**Red Bottlebrush** (Common Name)

**Callistemon viminalis** (Scientific Name)

### PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- **Canopy potential:** 15’ – 20’ wide
- **Annual Growth Rate:** 36”
- **Powerline Friendly:** 15’ – 20’ from base
- **Root Damage Potential:** Low
- **Leaves:** Lanceolate leaves, 2-4”, light green.
- **Flowers:** Red flowers, flower in late spring/early summer. Showy flowers.

### ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

- **Water Use:** Low
- **Edible Fruit Producing:** No
- **Allergenic:** Moderate
- **BVOC Emissions:** High
- **Sonoran Desert Native:** No
- **Invasive Species:** No

**Tree Care:** Plant in full sun. Tolerant of most soils. Prefer those that are well drained. If soil is poor, compost may be used to promote growth. Regular watering when young, and annual fertilization until it is established. Fertilize first in the second year during spring, and water weekly in drier periods.

**Ecosystem Services:** Reported to have various medicinal values such as antibacterial, antifungal, antioxidant activities and other pharmaceutical and insecticidal properties.