2009 Native Plants Program Internship on the Shasta-Trinity National Forest

2009 Accomplishments

Sasha Flamm, a student from University of California, Davis served as a summer native plants intern with the Shasta-McCloud greenhouse and restoration program, Shasta Trinity NF in 2009. Sasha provided some unique artistic and technical talents, assisted in greenhouse projects, and contributed to restoration projects. She illustrated signs for our new interpretive garden, prepared a slide show for noxious weeds, and trained others how to use the software.

Restoration of decommissioned trails in the subalpine meadows on the slopes of Mt. Shasta was accomplished in cooperation with the Youth Conservation Corps (Figure 1) . She participated in surveys on Mt. Shasta for a rare moonwort and the Franklin's bumblebee .

Her work in the garden, greenhouse, and in the field, was a good introduction to many of the common and also some rare plants in Northern California. Sasha also had an opportunity to work with the botanists conducting plant identification at McCloud Falls for the Celebrating Wildflowers website.

The illustrations she developed for the interpretive garden are a shining example of her talent and enthusiasm for our program. The signs elegantly illustrate the value of habitats such as aspen and black oak and our restoration projects. These signs will be presented here and on the Celebrating Wildflowers website in the future.



Figure 1. Restoration at Upper Panther Meadow (~8,000 ft) with members of the Youth Conservation Corps, July 2009. Photo by Sasha Flamm



Figure 2.Sasha Flamm and other Shasta Trinity NF staff at the McCloud Middle Falls trail identifying plants for the Celebrating Wildflowers web site (link below). Photo by Julie Nelson http://www.fs.fed.us/wildflowers/regions/pacificsouthwest/MiddleFalls/index.shtml

Year Awarded: 2009

Project completion: 2009

Report number: 1

Expenditures: \$8,000

Partners/Contractors/Cooperators: University of California, Davis, Youth

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