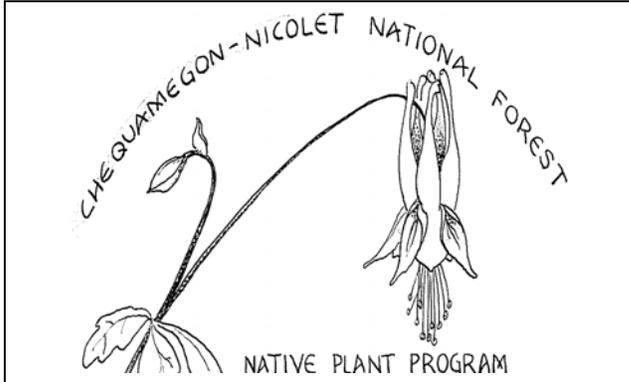


Growing a Native Plant Program

2005 Accomplishments



The Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest launched a native plant program in 2005. Site preparation for native plant nurseries was completed at four of the Forest's administrative sites and at the Oconto River Seed Orchard. Custom-made signs were on display during this "transition period". The focus of this year's efforts was on seed collecting. A highly-skilled botanist devoted his entire summer to collecting native seed from the Forest's three seed zones. A wide array of species were collected, including bottlebrush grass (*Elymus hystrix*), Canada wild rye (*Elymus canadensis*), wild bergamot (*Monarda fistulosa*), black-eyed susan (*Rudbeckia hirta*), early sunflower (*Heliopsis helianthoides*), columbine (*Aquilegia canadensis*), and swamp milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*).

Native Plant Program NFN3 Project Status Report.

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Site preparation for a native plant garden/nursery at the CNNF S.O in Park Falls.



Collecting grasses at Moquah Barrens



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