

Sandberg's Bluegrass Collection/Grow Out

FY 2007
Accomplishments

This project involved increasing Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa sandbergii*) seed from a wildland collection made by a private contractor. The objective was to collect seed from two wildland seed sources and increase it to 1,000 pounds. The seed would then be available for additional grow out and use during revegetation projects on Forest Service lands in south central Montana.

IN FY06, \$50,000 was awarded for the three year project. Of the total amount, \$25,000 was transferred to the Umatilla National Forest in Region 6 for them to administer the seed increase through a local Oregon contractor. The Gallatin NF spent about \$4,000 for salary.

Poa seed is very difficult to collect and the initial seed collection contained a large amount of *Poa trivialis*, an undesirable species. The decision was made not to grow out the original collection but to collect additional wildland seed in 2007 and provide this to the grower. This was accomplished during the field season and the seed will now be grown out in the summer of 2008 by the Oregon Contractor.



Year Awarded: 2006

Project completion: 2008

Report number: 2 of 3

Expenditures:

- FY07 funding: 0
- Expend: 0
- Remaining: 46 K

Partners/Contractors/Coop:
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