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Non-natives also tend to form dense, mono-culture communities that exclude the native species that do provide the needed habitat and food value.

The Little Rock Sustainability Commission consulted a team of diverse stakeholders who identified non-native plant species which are recommended on the existing Landscape Ordinance that warrant restrictions based on the economic and environmental harm that they cause.

On February 23, 2023, the Little Rock City Beautiful Commission voted to recommend changes to the City's Landscape Ordinance in order to restrict the use of invasive plant species in commercial landscapes due to invasive plant species' interference with the ecosystem and natural habitats and in order to have more plant species native to the area.