Feather Bush / Desert Fern (Common Name)

Lysiloma watsonii (Scientific Name)

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Canopy potential: 12’ – 15’ wide

Annual Growth Rate: 24”

Powerline Compatible: 12’ – 15’ from base

Root Damage Potential: Low

Leaves: 20 to 35 pairs of tiny leaflets that are each linear to oblong to 3/16 inch long, leaves turn golden yellow and fall off in Spring, but quickly replaced in Spring.

Flowers: Creamy white small 'puff-ball' flowers in clusters in late Spring.

ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

Water Use: Low

Edible Fruit Producing: No

Allergenic: Low

BVOC Emissions: Moderate

Sonoran Desert Native: Yes

Invasive Species: No

Tree Care: Tolerant in most soils, plant in full sun. Supplemental water encourages growth. Prune to make three major branches.