Penstemon digitalis  •  beardtongue

PLANT CHARACTERISTICS: white, tubular blooms.  H= 3-5’  Spread 1.5-2’

DESIRED SITE LOCATION & SPACING:
- full sun to part shade
- dry to medium soil
- drought tolerance = medium
- 10” between plants and rows
  (recommended spacing (18-24”)

ECOLOGICAL BENEFITS:
- Wildlife: flowers attract hummingbirds and long-tongued bumblebees
- Conspicuous Flowers: yes
- Attracts: hummingbirds
- Nectar Source: yes
Seed Stratification: cool and moist, 30 – 60 days
Seed-Sow to Finished Plug: February to mid-May (14 weeks)
Outplanting: late May - June
Flowering Period: June – July

SOWING & SEED DEPTH:
- Sow 3 seeds per cell; cover with media equal to thickness of the seed (⅛”)

SEED COLLECTION:
- September
- harvest only top portion of stem with pods, leaving the remaining stem for overwintering insects
- harvest pods once they have turned to a dark brown
- seeds are mature when they rattle inside the pods when shaken
- remove pod husk from seed prior to storage

PESTS & DISEASE: none of note