

Native Grass Seed Bank Santa Rosa Ranger District Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest

2005 Accomplishments

The Santa Rosa district was funded to establish a native and local seed bank. The native seed bank will supply the district with affordable, locally adapted seed with our partners at Lucky Peak Nursery on the Boise National Forest. The district uses seed for areas affected by fire and herbicide application.

The Santa Rosa District has a history of frequent, severe wildfires. Lands surrounding this district are typically low elevation rangelands that are heavily infested with cheatgrass, noxious weeds, and other annuals. Restoration of native species is an important tool after fire and as part of our integrated weed control program.

The following grasses and forbs were collected in the summer and sown by Lucky Peak Nursery in the fall of 2005. Lucky Peak will harvest seed produced over the next two years to help develop the Santa Rosa seed bank.

- Needle-and-thread grass
- Squirrel tail grass
- Indian rice grass
- Great basin wildrye
- Blue bunch wheat grass
- Western wheatgrass
- Desert globemallow
- Sulfur buckwheat

Year Awarded: 2005
Projected Completion: 2007
Report Number: 1 of 3

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Native seed collecting site.

Interim Report

2005 Expenditures: \$4450 for collection of material

\$26,020 was obligated to Lucky Peak Nursery for work over the next two years.

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