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Native Turf and Groundcover Recommendations Communities near Sacramento

This area is located in the Central California Valley ecoregion of [Mediterranean California](#).

Good individual species substitutes for Bermudagrass include:

Danthonia californica (California oatgrass)

Festuca rubra (red fescue)

Agrostis pallens (thingrass)

Deschampsia caespitosa (tufted hair-grass)

Carex praegracilis (clustered field sedge)

Juncus tenuis (path/poverty rush)

Festuca idahoensis (Idaho fescue)

Seed mixes that contain some combinations of the above species include:

Hedgerow Farms/Nature's Seed Native Fine Fescue Mix

<https://naturesseed.com/grass-seed/fescue-grass/native-fine-fescue-mix/>

Pacific Coast Seed Ornamental Fescue Mix

<https://www.pcseed.com/native-grasses/>

Other (non-native) turfgrass alternatives:

Northwest Meadows Apes Conservation Seed Co. Nearly Native Bee Lawn Seed Mix

<https://northwestmeadowsapes.com/collections/specialty-native-seed-mixes-for-pollinators-and-more/products/bee-lawn-seed-mix>

S&S Seeds Native Fescue Mix - not all species are native

<https://www.ssseeds.com/house-mixes/>

Pacific Coast Seed No-Mow Mix – not all species are native

<https://www.pcseed.com/turf/>

Zoysia sp. (Zoysiagrass) - an Asian introduction with many varieties that withstands drought but will go dormant