Colorado Plateau Native Plant Materials Program

FY 2009 Accomplishments

Funds provided to Region 4 in 2009 were used to focus on setting up four species adaptability studies across Utah for six principal perennial grass taxa that occur within the Colorado Plateau Region.

Species Adaptability Studies:

- Seeds obtained of individual grasses from the multiple collection sites across the Colorado Plateau were prepared for a series of four ecological and adaptive studies.
- Four wildland study sites representing ecological conditions throughout the Colorado Plateau were identified and evaluated.
- These four sites (one each on the Dixie, Fishlake, Manti-Lasal, and Ashley National Forests) were identified, located and reevaluated on site to delineate logistical concerns.
- Each of the four sites were then cleared of vegetation, fenced to exclude livestock and wildlife (2008), then labeled and planted during 2009.
- A schedule for weeding and tending each site has been developed and is conducted on a

Dixie, Fishlake, Manti -LaSal, & Ashley National Forests, Intermountain Region monthly bases, as well as plant monitoring.



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Expenditures:

FY07 funding: 160,000FY07 expended: 160,000

FY08 funding: 160,000FY08 expended: 155,000

- Fy09 funding 160,000 Remaining 35,000
- Total remaining 40,000

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