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Abstract

The forested, 640-acre McKenna Hill Drop Zone (the Site) at the Fort Benning Military Reservation in Georgia was cleared in 1988 for paratrooper training. Trees were harvested, stumps were grubbed and buried, and most of the Site was graded to flatten hilltops and fill in ravines. These activities resulted in mixing of the nonharvested vegetation, litter, duff, and topsoil with subsoil, leaving extensive bare areas. Because no efforts were made to establish a vegetational cover following the grading operations, the exposed soils were subject to severe erosion. Deep gullies developed, and eroded sediments accumulated in lowlands and in adjacent forest stands, causing damage to trees and understories. In addition to various rehabilitation efforts (1991–1994) to reduce soil erosion by installing structures to reduce runoff (water) and by increasing vegetational cover, surveys were conducted in 1993 and 1994 to evaluate the Site's ability to support spontaneous vascular plants. Of the 154 plant species recognized for the Site, 146 were considered spontaneous; the remaining 8 species were planted during the rehabilitation efforts to increase vegetational cover. The 146 spontaneous plant species represented 110 genera and 60 families. Among the seed plants, the number of species ranged from 60 (forbs) to 5 (brambles), but the number of species of graminoids, shrubs, trees and vines were in a relatively narrow range, from 15 to 25. The Site has the potential to support a rather rich native flora if soil erosion is arrested.



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The McKenna Hill Drop Zone (the Site) was constructed in 1988 for paratrooper training by clearing about 640 acres of mostly hilly, forested land adjacent to the McKenna Hill Airport, within the Fort Benning Military Reservation in Georgia.

After trees were harvested from the Site, stumps were grubbed and buried, some ridge tops were flattened, and ravines were filled in across most of the Site. These activities resulted in the mixing of the remaining vegetation, litter, duff, topsoil, and subsoil — forming relatively infertile bare areas that were subject to severe soil erosion.

Because of the soil erosion on the Site, rills and deep gullies formed along slopes, and sediment accumulated in the lowlands. The soil erosion also caused off-site sediment outwash and accumulation in adjacent forested areas, leading indirectly to the death of trees and their understories. Wildlife habitat was also adversely affected, particularly some cavity (den) trees of the endangered Red Cockaded Woodpecker.

Following rehabilitation efforts on selected portions of the Site by Fort Benning personnel, a more comprehensive rehabilitation project was initiated in April 1991 under the management of investigators from Argonne National Laboratory (Argonne). The goal of the Argonne project was to reduce soil erosion by installing structures to control runoff (water) and by increasing vegetational cover (see Addendum for details concerning these portions of the project). The project also included surveys, conducted in 1993 and 1994, to evaluate the Site's ability to support spontaneous vascular plants. This report presents the findings of the two vascular plant surveys.



2.1 Location

The Fort Benning Military Reservation (Fort Benning) is located near the city of Columbus in west-central Georgia. Fort Benning encompasses over 180,000 acres, occupying considerable portions of Muscogee and Chattahoochee Counties in Georgia and extending across the Chattahoochee River into a relatively small portion of Russell County, Alabama (Figure 1).

The area of concern, the McKenna Hill Drop Zone (the Site), is located within the boundaries of the Fort Benning Military Reservation southeast of Columbus, Georgia, in Chattahoochee County along Hourglass Road east of U.S. Highway 27-280. The southwest corner of the Site begins about a mile east of the 8th Division Road t-junction with Hourglass Road (Figure 2).

2.2 Physiography

Georgia consists of five provinces. The Cumberland Plateau, the Ridge and Valley, and the Blue Ridge Provinces occupy relatively small areas in the north and northwestern portions of the state. South of these provinces are the Piedmont Plateau Province, which runs to about the middle of the state, followed southward by the large Coastal Plain Province.

The boundary line between the Piedmont Plateau Province and the Coastal Plain Province is called the Fall Line because of the steep falls of rivers, creeks, etc. as they cross the boundary. The Fall Line runs across the state from west-southwest to east-northeast, roughly following a line from Columbus to Macon to Augusta (Carter 1974; Duncan and Kartesz 1981; Brown and Kirkman 1990).

