Road Decommissioning & Native & Invasive Species Plant Work on the San Bernardino NF

2011 Accomplishments

This project will: (1) perform a strategic evaluation of National Forest Transportation System Roads and Unauthorized Routes on the Mountaintop Ranger District (MTRD) to prioritize road/route decommissioning efforts; (2) plan and implement decommissioning in coordination with other decommissioning projects; (3) document plant occurrence data in NRIS-TESP-Invasives databases to support of decommissioning efforts. This work will be conducted with forest staff in collaboration with the Chicago Botanic Garden Center for Natural Lands Management internship program during the fall and winter of FY2012. The forest staff will leverage other appropriated funds to maximize benefit this work.

Expected Results: we will: (1) complete strategic evaluation of Roads and Routes for MTRD; (2) assist in planning and implementing decommissioning following priorities generated by strategic evaluation; (3) dovetail with existing decommissioning efforts (Travel Management, OHV grants, Healthy Forest projects, etc); and (4) document all project-related occurrence data into the databases of record.



Figure 1. Decommissioned unauthorized route, endangered plant critical habitat and culturally sensitive area, Rose Valley, SBNF 2010.



Figure 2. Decommissioned re-routed OHV trail in botanical and cultural sensitive area, Willow Creek, San Bernardino National Forest, 2010.

Year Awarded: FY2011

Project completion: FY2011

Report number: 1

Expenditures (FY2011): \$12,000

Partners/Contractors/Cooperators/Partners: Chicago Botanic Garden, Green Thumbs, San Bernardino National Forest Association



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