## Ochoco National Forest and Crooked River National Grassland

## FY07 Native Plant Material Accomplishments

Our Native plant funding provided the opportunity to collect and test new species that have potential for revegetation.

## **Ochoco National Forest:**

- Purchased hot rock penstemon (*Penstemon deustus*) seed for rehabilitation of disturbed areas, such as log landings, closed roads, firelines, etc.
- Purchased 2,400 pounds of blue wildrye seed (*Elymus glaucus*).
- Collected 6 pounds of heartleaf arnica seed (*Arnica cordifolia*) for field propagation testing.
- Through the Region 6 Native Grass & Forb Seed Production Contract:
  - Contracted for propagation of 600 lbs. of bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) and 200 lbs. of Sandberg's bluegrass (*Poa sandbergii*) to be harvested in 2008.
  - o Contracted for field testing propagation of heartleaf arnica seed that was collected this year

## **Crooked River National Grassland:**

- Collected seeds of Canby's biscuitroot (*Lomatium canbyi*; an important tribal plant) and rock buckwheat (*Eriogonum sphaerocephalum*) for nursery propagation. Plants will be propagated to improve wildlife habitat and enhance populations of a cultural plant used by local Native American Tribes.
- Contracted for production of 50 lbs. of silvery lupine (*Lupinus argenteus*) and 200 lbs. of prairie junegrass (*Koeleria macrantha*) for delivery in 2008.
- Planted 7 acres with native shrubs that were grown locally using 2005 Native Plant Initiative funding.



Bitterbrush and buckwheat seedlings grown by a local native plant nursery for revegetation of the Geneva Fire, Crooked River National Grassland, spring 2007



Planting native shrubs in Geneva 3 wildfire area, Crooked River National Grassland, March 2007



Native plant funding has helped us test the use of native grasses for revegetating disturbed lands on Crooked River National Grassland

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**Expenditures:** \$15,000 of NFN3 and \$25,000 of NFWF to collect and propagate native plant materials. Other FY07 funding for our native revegetation also came from Intermountain West Joint Ventures, Title II, National Forest Foundation, FS Centennial, and Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board.

**Partners/Contractors/Coop:** Private seed growers, a local private native plant nursery, and our range and wildlife Forest Service colleagues. Other funding has come from

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