Verbascum thapsus
COMMON MULLEIN  (Figwort Family)

in the Peacock Prairie at the James Woodworth Prairie Preserve
THIS NON-NATIVE SPECIES IS AN EXOTIC, ALIEN, INVASIVE UNDESIRABLE

Coarse, woolly plant with a dense spike of yellow flowers. Flowers ¼ - 1” wide, slightly irregular. Noted for its large (4-12” long), soft-velvety, oblong leaves, the largest ones in a basal rosette. Leaves sometimes slightly toothed. 2-8’ high (61-244 cm). At the Peacock/Woodworth Prairie this specimen bloomed July 12.

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