

## **NOXIOUS WEED TREATMENT**

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**RAC PROJECT NO:** 05-019

### **RAC FUNDS**

**BUDGETED:** \$ 10,500

**EXPENDED:** \$ 10,500

**BALANCE:** \$0

### **PROJECT PLAN**

The goal of the project was to control weeds and to contain the rate of spread along major routes of travel on the North Fork Ranger District. This would be accomplished by spraying herbicides along these roads.

### **PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS**

Forest Service funds and personnel were used to prepare and administer the contract. In addition to the RAC money used for the contract an additional \$9978 of Forest Service funds were used to pay for contract spraying. Three bids were received for the herbicide spray contract with award to Perfection Weed and Pest Control out of Lewiston, Idaho who was the low bidder.

The herbicide spraying targeted primarily spotted knapweed and yellow hawkweed along portions of the following roads: 246, 247, 250, 255, 256, 540, 581, 669, 680, 682, 683, 700, 711, 712, 5295, 5297, 5301, and 5450. The contract treated 325 acres of road right of way along an estimated 200 miles of road.

The contract solicitation received 3 bidders, all local. The bids were variable with each road segment having a separate bid. The average bid was \$60.52 per acre. Perfection Weed and Pest Control was awarded a multi-year contract in 2005 in which they will be awarded future contracts for herbicide spraying for three years through 2007 without further competition.

## Completed Project Report