

Northern New Mexico Native Plant Project – Propagation of Locally Adapted Native Plants for Habitat Restoration

2007 Accomplishments

Due to unanticipated personnel shortages, no field work was accomplished during year one of this project. Instead, funds were obligated to a Forest Service Enterprise Team that is now working with the Carson National Forest on accomplishments during years two through four of this project.

The second year of this project calls for:

- botanical surveys for source areas of local genotypes
- collection of plant stock for nursery propagation
- establishment of nursery production blocks at the NRCS Plant Materials Center

Accomplishments for second year:

- Identification of areas on forest that will require native plant material for future restoration
- Botanical surveys of Rio Fernando, Bitter Creek and Pioneer Creek
- Suitable native plant stock identified for Forest objectives (approx. 15 species collected)
- Native plant material processed and cleaned for storage and future increase and propagation
- Memorandum of Agreement initiated with NRCS Plant Material Center, Creede, Colorado (2 year agreement with value of \$45,000)



Riparian habitat restoration is one focus for the use of native plant materials on the Carson NF.

Year Awarded: 2006

Project completion: Year 2

Report number: 2 of 4

Expenditures:

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| • FY06 funding | \$83,000 |
| • FY07 Expended | \$20,000 |
| • Remaining | \$63,000 |

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