The Fall Line also marks the zone where the metamorphic rock of the Piedmont Plateau meets the sedimentary rock of the Coastal Plain. Water falls and rapids were formed at the Fall Line when the cutting forces of water lowered the Coastal Plain surface as rivers and creeks flowed from the harder bedrock of the Piedmont Plateau onto the softer bedrock of the Coastal Plain (Rand McNally 1983).

Superimposed on the physiographic provinces of Georgia are Major Land Resource Areas, apparently based on landscape features such as topography and drainage patterns. One such area is the Carolina and Georgia Sand Hills area, which seemingly coincides with the southward side of the Fall Line (Figure 1). In Georgia, this area is called the Carolina and Georgia Sand Hills Major Land Resource Area. For this study, it covers the eastern portion of Muscogee County and the northern three fourths of Chattahoochee County; this area encompasses most of Fort Benning, including the Site (Johnson 1983; Green 1997).

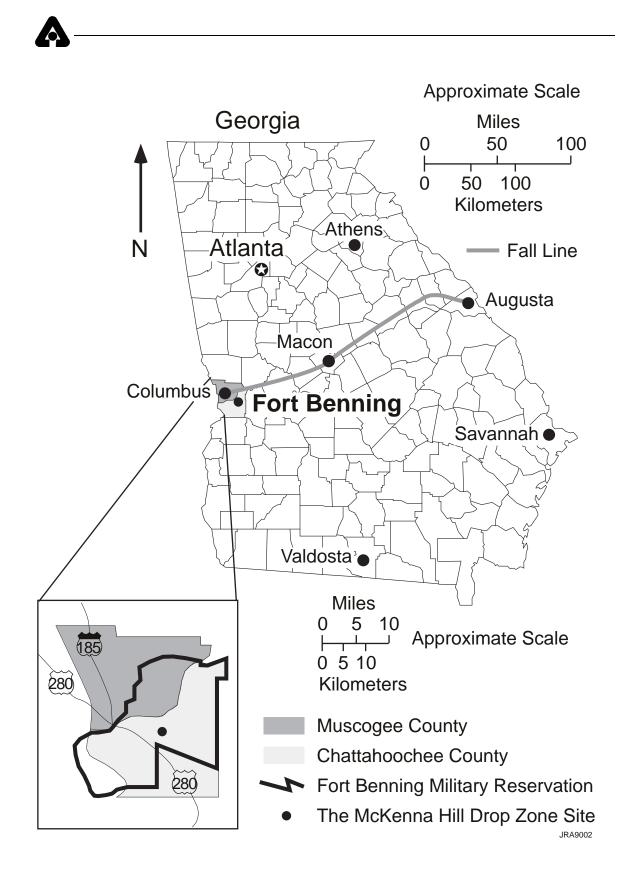


Figure 1 Location of the Fort Benning Military Reservation in West-Central Georgia (adapted from Johnson 1983; Brown and Kirkman 1990; Rand McNally 1993)

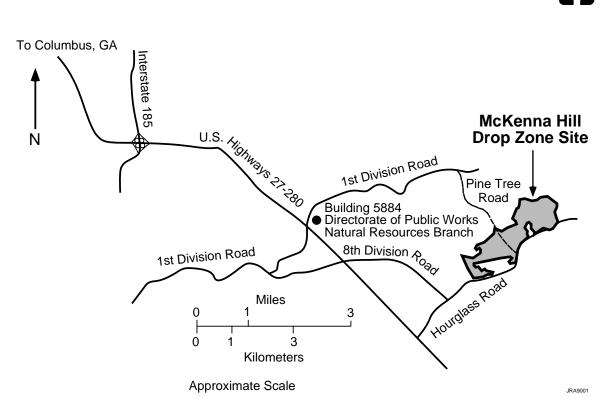


Figure 2 Location and Configuration of the Site

The Carolina and Georgia Sand Hills Major Land Resource Area contains primarily gently sloping to moderately steep uplands with well-drained soils that have a thick, sandy surface layer and a loamy subsoil. In some places, the subsoil is mostly firm and brittle.

To the north, the Southern Piedmont Major Land Resource Area consists mostly of very gently sloping to steep uplands with well-drained soils that have loamy surface layers and clayey subsoils.

