

## **Inter-Mountain Basins Montane Sagebrush Steppe**

Sagebrush communities occurring at montane and subalpine elevations from 1000 m in eastern OR and WA to over 3000 m in the s Rockies. Dominated or codominated by *Artemisia tridentata* ssp. *vaseyana*, *A. tridentata* ssp. *spiciformis*, and *A. arbuscula* ssp. *arbuscula*. *Symphoricarpos* spp. may codominate some stands. Most stands have an abundant perennial herbaceous layer (over 25% cover); common graminoids include *Festuca* spp, *Hesperostipa comata*, *Poa* spp, *Elymus trachycaulus*, *Bromus carinatus*, *Leucopoa kingii*, *Deschampsia caespitosa*, *Calamagrostis rubescens*, and *Pseudoroegneria spicata*.

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