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It works by inhibiting the plants ability to make its own food, and can take up to 2-3 years to show full response.

Marilyn said, "One of the pastures treated has always been a horse pasture. However, until now, we couldn't see the horses! Chemical brush removal really works!"

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Seventy-five years ago a man had a vision for his land. Today that vision still exists and has been improved through generations of different perspectives, coordinated efforts with others involved and impacted, and a focus of taking care of the natural resources that continue to provide at the Sands Ranch. Marilyn and Kathy are continuing the legacy of their grandfather, showing what it means to care about conservation.

BEYOND Tucson Festival

Tucson PMC staff participates in local event

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Staff from the Tucson Plant Materials Center brought their expertise and a plant habit interactive matching game and display to the BEYOND: *Commemorate * Celebrate * Commit* Festival held at Tucson's Reid Park on January 7th. The festival grew out of a desire by community members to positively commemorate the spirit of togetherness and importance of place expressed in the aftermath of last year's shooting.

Ross Zimmerman, father of slain Giffords' staffer Gabe Zimmerman, sought to find a way to celebrate Gabe's life and his love of the outdoors. Started by Zimmerman as the Tucson Trails Tribute, 'BEYOND' grew to include a diverse group of southern Arizona individuals and groups, including public land management agencies. Festival events were to celebrate not only individual growth and togetherness, but a shared care and respect for the unique natural surroundings of southern Arizona and its public lands. In Zimmerman's words: "BEYOND commemorates the tragedy of January 8th, celebrates the spirit of togetherness we felt in the days and months afterward, and commits us to working together to build a stronger community through our actions every day."

Ross Zimmerman invited the Tucson Plant Materials Center to be a part of the festival to help educate citizens about native plants in the area.

Other participants in the day long festival included volunteers from the Arizona Sonora Desert Museum, The Tucson Herpetological Society and students from the University of Arizona's Tree Ring Research Lab.



Leslie Glass (PMC Webmaster/Secretary) and David Forestieri (PMC Farm Foreman) man a booth at the Tucson BEYOND Festival.