

# Restoration of native under-story

## 2007 Accomplishments

Restoration of native habitats is occurring at 3 sites.

1). Sandy River Delta. Restoration of the native riparian hardwood gallery forest has been on-going for several years. Included in this effort is the restoration of the native grass under-story. The restoration effort has been evolving over time in an adaptive management fashion. Restoration of wetlands and oak savannah has also been initiated. Most of this work has been funded through partnerships. A total of over 400 ac. of riparian hardwood forest, 40 ac. of wetland and 15 ac. of oak savannah have been or are being restored.

2). Balfour/Klickitat. Site prep has been on-going for 2 years. Seeding of the native herbaceous under-story will be initiated in the fall of 2007, followed by planting of native shrubs and oak/pine over-story in 2008. A total of 20 ac. will be restored. In addition, 2-3 ac. of wetland will be planted.

3). Collins Slide Area. This area is key habitat for western pond turtle and restoration of upland meadows was identified as critical for nesting habitat restoration. The initial 2 ac of open meadow was site prepared this year and will be seeded with native grasses. Additional meadows will be treated in the coming years.



Year: 2006-2007

Project completion: on-going.

Report number: 1 of 1

Expenditures:

- FY07 funding: Approx. FS: 50K, COE 250K, BPA 100K.
- Expend: all

Partners/Contractors/Coop:

BPA, COE, DU, AshCreek Forest Mgt., Gorge Ecology Institute, and others

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*Balfour Recreation site*



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