Native Plant and Pollinator Gardens Wayne National Forest

2010 Accomplishments

This project was initiated in 2008 on the Wayne National Forest to: obtain local native plant material to create native plant and pollinator beds at administrative offices, provide trails and interpretation about the importance of native plants and pollinators, and create native plant seed production areas for future restoration. The creation of seed production areas was the focus for 2010 funds. Conversion of 15 acres is currently in process, with preparation of planting areas accomplished on the Ironton and Athens Ranger Districts. Final planting will be done in spring of 2011 through contracts put into affect in 2010.

Monarch

Additionally, native seeds were planted and raised for transplanting in spring 2011. Included in plant production was three different species of milkweeds to provide habitat for monarchs. Administrative gardens were maintained and more interpretation panels placed.

The Wayne National Forest also was the recipient of native resistant elm trees. These trees were planted at the Ironton and Athens Ranger Districts, and the new Frontier boat ramp on the Ohio River.



Figure 3. Local students plant native trees at Nelsonville Headquarters building.

Year Project Initiated: FY2008

Project completion: FY2011

Report number: 1 of 1 (2010)

Expenditures (through 10/2010):

- ■FY08 funding \$26,502
- ■FY09 funding \$30,000
- ■FY10 funding \$25,000

Total Funding: \$81,502

FY10funding (Partners/Contractors/Coop:).

Contract: Native local seed collection

Contract: Fescue control and site preparation Cooperator: Local S&WD – seed drilling Partner: Ohio University Kids on Campus

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Figure 1. Transplanting native seedlings



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