The Southern Coastal Plain Major Land Resource Area, on the other hand, is characterized by very gently sloping soils on medium ridgetops with hillsides that extend to small drainageways; the hillsides are not as steep as those of the Southern Piedmont and the Carolina and Georgia Sand Hills Major Land Resource Areas (Johnson 1983; Green 1997).

2.3 Climate

The climatic conditions for the Site are similar to those reported for Columbus, Georgia (Carter 1974; Johnson 1983). The warmest months are July and August, with an average temperature of about 80.6 °F (27 °C). The coldest months are December and January, with an average temperature of about 47.4 °F (8.6 °C). The annual mean temperature is 64.3 °F (17.9 °C).

Precipitation is almost entirely in the form of rainfall, with a yearly average of 51.35 inches (in.) (131.7 millimeters [mm]). Normal total precipitation varies from an average monthly low of



2.17 in. (5.57 mm) in October to a high of 5.95 in. (15.3 mm) in March. The average precipitation in July, 5.65 in. (14.5 mm) is nearly equal to that in March.

The highest average annual relative humidity is 86% at 7 a.m., with an average monthly range of 83–89%. The lowest average annual relative humidity is 54% at 1 p.m., with an average monthly range of 49–60%.

2.4 Soils

Prior to modification of the Site for use as a drop zone in 1988, site soils were mapped by a soil survey team. Eight soil units were identified at the Site. Their unit names and textural features are as follows: Udorthents (loamy); Naukin (sandy clay loam); Ailey (loamy coarse sand); Dothan (loamy sand); Cowarts and Ailey (loamy sand); Fuquary (loamy sand); Troup (loamy sand); and Ochlochonee (sandy loam) (Fokes 1993; Green 1997).

Because the Site was altered considerably in 1988–1989 (see description below), these soil delineations are no longer applicable. The Site's different sandy-silty-clay soils might now be classified as various Urbanland complexes.

2.5 Site Alterations for Airborne Training

The hilly, mostly forested Site, consisting of about 637 acres (258 hectares [ha]), was cleared for a new airborne training drop zone during the winter of 1988–1989. Commercially useful portions of trees were harvested from the entire Site, except for the lower parts of Section A (Figure 3). (Note: Site sections were mapped and designated A–F by Argonne investigators in 1991.) The stumps were removed except for those throughout Section F and perhaps in some of the adjacent upland portions of Sections D and E. The grubbed stumps and slash were burned or pushed into ravines for burial. Some hilltops and ridges were flattened, and some ravines were filled in.

The clearing operations resulted in mixing of the unharvested vegetation, litter, duff, topsoils, and subsoils, leaving bare soil complexes over most of the Site. No measures were taken to provide a vegetational cover following the clearing operations, and the Site's exposed soils were subject to severe soil erosion.

2.6 Consequences of Soil Erosion

Erosion of the soils across the Site caused considerable damage to uplands, slopes, lowlands, and adjacent forested areas and waterways. Runoff from uplands, including the earthen runway of the McKenna Hill Airport, resulted in the formation of rills and deep gullies along slopes and the accumulation of sandy-silty-clay sediments in lowlands. Soil erosion also caused the outwash and accumulation of sediments in waterways. Pedons (soil particles) were transported beyond the Site's waterways, especially in Clear Creek and Clear Creek Pond (Figure 3).

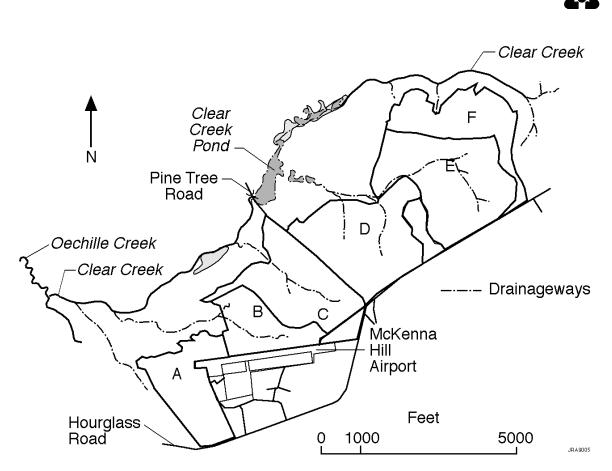


Figure 3 Six Sections (A–F) of the Site and Drainageways in Each Section

Outwash and accumulated sediments in adjacent forests buried large areas of understory vegetation and adversely altered soil factors enough to cause the death of some trees.

