

Prepared November 2011		Grasses Reported In Johnson County Iowa			
Family	Genus	Species	Origin	Iowa C of C	Common Name(s)
Poaceae	Agrostis	Agrostis gigantea	introduced		redtop
		Agrostis hyemalis	native	4	ticklegass, winter bentgrass
		Agrostis perennans	native	6	upland grass
		Agrostis stolonifera	introduced		creeping bentgrass
	Alopecurus	Alopecurus aequalis var. <i>aequalis</i>	native	6	foxtail, shortawn foxtail
		Alopecurus carolinianus	native	0	common foxtail, tufted foxtail, Carolina foxtail
	Andropogon	Andropogon gerardii	native	4	big bluestem
	Aristida	Aristida basiramea	native	2	fork-tip three-awn grass
		Aristida dichotoma var. <i>curtissii</i> A. Gray	native	5	Curtiss three-awn grass, poverty grass
		Aristida longespica var. <i>geniculata</i> (Raf.) Fernald	native	5	slimspike three-awn
		Aristida oligantha	native	0	plains three-awn grass, prairie threeawn
	Avena	Avena sativa	introduced		cultivated oats, common oat
	Bouteloua	Bouteloua curtipendula	native	6	side-oats grama
		Bouteloua hirsuta	native	7	hairy grama
	Brachyelytrum	Brachyelytrum erectum	native	8	long-awned wood grass, bearded shorthusk
	Bromus	Bromus commutatus	introduced		hairy chess, bald brome, meadow brome
		Bromus inermis	nat/intro		smooth brome
		Bromus japonicus	introduced		Japonese brome, field brome
		Bromus kalmii	native	10	prairie brome
		Bromus latiglumis	native	7	early leaf brome
		Bromus pubescens	native	9	Canada brome, hairy woodland brome
		Bromus secalinus	introduced		cheat grass, rye brome
		Bromus tectorum	introduced		downy chess, cheatgrass
	Buchloe	Buchloe dactyloides	native	7	buffalo grass
	Calamagrostis	Calamagrostis canadensis	native	5	bluejoint
	Cenchrus	Cenchrus longispinus	native	0	sandbur
	Chloris	Chloris verticillata	native		windmill grass
	Cinna	Cinna arundinacea	native	4	wood reed
	Dactylis	Dactylis glomerata	introduced		orchard grass
	Diarrhena	Diarrhena obovata	native	6	beak grass, obovate beakgrain
	Dichanthelium	Dichanthelium acuminatum subsp. <i>fasciculatum</i> (Torr.) Freckmann & Lelong	native		western panicgrass
		Dichanthelium acuminatum subsp. <i>implicatum</i> (Scribner) Freckmann & Lelong	native	3	western panicgrass
		Dichanthelium latifolium	native	8	broad-leaved panic grass, Broadleaf rosette grass
		Dichanthelium leibergii	native	6	Leiberg's panic grass, Leiberg's panicum
		Dichanthelium linearifolium	native	6	slim-leaved panic grass
		Dichanthelium oligosanthes subsp. <i>oligosanthes</i>	native	7	Heller's witchgrass, Heller's rosette grass
		Dichanthelium oligosanthes subsp. <i>scribnerianum</i> (Nash) Freckmann & Lelong	native		Scribner's rosette grass, Few-flowered panicgrass
		Dichanthelium ovale subsp. <i>praecocius</i> (Hitchc & Chase) Freckmann & Lelong	native		stiff-leaved panicgrass
		Dichanthelium ovale subsp. <i>pseudopubescens</i> (Nash) Freckmann & Lelong	native		whitehair rosette grass
		Dichanthelium perlongum	native	5	long-stalked panicgrass
	Digitaria	Digitaria cognata	native		fall witchgrass
		Digitaria ischaemum	introduced		smooth crabgrass
		Digitaria sanguinalis	introduced		common crabgrass
	Echinochloa	Echinochloa crusgalli	introduced		barnyard grass
		Echinochloa muricata	native	3	American barnyard grass, Spiny barnyard grass
	Eleusine	Eleusine indica	introduced		goose grass
	Elymus	Elymus canadensis var. <i>brachystachys</i> (Scribner & C. R. Ball) Farw.	native		Canada wildrye
		Elymus canadensis var. <i>canadensis</i>	native	5	Canada wild rye
		Elymus canadensis var. <i>robustus</i> (Scribner & J. G. Sm.) Mack. & Bush	native		Canada wildrye
		Elymus hystrix var. <i>hystrix</i>	native		bottlebrush grass
		Elymus repens	introduced		quackgrass
		Elymus riparius	native	5	riverbank wild rye
		Elymus submuticus	native		awnless wildrye
		Elymus villosus var. <i>villosus</i>	native	5	slender wild rye
		Elymus virginicus var. <i>virginicus</i>	native	3	Virginia wild rye
	Eragrostis	Eragrostis cilianensis	introduced		stinkgrass
		Eragrostis frankii	native	6	sandbar love grass, lacegrass
		Eragrostis hypnoides	native	2	pony grass, teal lovegrass
		Eragrostis pectinacea	native	0	small love grass
