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What Do You Know about the Birds and the Bees? They Feed Your Flowers and Feed You

(Phoenix) With bee attacks in the news, the public forgets why the birds and bees are important. These pollinators along with bats, butterflies and pollinating insects are responsible for fruits, vegetables, flowers and cotton. Most food crops that start with a flower, such as melons, strawberries and pumpkins, depend on pollinators to produce the fruits.

Hummingbirds may be the favorite pollinators among city dwellers. The colorful birds hover while eating by flapping their wings about 50 times per second. To celebrate National Pollinator Week, the Department of Agriculture is joining with the Arizona Nursery Association to show off plants that thrive in Valley landscapes and attract hummingbirds.

WHAT: Attracting hummingbirds to your yard
WHEN: 1:15 p.m., June 21, 2016
WHERE: 1237 E Minnezona Ave, Phoenix 85014
WHO: Agriculture Director Mark Killian
Arizona Nursery Association Past President Jay Harper



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