The tree deaths became a particular concern as early as 1990, because some of the dead and dying trees were used as cavity trees by the Red Cockaded Woodpecker (*Picoides borealis* = *Dendrocopus borealis*). Only certain living pines, especially *Pinus taeda* and *Pinus palustris*, can be used as cavity trees. The preferred trees are about 80 to 100 years old with a heartwood softening infection by the Red Heart fungus (*Phellinus pini*). When a suitable group of trees is available, one or more years may be required to prepare the cavities. The sudden death of cavity trees for a colony of the Red Cockaded Woodpecker may result in the loss of the Red Cockaded Woodpecker population because of limited opportunities for relocation (Walters 1991; Stangel 1993; Ertep and Lee 1994).

2.7 Erosion Control and Revegetation Efforts

Fort Benning personnel initiated rehabilitation efforts during the summer and fall of 1990. Their efforts focused on reducing the outwash and accumulation of sediments from the uplands and slopes of Section B, north-northwest of the McKenna Hill Airport Runway, into the adjacent forested area containing cavity trees.



They filled in gullies; smoothed slopes; constructed terraces; installed check dams with culverts; and limed, fertilized, and seeded (with grass) the lower slopes and valley floor. Later, riprap spillways were installed at the culvert outlet check dams, and pine seedlings were planted in the valley floor within the boundary area of the adjacent forest. In early 1991, pine seedlings were planted in the northeastern portions of the site (Sections E and F and a strip along the northern tree line of Section D).

Although Fort Benning personnel took measures to reduce soil erosion, sediment accumulation continued in the Red Cockaded Woodpecker colony area that continued to adversely affect cavity trees and other vegetation.

Other portions of the Site continued to be subject to severe erosion, which resulted in the formation of more rills and deep gullies, additional accumulation of sediments in lowlands, and outwash and accumulation of sediments into off-site locations. For example, a large portion of Clear Creek Pond (near the northwest boundary of the Site) filled in with sediments, and the water flow through Clear Creek Pond carried sediments downstream following heavy rainfalls.

2.8 Project Initiation

Because of the continuing soil erosion problems on the Site, investigators from the Center for Environmental Restoration Systems, Energy Systems Division of Argonne were directed to begin a land rehabilitation project. The project was carried out in collaboration with the following additional agencies: Environmental Management Division, Directorate of Public Works, Fort Benning Military Reservation; Environmental Division, Construction Engineering Research Laboratory; U.S. Army Corp of Engineers; and United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)/Natural Resources Conservation Service, Marion County Office, Georgia.

The initial objectives of the project were to select and evaluate the use of runoff control structures and revegetation methods. From 1991 through 1994, project efforts included site mapping and design, installation of different runoff control structures, site revegetation, and monitoring of the effectiveness of the runoff control and revegetation efforts (see Addendum for additional details). While runoff control and revegetation efforts were under way, Argonne conducted surveys of the Site's spontaneous vascular plants in 1993 and 1994.

3.1 Objectives

In addition to the land rehabilitation efforts, Argonne personnel conducted vegetational surveys to evaluate the Site's ability to support spontaneous vascular plants. The following subsection describes the methods used to conduct those surveys.

3.2 Methods

3.2.1 Field Surveys

Argonne personnel conducted the vegetational surveys by walking the Site section by section (Figure 3). During the July 1993 surveys, plant taxon lists were made for different topographic features (mostly on uplands and slopes) within each section. Specimens of the various types of plants identified (called "voucher specimens") were collected and preserved to confirm field identifications and to identify unknown taxa.

The May 1994 surveys were similar to the July 1993 surveys, but each taxon for each topographic list was assigned a subjective abundance number: 1 (rare), 2 (occasional), 3 (common), and 4 (abundant).

