

prairie cinquefoil

Drymocallis arguta

Kingdom: Plantae
Division: Magnoliophyta
Class: Magnoliopsida
Order: Rosales
Family: Rosaceae

ILLINOIS STATUS
common, native

FEATURES

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Aquatic Habitats

none

Woodland Habitats

upland deciduous forests

Prairie and Edge Habitats

black soil prairie; gravel prairie; sand prairie