

HuronManisteeNativePlantProgram

2008Accomplishments

We created interpretive signs and species labels for native plants growing around the Mio Ranger District administrative site. We also purchased paver stone and wood chips for borders, to improve the aesthetic appearance of the site.

This proposal was intended to educate the public of the native plant and animal resources on the Huron National Forest, and provide butterfly and wildflower viewing opportunities.

Although there are numerous areas on the Huron National Forest for the public to view native plants/wildflowers, these areas are seldom, if ever visited by the general public. The lack of established trails into these areas keeps them hidden and unappreciated. The newly-constructed Mio administrative office site represents a unique opportunity to provide a native pollinator viewing area due to its high public visibility.

This project will continue as suitable native species are relocated to the site from adjacent lands in order to highlight the native biodiversity.



Figure 1: Huron National Forest Native Pollinator Garden as viewed from visitor parking area.

Year Awarded: 2008

Project completion: 2008+

Report number: 1

Expenditures:

- NFN3FY08 funding \$3000
- expend. \$775.07 (NFN3)
+ \$652.80 (NFVW)

Budget:

- Garden (hoses, topsoil, bark, pavers): \$1,112.21
- Native Plants: \$182.01
- Interpretive Signage: \$133.65

Total: \$1427.87

Partners/Contractors/Coop: N/A

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Figure 2: Example plants and labels from garden



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