Pollinator Habitat

Objective:

- Create two different types of pollinator habitats to see if you can attract bees to your backyard. Use the bees of Oregon ID sheets to see if you can identify visiting pollinators.

Supplies:

**Bee Bath:**
- Small dish
- Rocks

**Bee Hotel:**
- A waterproof container, such as a milk carton, bucket, pipe or old crate.
- Straws or natural stalks, such as bamboo or raspberry canes

Instructions:

- For the bee bath: Just like birds need water, so do bees and other pollinators. You can help us out by putting out a small dish of water next to your bee hotel or garden, or put some rocks in a bird bath so that we have something to land on before we take a sip!
- For the bee hotel: Insert straws or natural stalks into container. Add straws or natural stalks, such as bamboo. Hang your bee hotel outside, facing south or southeast. Watch your bee hotel for bees!
Bees of Oregon

A selection from the more than 500 species found in Oregon

European Honey Bee
Red Nomad Bee
Longhorn Bee
Nevada Bumblebee
Metallic Sweat Bee
Blue Orchard Bee
Cuckoo Bee
Vosnesenskii’s Bumblebee
Large Sweat Bee
Digger Bee
Pugnacious Leaf-cutter Bee
Mining Bee
Small Carpenter Bee
Wool-Carrier Bee
Hoplitidae Leaf-Cutting Bee
Small Sweat Bee
Cuckoo-leaf-cutter Bee
Green Leaf-Cutting Bee