hosts for native insects and to reduce water use by planting more drought-tolerant species than the non-native species often used in gardens and community spaces. It can be difficult to find information on plants native to particular areas, and so would be very helpful to have a website that provided such information for the variety of different ecosystems in Oregon. Those of us in Southern Oregon can generally rely on CalScape, but not so much for other parts of the state.