

# Revegetation with Native Plants Training Curriculum in Region One

## 2008 Accomplishments

In 2008, the Region's Native Plant Program initiated a multi-year training curriculum on revegetation and restoration utilizing native plant materials. The initial session consisted of a Revegetation with Native Plants Workshop, a two-day training which covered a wide variety of topics of interest to revegetation practitioners. Over 120 participants attended from seven different states and included state, federal, and Tribal representatives, USFS Research, Universities, local seed nurseries, industry reclamation consultants, Western Federal Highways managers, and various FS resource program managers and specialists from Regions 1, 4, 5, and 6.

In the future, the multi-year training curriculum will focus on general interest revegetation-restoration topics in even years and resource-specific technical training topics in alternate years. Training may include soil bioengineering, habitat and species, project design, seed selection and storage, and site preparation.



Figure 1. On-the-ground training at a high elevation reclamation site near Yellowstone Park. Site-adapted native plant materials can contribute to the success of projects involving difficult growing conditions and short growing seasons.



Figure 2. Over 120 attendees participated in Region One's Revegetation with Native Plants Workshop, Missoula, MT in 2008

Year awarded: Initial funding was awarded in 2008.

Project completion: 2010

Report number: 1 of 3

Expenditures (through 10/2008):

- Total funding for multi-year curriculum was \$8,000.
- In FY08 \$ 2,000 was expended.
- Balance of \$6000 remains for FY09 and FY10.

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