# **COLORADO NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY**

#### **Articles of Incorporation**

## ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is the Colorado Native Plant Society (CoNPS).

# ARTICLE II

The period of duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.

## ARTICLE III

The purposes for which the corporation is formed are as follows:

1. To encourage the appreciation and conservation of the native plants and ecosystems of Colorado by such methods as may be deemed appropriate by the Society, including, but not limited to, identification of habitat and ecosystems, identification of threatened or endangered plants, acquisition of land, participating in governmental and educational programs, encouraging the State of Colorado to enter into cooperative agreements with the United States concerning threatened or endangered plants pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-205:87 Stat. 884) or other legislation and to cooperate with other organizations with similar purposes.

2. To take and hold, by bequest, devise, gift, purchase, lease or otherwise, either absolutely or in trust, for and of its purposes, any property, real, personal or mixed, without limitation as to amount or value: to own (and while the owner of any stocks, bonds, securities, notes or other evidences of indebtedness created or issued by any corporation or association organized under the laws of any state, country, nation or government, to exercise and enjoy all of the rights, powers and privileges of ownership, including the right to vote in respect thereof, with power to designate some party for that purpose from time to time, to the same extent that natural persons might or could do), operate, use, enjoy, manage, improve, mortgage, pledge, lease, assign, sell or otherwise dispose of any such property; to change and vary the investments of the Society from time to time and to invest and reinvest its funds in any securities or property deemed proper by its Board of Directors for such investments; and, in general, to deal with and expend the property and funds of the Society for the purposes thereof in such a manner as in the judgment of its Board of Directors will best promote its purposes.