

# South Carolina Piedmont Prairie Natives

## FY2007 Accomplishments

**This Native Plant Materials Grant complemented ongoing efforts to propagate warm season grasses native to the South Carolina Piedmont with an emphasis on forbs.**

Four piedmont prairie interpretive sites were created on two ranger districts.

A 5-year Challenge Cost Share Agreement with Clemson University was initiated which will lead to the creation of seed production areas for no less than 21 forb species native to Carolina piedmont prairies.

Native seed cleaning equipment was purchased including a laboratory seed cleaner and a Seedburo bulk seed cleaner and debearder.

Materials were purchased to build a seed drier based on specifications received from the National Seed Laboratory.

A GPS unit was purchased and several sources for native forbs documented.

Several seed collection trips were conducted by the SC Native Plant Society in conjunction w/USFS personnel.



Obedient Plant, *Physostegia virginiana*



*Coneflower Seedlings*

Year Awarded: 2007  
Project completion: 2012  
Report number: (1 of 1)

#### Expenditures:

- FY07 funding: \$64,000
- Expend: \$60,000
- Remaining: \$4,000

#### Partners/Contractors/Coop:

- Clemson University
- SC Native Plant Society

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