Solidago juncea
Early Goldenrod

Newly germinated seedlings of Solidago juncea are tiny.

New leaves emerge from the center of the plant rolled in a tube-like shape. The early leaves unfold into a rosette of broad gently-toothed leaves.

Later emerging leaves are long and narrow and may or may not be toothed.

Notice the opposite leaf arrangement.

The young Solidago juncea plant is seldom branched.

The leaves of Solidago juncea are long and narrow. Some have toothed leaves, but the this can be variable, even within a single plant.

As it matures, Solidago juncea develops several strong upright stems.

Leaves are often reduced in size near the top of the plant.

Notice the small leaflets that form in the leaf axis. This is particularly noticeable in the upper parts of the plant.