NMCNP Study Aids: Flash Card View
Grasses that May Appear on the NMCNP exam.

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Andropogon gerardii
(an-dro-PO-gon jer-ar-DEE-eye)
Big Bluestem
Bouteloua gracilis
(boo-tuh-LOO-ah GRAA-suh-lis)
Blue gramagrass
Calamagrostis × acutiflorus
(kal-ah-mah-GROSS-tiss ah-KYOO-tih-flor-ah)
Feather reedgrass
Calamagrostis arundinacea var. brachytricha
(kal-ah-mah-GROSS-tiss a-run-din-ACE-ee-a)
Feather reedgrass
Chasmanthium latifolium
(kaz-MAN-thi-um lat-ih-FOE-lee-um)
Northern Seaoats
Cortaderia selloana
(Kor-ta-DARE-ee-a se-lo-AH-na)
Pampas Grass
Elymus glaucus
(EE-li-mus GLOW-cus)
Blue Lyme Grass, Blue Wildrye
Festuca glauca
(fess-TOO-kah GLOCK-uh)
Blue Fescue
Festuca idahoensis
(fess-TOO-kah eye-da-ho-EN-sis)
Idaho Fescue

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Festuca ovina
(fess-TOO-ka oh-VINE-uh)
Sheep Fescue
Helictotrichon sempervirens
(hel-ik-toe-TRY-kon sem-per-VEER-enz)
Blue Avena
*Miscanthus sinensis*

(mis-KAN-thus sin-EN-sis )
Maidengrass
Muhlenbergia capillaris
(moo-lan-BERG-ee-uh cap-il-AIR-is)
Hairawn Muhly, Pink Muhly
Nassella tenuissima
(nas-SEL-lah ten-yew-ISS-ih-mah)
Mexican Feathergrass
Oryzopsis (Achnatherum) hymenoides
(or-ry-ZOP-sis hy-men-OH-i-dees)
Indian Rice Grass
Panicum virgatum
(PAN-ih-kum vir-GAH-tum
Switchgrass

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Pennisetum alopecuroides
(pen-nih-SEE-tum al-oh-pek-yur-OY-deez) Hardy Fountaingrass
Pennisetum setaceum
(pen-nih-SEE-tum se-TAY-see-um)
Annual Fountaingrass
*Phalaris arundinacea* ‘Picta’
(fah-LAR-iss ah-run-din-AY-see-ah 'PIC-ta)
Ribbongrass
Phyllostachys aurea
(fi-LO-sta-kis ARE-ee-uh)
Golden Bamboo
Phyllostachys aureosulcata
(fi-LO-sta-kis ow-ree-o-sul-KA-ta)
Yellow Groove Bamboo
Phyllostachys nigra
(fi-LO-sta-kis NY-gra)
Black Bamboo
Saccharum ravennae
(SAK-har-um rah-VEN-nay)
Plume grass
Schizachyrium scoparium
(skiz-ah-KEER-ee-um skoe-PAR-ee-um)
Little bluestem
Sporabolus wrightii
(sor-GAS-trum RITE-ee-eye)
Giant Sacaton