

Wyoming Basins Low Sagebrush Shrubland

Sagebrush dwarf-shrublands that occur in a variety of dry habitats throughout the basins of central and southern WY. *Artemisia tripartita* ssp. *rupicola*-dominated dwarf-shrublands typically occur on wind-swept ridges and south and west aspect slopes above 2135 m.

Artemisia nova-dominated dwarf-shrublands occur on shallow, coarse-textured, calcareous substrates at lower elevations. Other shrubs and dwarf-shrubs present may include *Purshia tridentate* and other species of *Artemisia*. Common graminoids include *Festuca idahoensis*, *Koeleria macrantha*, *Pseudoroegneria spicata*, and *Poa secunda*. Many forbs also occur and may dominate the herbaceous vegetation.

Poor = <10% shrub cover, low forb diversity, few natives, high invasives

Fair = 10-20% shrub cover, moderate native forb/grass mix, few invasives

Good = >20% shrub cover, diverse native forbs, few or no invasives