

- 1 1. Plants with long rhizomes or stolons, often occurring in large colonies; receptacle 1220 mm in diameter at flowering; disc florets with the corolla 4.56.0 mm long ... 3. **E. PULCHELLUS** *Erigeron pulchellus* var. *pulchellus*
- 2 1. Plants sometimes with few short offsets (in *E. philadelphicus*) but not producing rhizomes or stolons, not colonial; receptacle 615 mm in diameter at flowering; disc florets with the corolla 1.53.5 mm long
- 3 2. Stem leaves with the base rounded to shallowly cordate and more or less clasping the stem; ray florets 120400; disc corollas 2.53.5 mm long ... 2. **E. PHILADELPHICUS** *Erigeron philadelphicus*
- 4 2. Stem leaves with the base tapered to narrowly rounded, not or only slightly clasping the stem; ray florets 50125; disc corollas 1.52.5 mm long
- 5 3. Pappus of the ray and disc florets similar, both with 1 or more inner series of longer bristles and an outer series of shorter bristles or scales; stems 1045 cm long; leaves 15 cm long ... 5. **E. TENUIS** *Erigeron tenuis*
- 6 3. Pappus of the ray and disc florets dissimilar, the disc florets with 1 or more inner series of longer bristles and an outer series of shorter bristles or scales, the ray florets lacking the inner series of longer bristles; stems 30150 cm long; leaves 115 cm long (species sometimes difficult to distinguish)
- 7 4. Stems (50)60150 cm long, the hairs mostly spreading; stem leaves usually relatively numerous, the blade oblanceolate to elliptic or lanceolate, all but the uppermost usually with several sharp teeth on each side, these often produced from below the midpoint to the tip ... 1. **E. ANNUUS** *Erigeron annuus*
- 8 4. Stems 3070(90) cm long, the pubescence mostly of appressed to ascending hairs (some of the longer hairs sometimes spreading toward the tip); stem leaves often relatively few, the blade linear to oblanceolate, the margins entire or with few irregular teeth toward the tip ... 4. **E. STRIGOSUS** *Erigeron strigosus* var. *strigosus*