3.2.2 Voucher Specimens

Voucher specimens collected in the field were dried using a standard plant press, and herbarium specimens were prepared by using the process described in Porter (1967). In addition to the1993 and 1994 collections, several miscellaneous specimens were collected from the Site in 1991; these specimens were added to those collected during the 1993 and 1994 surveys. The voucher specimens are stored in the University Herbarium at Chicago State University (Chicago, Illinois).

3.2.3 Taxonomy

General

Numerous floristic references were used to confirm the field identifications of the voucher specimens collected during the field surveys. These reference manuals included the following: Gleason 1952a,b,c; Radford et al. 1968; Godfrey 1988; and Brown and Kirkman 1990. Argonne also conducted additional comparative taxonomic work in the herbarium of the Morton Arboretum (Lisle, Illinois).

Latin names used for the vascular plants in our study are those used by Radford et al. (1968). We selected this publication as the standard taxonomic reference for our work because it



appears to be the most comprehensive and the most applicable for the location of our investigation.

Fort Benning and County Floristics

Allen Pursell of the Natural Resources Management Branch of the Directorate of Public Works for Fort Benning provided Argonne with a general checklist of plant species for Fort Benning (the Fort Benning Plant List). The list contains over four hundred Latin names and collection numbers (Pursell 1993). Because voucher specimens for the species listed on the Fort Benning Plant List were not available, we were unable to confirm their identifications.

The Jones and Coile (1988) publication on the distribution of the vascular plants of Georgia was important for our study. The taxon distribution maps (by county) allowed us to compile a list of reported plant species for Chattahoochee County, in which the Site is located. We also listed the plant species for Muscogee County because a portion of Fort Benning is located in Muscogee County (Figure 1).

Prior to the 1988 Jones and Coile publication, Duncan (1950) published a preliminary report on the distribution (by county) of 87 tree species reported for Georgia. From this report, we compiled a list of tree species for Chattahoochee and Muscogee counties.

4.1 General Vegetational Features

Over 200 specimens of vascular plants were collected from the Site; from these, 154 species were identified. Among the 154 recognized plant species, 146 were considered to have occurred spontaneously; the remaining 8 species were planted (either as seeds or as seedlings). The 146 spontaneous species represented 110 genera in 60 families (see Appendix A.1 for a complete list of the identified species). All but one species of the spontaneous vascular plants were seed plants (spermatophytes) — the exception was *Pteridium acquilinum*, the Bracken Fern (Table 1).

As shown in Table 1, of the designated growth forms of seed plants, the number of species ranged from 60 forbs to 5 brambles. Of the forbs, 57 (or 39% of the 146 spontaneous species recognized for the Site) were dicots. The number of species of graminoids, shrubs, trees, and vines were in a relatively narrow range, from 15 to 25.

The number of species in sub-categories of the forbs, graminoids, and trees were noteworthy. There were considerably more dicots than monocots, grasses were more numerous than rushes, and angiosperm trees were far more numerous than gymnosperm trees.

Of the spontaneous seed plants that occurred across the Site during the period of the surveys, the dicot forbs represented the most aggressive pioneer species.

Table 1 Number and Percent of PlantSpecies, by Growth Form, that Occurredon Uplands and Slopes of the Site^a

Growth Form	Number of Species	Percent of Species
Ferns	1.0	0.7
Brambles	5.0	3.4
Forbs	60.0	41.1
(Monocots)	(3.0)	(2.1)
(Dicots)	(57.0)	(39.0)
Graminoids	20.0	13.7
(Grasses)	(14.0)	(9.6)
(Rushes)	(6)	(4.1)
Shrubs	20.0	13.7
Trees	25.0	17.1
(Angiosperms)	(21.0)	(14.4)
(Gymnosperms)	(4.0)	(2.7)
Vines	15.0	10.3

^a Table data based on 146 plant species collected during 1991, 1993, and 1994; see Appendix A.1.

