



Native Plant Pollinator Garden BIRCH CREEK OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER

2011 Accomplishments

Thanks to a lot of coordination with University of Montana-Western Outreach, Boy Scouts of America, Montana Native Plant Society (Calypso Chapter), and our very own Beaverhead-Deerlodge (B-D) Road Crew, a native plant pollinator garden was established at the Birch Creek Outdoor Education Center located about 20 miles north west of Dillon, MT on the Dillon Ranger District. An Eagle Scout candidate volunteered himself and his fellow troopers to dig 165 holes prior to planting. The Eagle Scout along with Native Plant Society members and B-D employees filled the 165 holes with native plants in June. Since that time, an additional 63 plants have been incorporated into the garden as well as 4 large boulders and a gravel pathway - Thanks to the B-D Road Crew. Two rock carved water baths were also placed within the garden, and a few native mason bee boxes will be installed at the site in the near future. Plants were purchased from Southern Montana Native Landscapes Nursery in Glen, MT.



Boy Scouts ready to dig! June 2011



The planting crew. June 2011



Late season photo with path and boulders. September 2011

Year awarded: FY11 NFN3 funding
Project completion: 2011
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Expenditures: NFN3 funding \$4,500, expended \$4,500, \$0 remaining

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