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2007 Accomplishments

The new Truckee Ranger District office will be surrounded by native plant materials. Site preparation includes soil amendments before native plants are planted. The Comstock Seed Company collected 123 lbs. of bitterbrush and squirrel tail seed locally. Seeds distribution will cover four acres and be hydro-mulched.

The Placerville Nursery is growing 2,000 seedlings.

The seedlings will subsequently be planted on a one acre parcel of the site.

The funds have been used to hire a seed collector, purchase irrigation plan and all supplies needed for installation of sprinklers, Biosol and Hydrosources for planting bitterbrush.

Funds have been obligated to purchase 400 cu yard compost made from locally collected materials and hire the Adaptive Management Services to install the sprinkler system and prepare the site for planting.

Planting will be done by Truckee River Watershed Council volunteers during Truckee River Day 2008.



Figure 1. The lead contaminated topsoil has been removed during the summer of 2007.



Figure 2. The collected seeds and bitterbrush seedlings will be planted with compost and then irrigated with sprinklers.

Year Awarded: initial award in 2007

Project completion: 2008

Report number: 1 of 2

Fiscal Year 2007:

Project completion: Oct. 15, 2008

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Expenditures:

FY07 funding: 41,000 Expended: \$11,000 Obligated: \$30,000 Remaining: \$ 0.00

Partners/Contractors/Coop: Truckee River Watershed Council, Full Circle Compost, Comstock Seed Co. Adaptive Management Services Enterprise Team, Placerville Nursery, Great Outdoor Landscaping, The

Villager Nursery.

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