**Taperleaf Penstemon**  
*Penstemon attenuatus*

**Description:** Short-lived with several upright flower stems, 2-3 ft. tall. Flowers have a rich blue color and bloom in early summer. Glossy, green leaves grow mostly in a cluster at the base of the stems.

**Habitat:** Native to woodlands and meadows from low to sub-alpine elevations.

**Landscape Uses:** As with many penstemons, this makes a great rock garden plant. Eye-catching blue flowers are also very attractive to hummingbirds. Will grow in full sun or part shade with little water. Requires well-drained soil.

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