2010 Accomplishments

One of the primary goals of the Boise National Forest’s Native Plant Materials Program is to provide locally collected, native plant materials for site restoration and rehabilitation for the Boise National Forest and its partners. This year’s accomplishments include:

Extension of the Native Plant Materials Collecting Cooperative Agreement ($15,000) with Idaho Fish and Game for seed collection on the Boise NF. IDFG personnel and volunteers collected a variety of graminoid and forb seed during the summer of 2010.

The Idaho City RD YCC crew collected seed that will be used in future restoration and seed increase at Lucky Peak Nursery.

Sedge plugs and native seed from locally collected sources was used at five sites (road closure, bridge installation and floodplain restoration) on the Lowman RD. Additional sedges were planted to restore a stream crossing on an access road for firefighting equipment on the Emmett RD.

Locally collected native seed was used at four sites across the Boise NF to restore disturbance resulting from firefighting efforts on the Little Beaver, Whitehawk and Harris Fires.

Willow and cottonwood rooted stock, grown from stooling beds at Lucky Peak Nursery, was used in site restoration during 2010 in partnership with Trout Unlimited.

Signposts purchased for Idaho City RDs “Firewise With Natives” Gardens will be installed in 2011.

1.5 acres of locally collected Idaho fescue and blue-bunch wheatgrass seed were planted for seed increase in FY10, adding to the 1.3 acres of native grass and forbs in the field at Lucky Peak Nursery.

Cleaning and testing of 2009 seed collection, and ongoing maintenance and storage of the Boise National Forest native seed bank.

Oversight and coordination of the native seed program for the Boise NF.

**FY2009 Carryover:** Report number 2 of 2; Expended $11,371.51 to Lucky Peak Nursery

**FY2010:** Report number: 1 of 3

Project completion target: 2012

Total FY10 Funding $56,900: Expended $29,000 FY10; $27,900 obligated to Lucky Peak Nursery for FY11

Partners/Contractors/Cooperators: Lucky Peak Nursery, Buffaloberry Farm Nursery, Idaho Fish & Game, Youth Conservation Corp, Trout Unlimited

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