

Umpqua Native Forb & Grass Seed Increase

2006 Accomplishments

Site-specific, source-identified native seed is important for use in the restoration of public lands. The goal of this proposal was to provide affordable, high quality native forb and grass seed for District projects including:

- Emergency situations such as fires, flood damage, and roadside slumps repair.
- Erosion control, roadside vegetation management, wildlife enhancement projects, road decommissioning, landings, skid roads, recreational developments, pine/oak savannah restoration, meadow restoration.
- Prevention or containment of noxious weed infestations.

Starter seed from three selected wild populations was sent to Sean Currens Family Farm for seed increasing. This included Blue wild rye, California Fescue and California tea. At the end of two years the district will receive 800 pounds each of Blue wild rye and California fescue; and 200 pounds of California Tea.



Blue wildrye planted alongside a meadow knapweed infestation after a wildfire.



California fescue wild collection

Year Awarded: 2006

Project completion: 2008

Report number: 1 of 3

Expenditures:

- FY06 funding :
- Collected 10 lbs. of California fescue \$2500.
- Contracted three species for seed increasing \$21,800

Contractor:

Sean Currens Family Farms

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