

## celandine poppy *Stylophorum diphyllum*

Kingdom: Plantae

Division/Phylum: Magnoliophyta

Class: Magnoliopsida

Order: Papaverales

Family: Papaveraceae

ILLINOIS STATUS common, native

### FEATURES

The celandine poppy is a perennial plant. Its hairy stems grow to about 12 inches tall and have yellow sap. Leaves are produced at the base and along the stem. All the leaves are hairy and pinnately lobed. Each leaf grows to about 10 inches long. Flowers are produced in clusters of one to four at the tip of the stem. Each flower has four yellow petals and may be up to two inches wide. The fruit is a hairy capsule, up to one inch long.

### BEHAVIORS

The celandine poppy may be found in the southern one-fourth of Illinois and in Vermilion and Cook counties. It grows in rich woods. Flowers are produced from March through May.

### HABITATS

Aquatic Habitats

none

Woodland Habitats

upland deciduous forests

Prairie and Edge Habitats

none

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