Malheur National Forest

2008 Native Plant Material Accomplishments

• FY2008 funds were used to locate and map new source populations and collect 30 lbs. of seed from 32 populations (~100 acres) of native grass and forb species. Additionally, 13 gallons of fruits from four different hardwood species were collected from 5 populations (~3 acres):

10 lbs. Leymus cinereus (basin wildrye)

9 lbs. Elymus elymoides (bottlebrush squirreltail)

11 lbs. *Achillea millefolium* (yarrow)

4 gallons Cornus sericea (red-osier dogwood)

3 gallons Sambucus nigra (blue elderberry)

4 gallons *Prunus virginiana* (choke cherry)

2 gallons *Sorbus scopulina* (mountain ash)

Additionally, 17 new potential source populations (~61 acres) were located and mapped for the following species: *Pseudoroegneria spicata* (bluebunch wheatgrass), *Koeleria macrantha* (prairie junegrass), *Poa secunda* (Sandberg bluegrass), *Deschampsia cespitosa* (tufted hairgrass).

• Using FY2007 funds, 2,535 lbs. of native grass seed was produced this year:

300 lbs. *Elymus elymoides* (figure 1)

1,000 lbs. *Bromus carinatus* (mountain brome)

800 lbs. *Elymus glaucus* (blue wildrye)

185 lbs. Poa sanbergii

250 lbs. Pseudoroegneria spicata

Excess seed from 2008 production fields of *Bromus* carinatus, *Elymus glaucus*, and *Elymus elymoides* (1,775 lbs.) has been ordered with FY2009 funds.

 Seeds produced in previous years were used for revegetation in 2008 projects such as culvert replacements for anadromous fish habitat improvement, landings and skidtrails in timber sales, fires, and road decommissioning.



Figure 1. bottlebrush sqirreltail production field

Year Awarded: 2008

Project completion: 2008

Report number: 1 of 1

Expenditures: \$21,621 Total

\$ 8,000 (NFN3) \$13,621 (NFVW)

Partners/Contractors/Coop: Bensen Farms Inc., Currans Family Farm, retired Forest Service botanist contracted for mapping and collection of native plants.

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