		Eragrostis pilosa	native		India love grass
		Eragrostis spectabilis	native	2	purple love grass
	Festuca	Festuca ovina	introduced		sheep festuca
		Festuca paradoxa	native	6	greater nodding fescue, cluster fscue
		Festuca subverticillata	native		nodding fescue
	Glyceria	Glyceria septentrionalis	native	8	eastern manna grass, floating mannagrass
		Glyceria striata	native	5	fowl manna grass
	Hesperostipa	Hesperostipa spartea	native		porcupinegrass
	Hierochloa	Hierochloa odorata	native	7	sweetgrass, holygrass, vanillagrass
	Hordeum	Hordeum jubatum	native	0	squirrel-tail barley
		Hordeum pusillum	native		little barley
		Hordeum vulgare	introduced		barley
	Koeleria	Koeleria macrantha	native	7	junegrass
	Leersia	Leersia lenticularis	native	7	catchfly grass
		Leersia oryzoides	native	2	rice cutgrass
		Leersia virginica	native	6	white cutgrass, whitegrass
	Lolium	Lolium perenne	introduced		perennial ryegrass
	Melica	Melica nitens	native	7	three-flowered melic grass
	Miscanthus	Miscanthus sacchariflorus	introduced		plumgrass
	Muhlenbergia	Muhlenbergia frondosa	native	3	wirestem muhly
		Muhlenbergia mexicana	native	5	marsh wild Timoth
		Muhlenbergia racemosa	native	4	marsh muhly
		Muhlenbergia schreberi	native	1	nimblewill
		Muhlenbergia sobolifera	native	7	rock muhly
		Muhlenbergia sylvatica	native	7	scratchgrass, Forest muhly
		Muhlenbergia tenuiflora	native	7	slender muhly, Slender satin grass
	Panicum	Panicum capillare subsp. <i>capillare</i>	native	0	witchgrass, old witchgrass tickgrass, tumblegrass
		Panicum dichotomiflorum subsp. <i>dichotomiflorum</i>	native	0	knee grass, fall panicum
		Panicum miliaceum subsp. <i>miliaceum</i>	introduced		proso millet
		Panicum virgatum	native	5	switchgrass
	Pascopyrum	Pascopyrum smithii	native		western wheatgrass, bluestem wheatgrass
	Paspalum	Paspalum setaceum var. <i>stramineum</i> (Nash) D. J. Banks	native	4	thin paspalum, beadgrass
	Phalaris	Phalaris arundinacea	introduced		reed canary grass
		Phalaris canariensis	introduced		canary grass
	Phleum	Phleum pratense	introduced		timothy
	Phragmites	Phragmites australis	native	0	common reed
	Poa	Poa annua	introduced		annual bluegrass
		Poa chapmaniana	native	1	chapman's bluegrass
		Poa compressa	introduced		Canadian bluegrass
		Poa palustris	introduced	5	fowl meadow grass, fowl bluegrass
		Poa pratensis	introduced		Kentucky bluegrass
		Poa sylvestris	native	10	woodland bluegrass
	Schedonorus	Schedonorus phoenix	introduced		tall fescue
		Schedonorus pratensis	introduced		meadow fescur
	Schizachyrium	Schizachyrium scoparium	native	5	little bluestem
	Secale	Secale cereale	introduced		cult rye
	Setaria	Setaria faberi	introduced		nodding foxtail, giant foxtail
		Setaria pumila subsp. <i>pumila</i>	introduced		yellow foxtail
		Setaria verticillata	introduced		bur bristlegrass, bristly foxtail
		Setaria viridis var. <i>major</i> (Gaudin) Peterm.	introduced		giant green foxtail, green bristlegress
		Setaria viridis var. <i>viridis</i>	introduced		green foxtail
	Sorghastrum	Sorghastrum nutans	native	4	Indian grass
	Sorghum	Sorghum bicolor subsp. <i>drummondii</i> (Nees) de Wet	introduced		sudangrass
	Spartina	Spartina pectinata	native	4	slough grass, cord grass
	Sphenopholis	Sphenopholis intermedia	native		slender wedgegrass
		Sphenopholis obtusata	native	4	prairie wedgegrass
	Sporobolus	Sporobolus compositus var. <i>compositus</i>	native		rough dropseed
		Sporobolus cryptandrus	native	3	sand dropseed
		Sporobolus heterolepis	native	9	prairie dropseed
		Sporobolus vaginiflorus	native	1	poverty dropseed
	Tridens	Tridens flavus var. <i>flavus</i>	native	0	purpletop
	Triplasis	Triplasis purpurea var. <i>purpurea</i>	native	5	purple sandgrass
	Triticum	Triticum aestivum	introduced		Cultivated wheat
	Vulpia	Vulpia octoflora var. <i>glauca</i> (Nutt.) Fernald	native		sixweeks fescue
		Vulpia octoflora var. <i>octoflora</i>	native		sixweeks fescue
	Zea	Zea mays subsp. <i>mays</i>	introduced		Cultivated corn
	Zizania	Zizania palustris var. <i>interior</i> (Fassett) Dore	native		wildrice
Total for Poaceae	54 genera	126 species			
	Data sources:	Grasses of Iowa , USDA Plants , Freckmaann Herbarium , C of C			