

Coeur d'Alene Nursery Pollinator Garden on the Idaho Panhandle National Forest

2010 Accomplishments

This field season the pollinator garden at the front entrance to the Coeur d'Alene Nursery was completed. Work began last fall with the collection of native plant species seed growing on the nursery grounds. Blanket flower, arrowleaf balsamroot, and penstemon seed heads were collected and seed extracted. Seedlings were started in the greenhouses this past spring for out planting.

The project site is approximately .45 acres in size. The bulk of the work involved site remediation of the old road bed that was removed in 2008. A site survey was completed by cadastral survey and was used by the landscape architect to design the garden layout. Topsoil was purchased and spread over the site. An irrigation system was installed and in mid-September the planting of the site was completed. Native trees, shrubs, forbs, grasses, and perennial flowers were planted by nursery personnel. Approximately 20 native species and 5 perennial flower species were incorporated into the design. Additional funding will be sought for interpretive signs and some additional materials.

Public response to the project has been very positive. In the future we will be cooperating with the bike trail committee to coordinate efforts to landscape along the bike trail adjacent to this project.



Nursery Employees involved in planting the pollinator garden at the front entrance Sept. 17, 2011.

Year awarded: Initial award in 2009

Project completion: 2010

Report number: 1 of 1

Expenditures (through 10/2010): NFN3 funding

▪ **Total FY09 NFN3 funding \$4,000, total expended \$4,000;**

▪ **\$0 total remaining**

This project was completed by CDA Nursery personnel. Additionally, design of the project was done by Jane Houghton, IPNF Landscape Architect.

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