



2006 "VOLUNTEERS WORKING WITH INVASIVES" GRANTS REPORT FORM

Display Report

PROJECT BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Project Title:	Invasive Species Management with Volunteers	
Region: Use region number ONLY	1	
Station:	Mid-Columbia Refuges Complex	
Contact Person: Name and Phone Number	Howard Browers 509-371-9212	
Project Description: (Up to 250 words)	Project will initiate a program for the early detection, monitoring and mapping of invasive species on McNary and Umatilla NWRs using Refuge volunteers. The initial program will center on the recruitment, training, and management of volunteers in partnership with the Refuge Friends Group Friends of the Mid-Columbia River Wildlife Refuges. Priority species that are not prevalent but pose a future threat, and for which an early detection early response program would be most beneficial include rush skeletonweed, tamarisk, and yellow starthistle. Monitoring and mapping of more established and widespread weeds such as phragmites and false indigo would also benefit from the program. The initial year would involve purchasing of GPS units and initiate the recruiting and training of volunteers on the operation of hand held GPS equipment, weed identification, monitoring protocols and data entry.	
List of Invasives Species Targeted:	Common Name	Scientific Name
	rush skeletonweed	<i>Chondrilla juncea</i>
	camelthorn	<i>Alhagi maurorum</i>
	salt cedar	<i>Tamarix spp.</i>
Project Status:	Completed	
Project Completion Date or Estimated Completion Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)	09/30/2006	

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Volunteer Affiliation:	
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(Check all that apply)	VA_FriendsGrp	VA_Other
Volunteer Involvement: Describe the type of work the volunteers performed. (Up to 150 words)	Volunteers are being recruited through existing Friends Group and local conservation groups.	
Total Number of Volunteers:		
Total Number of Volunteer Hours:		
Partnerships: List both new and existing partnerships utilized in this project. (Up to 150 words).		

PROJECT RESULTS

Project Results: Give an overview of the results of the project. Include quantifiable measure of success, such as maps produced, efficacy of control measures, number of sites where invasions were detected early and responded to, number of community contacts, etc. (Up to 250 words).	Mapping inventory equipment purchased. Recruitment of volunteers initiated.
Number of Acres Treated:	
Number of Acres Inventoried and/or Mapped:	
Number of Acres Restored:	

BUDGET INFORMATION

Budget: Account for funds in broad categories such as equipment, volunteer stipends, travel, coordinator salary/contract, etc.

Total Grant Amount:	\$ 7,250
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Breakdown of Expenditures:

Category	Total \$ Spent	% of Total Grant
Equipment / Supplies	7,250	100
Chemical		
Biocontrol Agents		
Travel		
Volunteer Stipends		
Volunteer Coordinator Salary/Contract		
Restoration Materials		
Other		
TOTAL	7,250	100

Recommendations: (OPTIONAL) How useful was this program for meeting refuge invasive species objectives and how can it be improved?	
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