

# Native Plant Pollinator Garden- Stevensville Ranger District on the Bitterroot NF

## 2009 Accomplishments

The Bitterroot National Forest in partnership with the Stevensville Garden Club created a native plant pollinator garden at the Stevensville Ranger District this summer.

The site was prepared and plant species selected for the garden in 2008. Great Bear Restoration Nursery cultivated the selected plants and they were ready for planting in June 2009.

The Stevensville Garden Club selected a nice sunny day to plant the garden and in no time the bare soil plot was transformed into a young native plant pollinator garden. Mulch was soon laid down and the sprinkler system activated. "Voila"--our garden was in place!

The informational brochure about the plants and their respective pollinators was completed and placed in a brochure rack at the District's information kiosk.

The garden grew quite rapidly this summer and unfortunately so did the weeds. The Stevensville Boy Scouts came to the rescue and weeded the garden plot. The Club and District are so happy at how the garden turned out and are looking forward to watching it mature!



Figure 1. "Before " picture: The weed patch in front of the Stevensville Ranger District before the garden was created!



Figure 2. "After" picture: Stevensville Boy Scouts helping with the planting and mulching process.

Year awarded: Awarded in FY 2008

Project completion: FY 2009

Report number: 2 of 2

Expenditures :

FY09: \$3000 Total funding awarded

\$3000 Total funding spent

**No funds remaining**

Partners/Contractors/Coop:

Stevensville Garden Club, Great Bear Restoration, Earth and Wood Landscaping, Donaldson's Brothers, Camper's Kwik Kerb, and Stevensville Boy Scouts

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