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INTRODUCTION

The Aberdeen Plant Materials Center (PMC) entered into an agreement with Lava Beds National Monument in 1992 to produce seed and plants of native plant species for revegetation purposes and to develop propagation methods. This agreement is in effect through 1996. However, due to delays in road construction, a significant portion of the tasks outlined in the original agreement are on hold indefinitely.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Seed production of sulphurflower buckwheat *Erigonum umbellatum* accession no. 9067430 was 3.7 pounds cleaned. Because of the extremely wet spring, the plants did not perform as well as expected.

TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENTS

This seed production field was the first field to have small plants transplanted after weed barrier installation. The PMC will continue to monitor the interaction between the weed barrier and plant performance.

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