Forest-Wide Native Plant Materials Program
Arapaho & Roosevelt National Forests and Pawnee National Grassland, Colorado

2009 Accomplishments

Native Plant Materials Program
- Continued initiation efforts of Forest-wide native plant materials program.
- Long-term vision to provide local seed and seedlings to restore native vegetation on National Forest System land, with emphasis along Colorado’s high-profile Front Range.
- Contracted with Upper Colorado Environmental Plant Center in Meeker, Colorado, and Lucky Peak Nursery in Boise, Idaho, to increase seed of native plants over next three years.
- Established agreements with Rocky Mountain Youth Corps, Wildland Restoration Volunteers, and Laramie Rivers Conservation District (WY) to assist in seed collecting and increase.
- Extended life of project one year.

Seed Collections:
- Collected 50 bulk pounds of Parry’s oatgrass, bluebunch wheatgrass, Idaho fescue, bromegrass, and junegrass for seed increase.

Preparation for Seed Increase:
- Species will have germination studies.
- Grasses will undergo seed increase over next three years if species show adequate germination.
- 1000 bitterbrush seedlings will be grown over project life, remainder as needed over long term.
- Fields cultivated for 2010 seed increase efforts.

Year Awarded: 2008
Project completion: 2012
Report number: 2 of 5

Expenditures:
- FY09 funding: $17,000
- Expended: $17,000
- Obligated: none
- Remaining: none

Partners/Contractors/Cooperators:
- Wildland Restoration Volunteers
- Boulder County Parks & Open Space
- Rocky Mountain Youth Corps
- Laramie Rivers Conservation District

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