

Hazardous Fuel Reduction through NNIS Removal

FY 2008 Accomplishments

The goal of this project was to reduce the presence of non-native invasive species on the District and to promote a native herbaceous layer in infested areas. Priority species in FY 08 included kudzu, Chinese privet, and shrubby lespedeza. Effective treatment of kudzu was accomplished, while treatment success of privet and lespedeza were mixed. The District continued its partnership with Norfolk Southern Railroad, which sprayed approximately 15 acres of kudzu on rights-of-way crossing the National Forest. No native planting was conducted, as we are seeing regeneration of the native herbaceous layer, from the existing seed bank, as the infestations are decreasing in size.



Kudzu eradicated from open pine stand



Lespedeza one week after treatment

Year Awarded: 2006

Project completion: (2008)

Report number: 3 of 3

Expenditures:

- FY08 funding: \$3,547
- Expend: \$1,705
- Remaining: \$1,842

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