

Native Grass Seed Cache for Plumas National Forest

2009 Accomplishments

This project was initiated in 2005 to obtain native plant material from local genetic stock on the Plumas National Forest (PNF). The materials are for revegetation of burned areas, fire lines, skid trails and landings, decommissioned roads, and rehabilitation of areas where non-native invasive plant species have been removed.

In 2009, 250 pounds of grass seed were harvested at J Herbert Stone Nursery for the PNF. The seed was planted in several areas of the PNF in September of 2009. Areas were planted with mountain brome (*Bromus carinatus*). The seed was used in within the perimeter of the Canyon Complex Fire of 2008. Areas planted were identified as high-priority due to risk of erosion or noxious weed infestation. Several Dozer lines and safety zones that were constructed during the fires of 2008 were revegetated using this seed. Approximately 33 acres were planted.

In 2009, the PNF received \$10,000 of Emergency Supplemental funding to continue the project. Approximately 35 pounds of native grass seed was collected on the PNF in 2009. These 35 pounds will be planted at J Herbert Stone Nursery in the fall of 2009. Seed from that planting will be harvested in summer of 2010 and returned to the PNF for revegetation projects.



Figure 1. Mountain brome growing in a safety zone in spring 2009; seed was planted in fall of 2008.

Year Awarded: Initial award in 2005

Project completion: 2009

FY 2009: \$10,000

Partners/Contractors/Cooperators: J Herbert Stone Nursery, Region 6



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