Native Plant Gardens on the Ottawa National Forest:

Visit one to see how native plants can be used in landscaping and gardening!





- •Located on Hwy. M-28 west of Bergland, at former Forest Service District Office
- •Established and maintained mainly by volunteers with some help from Ottawa NF
- •Begun in 2008, continuing to add species
- •Features shade and sun species, shrubs, ferns, grasses and wildflowers
- •Includes labels for each species







Visitor Center Upland Garden

- •Located adjacent to Ottawa Visitor Center, on the corner of Hwys. 2 and 45 in Watersmeet
- •Established in 1999
- •Features sun, mesic soil species
- •Includes labels for each species
- •Attracts many butterflies in mid-late summer



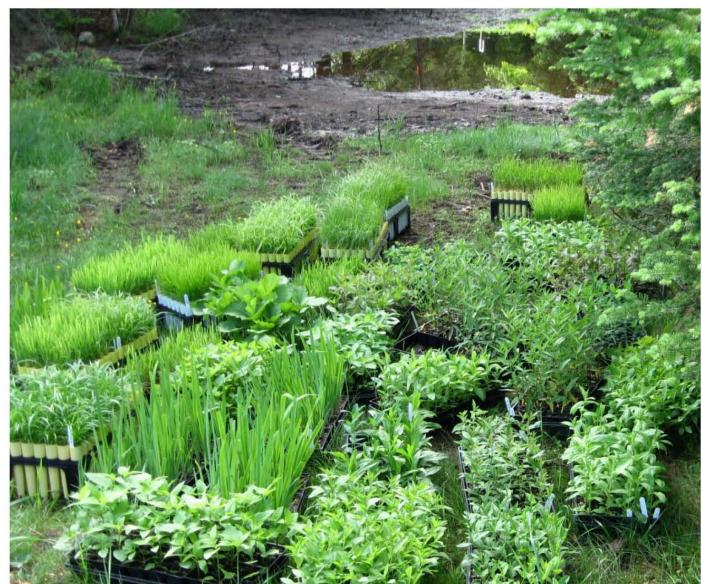
Clark Lake Planter

- •At Clark Lake day use area on the edge of Sylvania Wilderness
- Being planted June and July 2010
- •Will feature local wildflowers and ferns, particularly pairs that are look-alikes, to demonstrate small differences
- •Garden is being established by Friends of Sylvania group



Kenton Garden

- •Located on Hwy. M-28 in Kenton, at street-side entrance to Kenton Ranger District office
- •Established in 2002, moved to present location in 2009
- •Features sun and dry soil (sand) species
- •New species being added, and labels will be added later





Visitor Center Rain Garden

- •Located at Visitor Center, on the corner of Hwys. 2 and 45 in Watersmeet
- •Planted June 2010, work in progress
- •Features wetland species that can tolerate some flooding
- •Garden designed to slow water flow from runoff
- •Seedlings grown from seed collected on Ottawa, over 2000 planted in early June

Be prepared for wet feet if you visit this site!



Ontonagon Garden

- •Located in front of Ontonagon District Office on Rockland Rd. in Ontonagon
- •Planted 2009, more species being added in 2010
- •Features local wildflowers, some needing shade

