With almost 2 inches of rain last month, we are “cautiously optimistic” about the potential for annual wildflowers this spring.

Tiny green plants are emerging, and though winter rainfall is still below average, cool cloudy weather this month is allowing the ground to stay moist, and the plants have a fighting chance to survive and thrive.

There will undoubtedly be some wildflowers blooming in parts of the park but where the best blooms will be found remains to be seen. With another good rainfall this month, plants could grow larger and make a respectable showing. Western Canyons including Borrego Palm Canyon will be a good place to look.

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