

## **North American Warm Desert Lower Montane Riparian Woodland and Shrubland**

Mid- to low-elevation (1100-1800 m) riparian corridors along perennial and seasonally intermittent streams. The vegetation is a mix of riparian woodlands and shrublands.

Dominant trees include *Populus angustifolia*, *Populus deltoides* ssp. *wislizeni*, *Populus fremontii*, *Platanus wrightii*, *Juglans major*, *Fraxinus velutina*, and *Sapindus saponaria*. Shrub dominants include *Salix exigua*, *Prunus* spp., *Alnus oblongifolia*, and *Baccharis salicifolia*.

Poor = <10% woody cover, depauperate understory with low forb diversity, high invasives

Fair = 10-20% woody cover, moderate native forb/grass understory, few invasives

Good = >20% woody cover with understory and overstory, diverse native forbs, few or no invasives