

Tell City Ranger District Pollinator Garden – Hoosier National Forest

2009 Accomplishments

Background

As part of an Eastern Region FY09 Native Plant Funding proposal, the Hoosier National Forest continued in establishing a native plant pollinator garden at the Tell City Ranger District. After a successful year of growth, the Forest expanded the garden area to add further diversity to the mix of native plants.

To expand the garden, Forest botanical staff and volunteers removed sod from the lawn next to the inter-agency fire center, and planted additional species. Where space was available, Forest personnel placed new species of smaller plug-sized native plants in the existing garden. Several new plants also developed due to seed dropped from last years' plantings.

The next step involved the placement of interpretive signs and labeling of individual species throughout the garden. All of the species selected for inclusion in the garden are native to southern Indiana and readily used by local pollinator species. The bulk of the species are "prairie-like" plants that typically occur in barrens communities found on the Hoosier National Forest.

FY2009 Accomplishments

- Expanded garden, purchased all necessary native plants and transplanted in the garden
- Mounting of large interpretive sign and pollinator signs
- Mounting of individual species' labels



Bumblebee on foxglove beardtongue



Year Awarded: FY 2009
Project completion: (2009)
Report number: (1 of 1)

Expenditures:

- FY09 funding: \$3,000

Contractors (plant material):
JFNew Native Plant Nursery
Spence Restoration Nursery

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