

Native Plant Program – Planting for Pollinators

The Wayne National Forest

2009 Accomplishments

2009 Native Plant Project activities included:

- Planted 1,000 ft² of new pollinator gardens and 100 ft² of woodland pollinator gardens.
- Treated 3 acres of invasive plants in the Ironton District Office's weed free zone.
- Extended interpretive trails at Ironton and Athens buildings, over 0.5 mile new trail created.
- Connected plant interpretive trail to bird blind at Athens District building.
- Designed 10 signs for interpretive trails (e.g. pollinators, native plants, wildlife, prairies, landscape with nature, plant rescues, vernal pool, invasive plant prevention, forest ecology).
- Maintenance of 5,000 ft² of existing pollinator gardens.
- Grew over 5,000 native plant plugs for future restoration and pollinator garden projects.
- Used plants grown for wetland and grassland restoration on the Ironton Ranger District.
- Creation of vernal pool and interpretive sign.
- Organization of 6 volunteer plant rescues to bring local plants to Athens/SO gardens.



Figure 1. Lawrence County Work Force Development Crew transplants native plant plugs. Soldier Beetle and Bees on Rattlesnake Master.



Figure 2. Hocking College volunteers rescue native plants from a future highway site for native plant beds at Athens Ranger District/Supervisor's Office building (top). Weeding Native Plant Beds at Ironton Ranger Office entrance (bottom right). Great Spangled Fritillary on Bee Balm (bottom left).

Year Awarded: FY2009

Project completion: 2009

Report number: 1 of 1

Expenditures (through 10/2009):

- FY08 funding \$26,502
- FY09 funding \$30,000
- Total funding \$56,502**

Partners/Contractors/Coop: Alexandra Ingram, Daniel Ware, Cooperhead and Barn Buster 4-H Clubs, Rockhill High School Science Club, Lawrence County Workforce Development, Ashland Federal Prison Camp, Ohio Extension Master Gardeners, Rural Action, Hocking College.

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