4.2 Distribution Patterns of the Spontaneous Plant Species

Of the 146 spontaneous species identified, 15 were excluded from the distribution analyses: 6 were collected in 1991 but were not observed during the 1993 and 1994 surveys (*Andropogon scoparium, Danthonia compressia, Digitaria filiformis, Ipomoea hederacea, Quercus stellata,* and *Tephrosia virginiana*) and the remaining 9 were collected in moist to wet bottomlands but were not observed elsewhere during the surveys (*Acer rubrum, Heterotheca pilosa, Juncus debilis, J. dichotomus, J. effusus, J. georgianus, J. scirpoides, Panicum lanuginosum, Pyrrhopappus carolinianus, and Spigelia marilandica*). Appendix A.2 provides the patterns of distribution for the 131 spontaneous plant species across the six sections of the Site (A–F);



Appendix B.1 lists the distribution patterns for the eight planted species (mentioned in Section 4.1).

As Table 2 shows, the number of spontaneous plant species among the six sections varied from 45 in Section E to 74 in Section B.

Section B contained the largest number (74) of species. This number was not appreciably larger than the 70 species found in each of Sections C and F, probably because of collection errors, i.e., missing small, rare taxa represented by one or two individuals in an entire section. On the other hand, we expected to find a considerably larger number of species in Section F, compared to the other sections, because the stumps in this area had not been grubbed, so the soil profiles had not been mixed to the same extent and the seed bank was more intact than in the other sections.

The number of species (70) found in Section C was surprisingly high because this section was considered the most damaged section of the Site. At the time of our surveys, this section contained large bare areas and gullies; no rehabilitation treatments had been undertaken in this area, except in its uplands, which had been seeded with agricultural species.

The lowest number of species was found in Sections D (50 species) and E (45 species). These sections were similar because they were located on either side of the same watershed (see Figure 3) and received similar rehabilitation treatments. Both sections were planted with seedlings of *Pinus taeda*, which were fairly well established; however, vegetational cover between the pine seedlings was sparse, and erosion was evident, although some herbaceous plant seeding had occurred.

Of the 131 species identified, 18 (about 14%) occurred in all six sections of the Site. The number of species that were unique to each section varied from 1 for Section E to 14 for Sections B and C (Table 3).

As Table 4 reveals, the number of spontaneous plant species unique to each Site section, classified by growth form, was surprisingly different — particularly the growth form composition differences between Sections B and C.

Of the 14 plant species unique to Section B, 10 were dicot forbs: *Acalypha virginica, Carduus discolor, Eryngium yuccifolium, Eupatorium capillifolium, Euphorbia corollata, Helenium amarum, Solanum carolinense, Stylosanthes biflora, Trachelospermum difforme,* and *Verbena brasiliensis.*

Of the 14 plant species unique to Section C, 9 were shrubs: *Aralia spinosa, Baccharis halimifolia, Clethra alnifolia, Cyrilla racemiflora, Lathyrus hirsutus, Oxydendrum arboreum, Rhododendron canescens, Robinia hispida, and Viburnum rufidulum.*

	Section								
	Α	В	С	D	Е	F			
Number of Species	58	74	70	50	45	70			
Percent of Species	44.3	56.5	53.4	38.2	34.4	53.4			

Table 2 Number and Percent of Plant Species, by Section,that Occurred on Uplands and Slopes of the Site^a

^a Data based on the 131 plant species collected during the 1993 and 1994 vegetational surveys; see Appendix A.2 for detailed distribution list.

Table 3 Number and Percent of Plant Species that Occurred on
Uplands and Slopes across All Six Sections (A–F) of the Site and
Number and Percent Unique to Each of the Six Sections ^a

		Section									
	A–F	Α	В	С	D	Е	F				
Number of Species	18	6	14	14	5	1	11				
Percent of Species per Site (n = 131)	13.7	4.6	10.7	10.7	3.8	0.8	8.4				

^a For detailed distribution list, see Appendix A.2.

Although the species compositions provided useful information with respect to comparative taxonomic structures among the sections, we used subjective abundance values (discussed in Section 4.3) to evaluate the environmental influences of species and species diversity among the sections.

4.3 Abundance Values for the Spontaneous Plant Species

The number of plant species observed and assigned subjective abundance values varied from 43 for Section E to 68 for Section B (see Table 5 and Appendix A.3). (Abundance values for the eight planted species are provided in Appendix B.2.)

The sums of the abundance values for each section varied from 50 for Section A to 89 for Section B. The sums for Sections B and F, 89 and 86 respectively, are significantly higher than the sum for Section C (63).

