



Welcome Monarchs 2! Shawnee National Forest 2010 Accomplishments

This project was initiated in 2010 to alert visitors that our pollinator garden at Johnson Creek Recreation Area is also supportive of monarch butterflies. A monarch butterfly sign was placed beneath the pollinator interpretive sign to stimulate awareness. Plants such as pale purple coneflower, eastern purple coneflower, wavyleaf purple coneflower, fall blazing star, prairie blazing star, and common milkweed were planted in FY09 and FY10 at the Murphysboro Work Center and the Mississippi Bluffs Ranger Station in Jonesboro by staff and volunteers.

The “Welcome Monarchs 2!” project is an extension of the Pollinator Garden project initiated in 2009 on the Mississippi Bluffs Ranger District. Figure 1 was taken at the Murphysboro Work Center where staff maintain two gardens. Figure 2 was taken at the Johnson Creek Recreation Area where the garden replaces the previously mowed, dangerously steep portion of land adjacent to the popular lake. Volunteers also helped in replanting a garden in Jonesboro at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Area parking lot, one of two gardens at that office.



Figure 2. Johnson Creek Recreation Area also provides a path around the pollinator garden for closer viewing of pollinators at work.

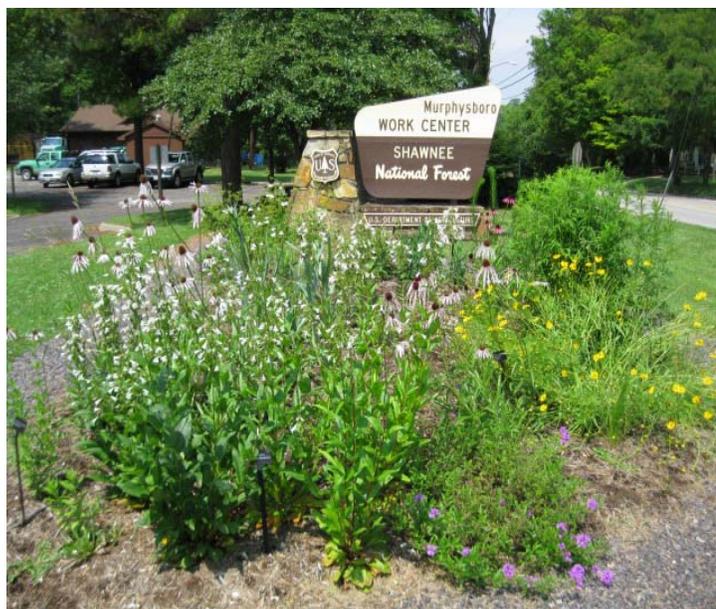


Figure 1. One of two Pollinator Gardens at the Murphysboro Work Center.

Year Project Initiated: 2010

Project completion: 2010

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