Eastern Gray Beard Tongue
*Penstemon canescens* (Britton) Britton

**Family:** Scrophulariaceae  
**Habitat:** Open, dry woods and woodland borders.  
**Color:** White/Purple  
**Height:** 10-12 in  
**Exposure:** Sun to light shade  
**Bloom Dates:** May-July  
**Soil Moisture:** Well-drained  
**Soil Quality:** Light  
**Garden Uses:** Borders, paths, naturalizing.  
**Notes:** Tolerates poorly drained soil. Useful as container plant; effective interplanted with butterfly weed, sundrops, and other drought tolerant plants.

Mountain and valley but does best on mountain.

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