The higher sums of the abundance values for Sections B and F indicate a higher plant species diversity than in Section C, although the number of species (or species richness) was about the same among the three sections.

	Section							
Growth Form	A–F	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	
Ferns	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Brambles	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Forbs	7	3	10	3	1	1	6	
(Monocots)	(1)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(1)	
(Dicots)	(6)	(3)	(10)	(3)	(1)	(1)	(5)	
Graminoids	1	0	2	1	3	0	0	
(Grasses)	(1)	(0)	(2)	(0)	(3)	(0)	(0)	
(Rushes)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(1)	(0)	(0)	(0)	
Shrubs	1	0	0	9	0	0	1	
Trees	4	1	2	1	1	0	0	
(Angiosperms)	(4)	(1)	(2)	(1)	(1)	(0)	(0)	
(Gymnosperms)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	
Vines	3	2	0	0	0	0	3	
Total	18	6	14	14	5	1	11	

Table 4 Number of Plant Species, by Growth Form, that Occurred onUplands and Slopes across All Six Sections of the Site and NumberUnique to Each of the Six Sections

Table 5 Number of Plant Species (n) that Occurred on Uplands andSlopes across the Six Sections of the Site, Sum of Average AbundanceValues (Sa) for each Section, and Quotient (Qf = Sa/n) for each Section^a

	Section						
	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	
Number of Species (n)	53	68	63	46	43	61	
Sum of Abundance Values (Sa)	50	89.2	58.5	50.7	53.0	85.5	
Quotient (Qf)	0.94	1.31	0.93	1.10	1.23	1.40	

^a Based on observations made during the 1994 subjective abundance surveys. Appendix A.3 provides a detailed list of the abundance values for the spontaneous plant species across the six sections of the Site.

Another approach taken by Argonne to explore the plant diversity at the Site was to calculate the vegetational quotient (Qf) by dividing the sum of the species abundance values (Sa) by the number of species for each section (n). As shown in Table 5, the Qfs varied from 0.93 for Section C to 1.40 for Section F. Although these ratios may have no ecological importance, they suggest a subjective rating of the habitat quality of the sections with respect to vegetational cover. We would likely rate the sections from highest to lowest habitat quality in the following order: F, B, D, E (or E, D), A, and C.

Abundance values for the 16 plant species that occurred across all six sections are shown in Table 6.

Plant species with the highest abundance values across the Site were *Rubus cuneifolius*, *Eupatorium compositifolium*, *Rhus copallina*, *Diospyros virginiana*, *Ipomoea pandurata*, and *Smilax bona-nox* (see Appendix A.3).

The sum of the abundance values for the 16 plant species in each section listed ranged from 35 for Section B to 21 for Section C. The distribution pattern for these sums is similar to the pattern for those mentioned previously in reference to Table 5. A conspicuous exception in Table 6 is the sum of the abundance values for the 16 species in Section C; this value is the lowest among the six sections.

	Section						
Growth Form/							Taxon
Latin Name	Α	в	С	D	Е	F	Sum
Brambles							
Rubus cuneifolius	3.3	3.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	2.8	17.1
Rubus flagellaris	1.0	3.0	2.2	1.5	1.5	0.5	9.7
Dicot Forbs							
Echinocystis lobata	0.5	0.7	1.3	1.7	1.3	2.3	7.8
Eupatorium compositifolium	2.5	2.5	2.0	2.3	2.8	2.5	14.6
Lespedeza hirta	1.5	1.8	0.3	1.0	1.8	2.0	8.4
Lespedeza virginica	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.5	1.0	4.1
Graminoids							
Danthonia sericea	1.0	1.5	0.7	1.3	2.0	2.5	9.0
Monocot Forbs							
Yucca filamentosa	0.5	1.8	1.2	2.3	2.3	1.0	9.1
Shrubs							
Hypericum hypericoides	0.3	0.8	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.8	5.6
Rhus copallina	2.5	2.7	1.7	2.7	3.0	3.5	16.1
Trees							
Carya pallida	0.3	3.4	0.7	1.3	2.0	2.0	9.7
Diospyros virginiana	3.0	2.8	2.2	2.2	2.5	2.5	15.2
Quercus marilandica	0.3	3.0	1.6	1.2	1.0	2.8	9.9
Sassafras albidum	1.0	0.7	1.0	1.3	2.3	2.8	9.1
Vines							
Ipomoea pandurata	2.0	3.8	0.8	2.2	0.8	1.8	11.4
Smilax bona-nox	2.1	2.8	2.2	1.0	2.8	2.0	12.9
Section Sum	22	35	21	27	31	34	

