

Native Plant Materials, Sumter National Forest, Piedmont of South Carolina

FY10 Accomplishments

The Enoree RD on the Sumter National Forest has a long-standing program in native plant materials development for soil and water purposes. With the addition of NFN3 funds in FY10, we were able to hire temporary labor for maintaining existing production fields, and for processing and harvesting native seed. In addition, we were able to purchase a flail vac seed harvester for shared use with the Newberry County Conservation District. The NFN3 funds are matched by other funding on the Enoree RD, particularly CWKV and NFWW soil and water funds. In addition, Forestwide NFWW funds were used to enter into a contract with Roundstone Native Seed, to collect and produce South Carolina piedmont ecotypes for yellow indiagrass and little bluestem, and provide the USFS back with cleaned, dried, and viable native seed in 2014.

We have a number of partners interested in native plant materials development in the piedmont of South Carolina, namely those in the Indian Creek Wildlife Habitat Restoration Initiative. The district has hosted identification and native seed harvesting workshops in conjunction with NRCS and NWF.



Spreading sunflower, Helianthus divaricatus



Yellow Indiagrass, Sorghastrum nutans

Year Awarded: 2010

Project completion: (year): 2014
Report number: (1 of 1)

Expenditures:

- FY10 NFN3 funding: \$50,000
- FY10 NFWW funding: \$30,000
- Expend: \$80,000
- Remaining: 0

Partners/Contractors/Coop:
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