

Equisetum arvense
HORSETAIL (Horsetails Family)

in the **Peacock Prairie** at the **James Woodworth Prairie Preserve**



A vascular plant that reproduce by spores rather than seeds (it is not a flower). Commonly known as Field Horsetail, Common Horsetail, or Horsetail. A bushy perennial native to the northern hemisphere. Considered a nuisance plant because it is next to impossible to eradicate. At the Peacock/Woodworth Prairie, Horsetail grows to about 13" (33 cm); distributes spores when just emerging from the ground early in May, and then grows into its bushy, vegetative stage over the summer.

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