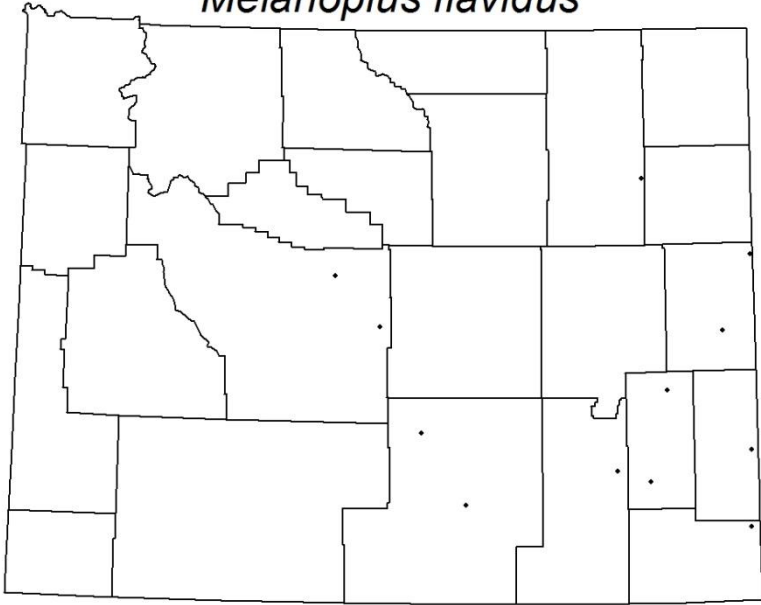


Melanoplus flavidus



Melanoplus flavidus is found in weedy areas of the sagebrush prairies in Wyoming. It is often associated with sandy soils. The species is very similar to *M. bowditchi* in appearance. Eggs overwinter in the soil and hatch in June. Adults are present from late July to September. It is a forb feeder with a preference for wild sunflower and ragweed. When native plant food is scarce it will feed on alfalfa.
Ref: Capinera and Sechrist 1982.