

# Developing Native Plant Materials on the Gifford Pinchot N.F.

## 2006 Accomplishments

The native seed mix currently in use on the Gifford Pinchot N.F. currently is composed of blue wildrye (*Elymus glaucus*), slender hairgrass (*Deschampsia elongata*), and mountain brome (*Bromus carinatus*). Adding Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*) to this mix would increase effectiveness in restoring open Ponderosa pine stands.

Specifically, project proposal was to sow locally collected Idaho fescue foundation seed in a 1 acre seed increase field. Contract was awarded to Benson Farms of Moses Lake, WA in June of 2006. 4.7 lbs. of seed was sown in September and will be harvested during the summer of 2007. Approximately 1100 lbs. of seed was purchased.



Year Awarded: 2006

Project completion: 2008

Report number: 1 of 2

Expenditures:

- FY06 funding \$12,000, expenditures - \$12,000

Partners/Contractors/Coop

- Benson Farms (contractor)

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