TABLE I. ECOLOGICAL OR LIFE ZONES OF THE TROPICS, SUB TROPICS,

AND WARM TEMPERATE ZONES

Ecological Zones (1,2)	Mean Annual Temperature (Deg. C)	Average Annual Rainfall (mm)	Symbol
Tropical Desert Shrub	24 or more	125 - 250	Tx
Tropical Thorn Steppe	24 or more	250 - 500	Tt
Tropical Very Dry Forest	24 or more	500 - 1000	Tv
Tropical Dry Forest	24 or more	1000 - 2000	Td
Tropical Moist Forest	24 or more	2000 - 4000	Tm
Tropical Wet Forest	24 or more	4000 - 8000	Tw
Tropical Rain Forest	24 or more	8000 or more	Tr
Subtropical Desert Scrub	18 - 24	125 - 250	Sx
Subtropical Thorn Woodland	18 - 24	250 - 500	St
Subtropical Dry Forest	18 - 24	500 - 1000	Sd
Subtropical Moist Forest	18 - 24	1000 - 2000	Sm
Subtropical Wet Forest	18 - 24	2000 - 4000	Sw
Subtropical Rain Forest	18 - 24	4000 or more	Sr
Warm Temperate Desert Bush	12 - 18	125 - 250	Wx
Warm Temperate Woodland	12 - 18	250 - 500	Wt
Warm Temperate Dry Forest	12 - 18	500 - 1000	Wd
Warm Temperate Moist Forest	12 - 18	1000 - 2000	Wm
Warm Temperate Wet Forest	12 - 18	2000 - 4000	Ww
Warm Temperate Rain Forest	12 - 18	4000 or more	Wr

NOTE: In the Appendix you will see life zone symbols of more than two letters. For example, okra grows in life zones Wdm and Txm. The capital letters refer to tropical, subtropical or warm temperate climates. The small letters are for types of vegetation as determined by the life zones. Using the chart below you can see that okra will grow in warm temperate dry forests, warm temperate moist forests, tropical dessert scrub and tropical moist forest climates.

C = Cool temperated = dry forestT = Tropicalm = moist forestS = Subtropicalr = rain forest

W = Warm temperate t = thorn steppe (if tropical) or woodland (if warm temperate)

B = Borealv = very dry forestw = wet forest

x = desert scrub (if tropical or subtropical) or bush (if temperate)