



Fuzz & Buzz™ Seed Mix for Solar Arrays

Ernst Conservation Seeds, the largest producer of native grass and wildflower seeds in the eastern United States, has partnered with Ernst Pollinator Service, a leader in pollinator establishment in all types of habitats, and the American Solar Grazing Association (ASGA), a non-profit trade organization devoted to promoting the grazing of sheep on solar installations, to develop the new Fuzz & Buzz™ Seed Mix.

The Fuzz & Buzz™ seed mix was developed to address the unique nutritional needs of sheep, while providing a low-growing, easily maintained and sustainable vegetation solution for solar installations. The plant species chosen for the mix were vetted by experts at the Cornell University Sheep Program for their palatability to sheep.

The diversity of grass and flowering species in the mix adds the ecological benefit of providing pollen and nectar sources for honeybees, native pollinator species, birds and other wildlife.



Robin Ernst, president of Ernst Pollinator Service, said, "We embrace new and inventive ways for America's farmers to make their land productive and profitable, sometimes in ways they might not have previously considered. Solar sites offer many landowners just such an opportunity on their property. The addition of grazing potential for sheep on these sites can multiply that profitability even further. And when those sites bring with them habitat for pollinators, it's a winning proposition on many fronts."

"What could be better than a seed mix designed for solar sites that is durable, intended for grazing and biodiverse enough to support a range of pollinator species," said Lexie Hain, executive director of the ASGA. She continued, "This is the launch of the newest in solar: solar pastures."

"Our mission is to provide seeds that solve problems ecologically," said Calvin Ernst, president of Ernst Conservation Seeds. "With the Fuzz & Buzz™ seed mix, we're able to offer a three-part solution that minimizes maintenance for solar operators, provides an opportunity for sheep graziers who need additional pasture, and improves soil health and biodiversity for the benefit of pollinators and wildlife."

A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the mix will be donated to the ASGA in support of its mission.



Contact customer service at **Ernst Conservation Seeds** for current pricing and formulation.

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Fuzz & Buzz™ Mix — Premium

(ERNMX-147)

Lolium perenne, Tetraploid (Perennial Ryegrass, Tetraploid)

Dactylis glomerata (Orchardgrass)

Festuca elatior (Meadow Fescue)

Poa pratensis (Kentucky Bluegrass (pasture type))

Trifolium hybridum (Alsike Clover)

Trifolium pratense, Medium (Red Clover, Medium)

Trifolium incarnatum (Crimson Clover)

Chrysanthemum leucanthemum (Oxeye Daisy)

Cichorium intybus (Blue Chicory)

Lotus corniculatus (Bird's Foot Trefoil)

Aster prenanthoides (Zigzag Aster)

Coreopsis lanceolata (Lanceleaf Coreopsis)

Solidago juncea (Early Goldenrod)

Tradescantia ohiensis (Ohio Spiderwort)

Zizia aurea (Golden Alexanders)

Seeding Rate: Expect to apply about 28 lbs per acre.

Fuzz & Buzz™ Mix — Standard

(ERNMX-146)

Lolium perenne, Tetraploid (Perennial Ryegrass, Tetraploid)

Dactylis glomerata (Orchardgrass)

Festuca elatior (Meadow Fescue)

Poa pratensis (Kentucky Bluegrass (pasture type))

Trifolium hybridum (Alsike Clover)

Trifolium pratense, Medium (Red Clover, Medium)

Chrysanthemum leucanthemum (Oxeye Daisy)

Cichorium intybus (Blue Chicory)

Lotus corniculatus (Bird's Foot Trefoil)

Coreopsis lanceolata (Lanceleaf Coreopsis)

Solidago juncea (Early Goldenrod)

Seeding Rate: Expect to apply about 26.5 lbs per acre.



Note: Mix formulations are subject to change without notice depending on the availability of existing and new products. While the formula may change, the guiding philosophy and function of the mix will not.

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