

# Pollination of Spring Wildflowers Workshop with University of California, Berkeley & University of California, Davis

## 2009 Accomplishments

During this workshop, we examined selected aspects of the pollination ecology of the Hastings Reserve's spring wildflowers. Field exercises included demonstrations of how and when flowers make their pollen and nectar rewards available to pollinators and how pollinators use their adaptations to extract floral resources. Various bee groups were examined under magnification to observe relevant morphological adaptations. Participants were introduced to a wide variety of methods that are used to study pollination relationships. Talks were presented on the topics of pollination syndromes in plants, bee diversity, global pollinator decline, and encouraging pollinators in your backyard environment.



Figure 2. Dr. Robbin Thorpe, University of California Professor Emeritus , Instructor at Bee Workshop

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