

Mendocino Coast Weed Management Area
Coordinator's Report

NFWF PTI 2005/06 Project Management

Total Expended (as of 2/28/06): **NFWF \$22,889** **Matching \$58,978**

Total Projected: **NFWF \$50,000** **Matching \$59,000**

Phase I

1. Milestones
 - a. Prepare Memo of Agreement and circulate to Partners for review and signature-complete
 - b. Meet with ~~Steering~~ Planning Committee to draft Strategic Plan-done, final draft expected by March 15
 - c. Meet with ~~Steering~~ Planning Committee to draft WMA Mission and ~~Vision~~ Goals Statements-incorporated into Strategic Plan
 - d. Collect and integrate existing data from Partners on weed distribution-in progress
 - i. Completed:
 - State Parks- MU reports, hand-drawn polygons on maps
 - Mendocino Botanical Gardens- list
 - Mendocino Land Trust- hand-drawn polygons on maps
 - JDSF- hand-drawn polygons on maps
 - College of Redwoods- hand-drawn polygons on map
 - County-hand-drawn polygons on map
 - Caltrans-occurrences by mile-markers
 - Presence/Absence Section Attribute Table Created
 - P/A data from Experts Mapping Meeting Entered
 - ii. Scheduled for March
 - Complete Presence/Absence Section Attribute Table
 - Obtain GIS data layers for State Park MU's
 - Contact Partners for information for Management Areas definitions
 - Schedule additional meetings with WMA partners (CNPS, BLM)
 - Digitize hand-drawn polygons-partially done
 - Record in WIMS-entry of weed occurrences- started, need Management Areas from Partners
 - e. Review existing approaches to information management for weeds, formulate a recommendation for presentation to Steering Committee, and meet with Steering Committee to select an approach-complete
 - f. Meet with subcommittee to develop 2 educational materials-complete
 - g. Print educational materials and prepare for public meetings-complete
 - h. Develop and publish introductory WMA website-complete
2. Budget
 - a. Planned: \$18,000 NFWF, \$7100 Matching
 - b. Expended (as of 02/28/06): \$13,797 NFWF, \$11,870 Matching
 - c. Forecast: \$14,000 NFWF, \$11,870 Matching
3. Time

- a. Proposed Completion Date: 11/1/2005
- b. Expected Completion Date: 3/15/2006

Phase II

- 1. Milestones
 - a. Hold 5 public meetings to distribute educational materials, gather information on weed distribution, get public input on priorities and recruit volunteers for weed surveys and control
 - i. Completed:
 - 1. Caspar, October 27, 2005
 - 2. Mendocino, November 19, 2005
 - 3. Gualala, December 9, 2005
 - 4. Boonville, February 22, 2006
 - ii. Scheduled:
 - 1. Fort Bragg, March 15, 2006
 - b. Meet with ~~Steering~~ Planning Committee to review public input and identify priority sites-April
 - c. Update weed distribution database with data from public meetings-March
 - d. Meet 3 times with ~~Steering Committee~~ each Workgroup to develop strategies for
 - i. weed surveys-drafts will be complete in March
 - ii. sensitive species surveys-not scheduled,
 - iii. treatment-not scheduled,
 - iv. monitoring of treatment sites-not scheduled
 - e. Conduct survey of sensitive species at priority treatment sites
 - f. Contact community organizations and institutions to recruit volunteers for weed surveys and control-not scheduled
 - g. Initiate weed surveys on 50 miles of roadsides-in progress
 - i. Mario Abreu- Hwy 1 and Albion River
 - ii. Peter
 - iii. Tara-Stewarts Point Road, Mountain View Road, Hwy 1 from Jenner to Gualala, Orr Springs Road, East of Montgomery Woods
- 2. Budget
 - a. Planned: \$16,000 NFWF, \$23,320 Matching
 - b. Expended: \$9736 NFWF, \$15,111 Matching (preliminary figure)
- 3. Time
 - a. Proposed Completion Date: 05/31/2006

Phase III

- 1. Milestones
 - a. Treat priority sites, including 5-10 miles of roadside and 20-50 acres, 10 volunteer workdays
 - 1. Completed:
 - 1. Big River Laguna- 1 workday (11/19), 11 volunteers at 60.5 hours, 3 staff at 11.5 hours, acres?
 - 2. Big River Stewards- 2 workdays (1/21, 2/18), 64 hours
 - 3. Other State Parks- 30 hours, 2 volunteers
 - 4. Albion Roadside Broom Removal- 42 hours, 9 volunteers, 1 volunteer workdays, miles?

5. CCC work funded by Caltrans- 1088 hours, acres or miles?
6. Mendocino County Agriculture-7 hours survey & eradication
7. Mendocino Headlands- 1 workday (03/04/06), 5 volunteers at 17 hours
8. European beachgrass (MacK)- 567 hours
9. Iceplant (MacK)- 13 hours
10. Other
11. Total: 5 workdays, 1918 hours
2. Scheduled:
 1. Big River - Saturday, March 18
 - b. Continue weed surveys on 150 miles of roadside
 - c. Update weed information database with treatment information and survey data
 - d. Conduct 7 presentations on invasive plants at public events and distribute educational materials to nurseries
2. Budget
 - a. Planned: \$11,000 NFWF, \$25,280 Matching
 - b. Expended: \$17 NFWF, \$31,997 Matching (preliminary figure)
3. Time
 - a. Proposed Completion Date: 07/2006

Coordinator's Activities in February, 2006

1. Education & Outreach (63%, \$2549)
 - a. Public Meeting scheduling, cancelling, rescheduling, publicity and conducting
 - b. Partner invitation preparation and mailing
 - c. EO Element in Strategic Plan- editing
 - d. Workgroup meeting preparation, attendance and minutes
 - e. Newsletter, website content and mailing lists updates
2. Information Management (16%, \$645)
 - a. GIS analysis of "rangeland" in MCWMA
 - b. Digitizing of Weed Distributions
 - c. Roadside Survey Form Preparation
 - d. Website restructure, backup
 - e. IM Element in Strategic Plan- editing
 - f. Workgroup meeting preparation, attendance and minutes
3. Projects (5%, \$204)
 - a. Obtaining Adopt-A-Road Application
 - b. Workgroup meeting preparation, attendance and minutes
 - c. Projects Element in Strategic Plan- editing
4. Financial & Funding (2%, \$90)
 - a. Record-keeping
5. Planning (14%, \$545)
 - a. Strategic Plan editing
 - b. Correspondence
 - c. Committee meeting preparation, attendance and minutes

Total for 2/1/06- 2/28/06:

\$4033 (101 hrs effort, 18 hrs and 680 miles travel, \$222 expenses)

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