

# Native Seed Production Area

## FY 08 Accomplishments

After reviewing our groundcover restoration program we have determine that one of our major bottlenecks for completing restoration work is having enough native seed to sow in restoration areas. Our proposal to help resolve this seed collection bottleneck is to develop a seed production area on the forest. The seed production area would need to be in the proper community type, large enough to provide abundant seed, and be free of obstacles for collection seed. Another criterion would be our ability to burn the area even during drought conditions. We envision this proposal to have three phases. The first phase would be selection of the appropriate area to be dedicated to seed production. We are proposing to survey all the power line rights-of-ways on the forest for sections with intact ground cover that could be utilized for seed collection. Power lines provide a good source of land that is already cleared of obstacles and are not utilized for the production of timber. We anticipate that this phase could be completed in the first fiscal year of the grant.

Unfortunately, after reviewing several power lines no desirable areas of undisturbed vegetation could be found. Instead of power lines we will change our efforts to surveying areas that could be used as seed collection sites that received a May, June, or July prescribed burn during FY 2008 like the picture below.



*Disturbed Powerlines not good collection areas*

Year Awarded: FY 2007

Project completion: FY 2009

Report number: 2 of 2

Expenditures:

- FY08 funding: \$8000
- Funds Expended: None
- Remaining: \$8000

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*Area selected for Seed Collection in FY 09*



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