

Fiddleneck, *Amsinkia intermedia*



Identification: Erect two to three foot hairy annual. Alternate, lanceolate hairy leaves. Orange-yellow flowers in terminal “fiddle-neck” raceme; flowers all on one side of the axis. Fruit a nutlet.

Habitat: Dry, cultivated soils and waste areas

Animals Affected: Horses, cattle and pigs

Toxin Family: Pyrrolizidine alkaloids

Other: Causes liver necrosis. Can also cause nitrate poisoning under certain conditions. Seeds are most toxic.

