

### **Sonora-Mojave Creosotebush-White Bursage Desert Scrub**

Characterized by a sparse to moderately dense layer (2-50% cover) of xeromorphic microphyllous and broad-leaved shrubs. *Larrea tridentata* and *Ambrosia dumosa* are typically dominants, but many different shrubs, dwarf-shrubs, and cacti may codominate. Associated species may include *Atriplex* spp, *Encelia farinosa*, *Ephedra nevadensis*, *Fouquieria splendens*, *Lycium andersonii*, and *Opuntia basilaris*. The herbaceous layer is typically sparse. Herbaceous species such as *Chamaesyce* spp., *Eriogonum inflatum*, *Dasyochloa pulchella*, *Aristida* spp., *Cryptantha* spp., *Nama* spp., and *Phacelia* spp. are common.

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