

Native Species Program on the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest

2012 Accomplishments with FY12 Dollars

Project Goal:

The MBRTB has developed native seed revegetation guidelines for five seed mixes that include several workhorse species. This project increased seed for blue wildrye, a major species used in the mixes. A small portion of the remaining funds were matched with other resources which enabled Rocky Mountain Youth Corps to make additional collections.

Seed Collection:

A portion of these funds were used to partially support Rocky Mountain Youth Corps seed collections on the Forest. Ongoing seed collections help ensure genetic diversity in the subsequent increase crops. The kids collected mountain brome, blue wildrye, and slender wheatgrass.

Seed Increase:

The bulk of these funds were obligated to increase blue wildrye, a key restoration species. Planting occurred in fall of 2012. Harvests are expected in 2014 and 2015.



Upper Colorado Plant Materials Center will be growing blue wildrye for the Forest.



An example of young blue wildrye.

Year Awarded: 2012

Project completion: 2014

Report number: 1 of 3

Funding

- FY13 obligated \$9,900

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