



# Project BudBurst

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**Common Name:** Lanceleaf spring beauty, Western spring beauty  
**Scientific Name:** *Claytonia lanceolata*  
**Plant Family:** Portulacaceae

### Identifying Characteristics:

**Size:** Lanceleaf spring beauty is a small, perennial forb, growing to only about 7.5 to 15 cm (3 to 6 in) in height.

**Leaves:** 1-6 lance-shaped, basal leaves; often absent at flowering.

**Flowers:** small flowers, 8-14 mm (0.3 to 0.5 in), with white to pink petals

**Habitat:** Sagebrush and montane foothills to alpine areas in the Western U.S., particularly where snow persists; 500-3000 m (1600 to 9800 ft)

**Bloom time:** April-July



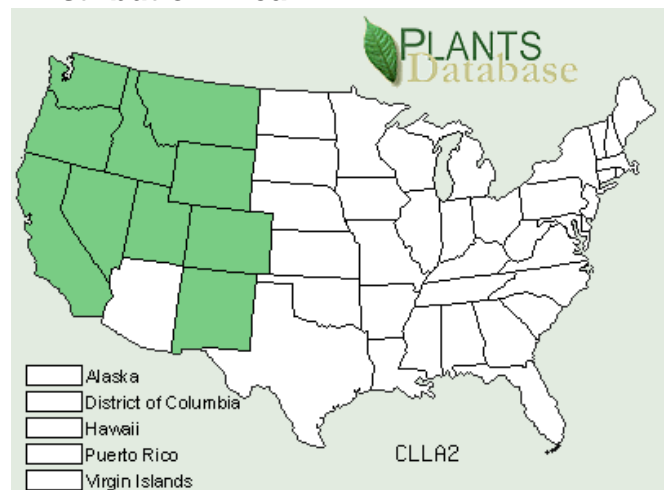
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**Phenological observation:**  
First Flower

### Distribution Area:



**Did you know?** The roots of spring beauty are a favorite food of marmots and bears.