Table 6 Average Abundance Values for the 16 Plant Species that Occurred on Uplands and Slopes across All Six Sections of the Site^a

^a Detailed abundance values are provided in Appendix A.3.



The occurrence of these 16 plant species across all six sections indicates that they have broad ecological amplitudes and represent early seral species. The implication is that some or all of these 16 plant species are the most usable for initial plantings during rehabilitation efforts.

5.1 Proem

In this section, we compare taxonomic elements of our plant species list for the Site to three selected sources of floristic information. One source of information is the Fort Benning Plant List provided by Pursell (1993). The second source is a manual by Jones and Coile (1988) of distributions (by county) of vascular plant species in Georgia. The third source, by Duncan (1950), provides the distribution (by county) of selected tree species in Georgia.

5.2 Fort Benning Plant Species List

The list of vascular species given to Argonne for Fort Benning includes 447 species listed according to their Latin names, with collection numbers and families. Some species are annotated with respect to synonyms.

Because the "Species List of Fort Benning, December 29, 1992" (the Fort Benning Plant List) is first organized alphabetically by plant family, then by genus, and then by specific epithet, we complied the entire list on a computer spreadsheet to enable us to sort the list by different taxonomic categories or even collection numbers. However, we did not include the authors of the species and synonyms, as the original list does (Appendix C).

At the time of this report, we cannot validate the identification for the taxa on the Fort Benning Plant List because we were not able to examine voucher specimens, if they still exist. However, we did check the names against our taxonomic reference for the project, Radford et al. 1968. Only 13 of the 447 Fort Benning species are not treated by Radford and coauthors (1968). The 13 species are listed in column 4 of Appendix C (by gn or sn).

In comparing the Fort Benning Plant List with our plant list for the Site (Argonne Plant List), we found that 81 species are on both lists. However, 65 species on our list are not on the Fort Benning Plant List (Appendices A.1 and C).

Of the 65 new species, 52 are in the 39 genera included on the Fort Benning Plant List. Twelve species represent new genera and three species represent new families for Fort Benning (Table 7).

If the 65 new plant species and the original plant species list for Fort Benning remain valid, the total taxon list would increase to 512 plant species, which would be a very rich vascular plant flora.



5.3 Vascular Flora of Georgia

Jones and Coile (1988) published an atlas of vascular plant species comprising the flora of Georgia. The atlas includes natural and naturalized species of pteridophytes (ferns and fern allies), gymnosperms (conifers and one cycad), and angiosperms (flowering plants).

The distribution patterns of the vascular plant species in the Jones and Coile atlas are illustrated by using county dot maps. That is, each of the species (over 3,000) has a representative state map with each of the 159 counties shown. A plant species that is documented for a given county is represented by a dot map in that county. Some species are represented by one dot in one county for the entire state; others have a wide distribution and are represented by dots in nearly every county of the state.

From the Jones and Coile (1988) atlas, we compiled a list of species represented by dots in Chattahoochee and Muscogee counties, Georgia (Appendix D). Our list for these counties indicates which species are reported on the Fort Benning Plant List and on the Argonne Plant List.

A total of 187 plant species are reported by Jones and Coile (1988) for Chattahoochee and Muscogee Counties. Of these, 13 are marked in Chattahoochee County, 161 in Muscogee County, and 13 in both counties.

In comparing the Fort Benning Plant List with plant species reported for both counties by Jones and Coile (1988), we found 8 species in common with those noted for Chattahoochee County, 66 for Muscogee County, and 9 for both counties.

We cannot add any plant names to the Fort Benning Plant List from the 91 other species reported by Jones and Coile for the two counties, because we do not know whether they represent specimens collected within the boundaries of the military reservation. Conversely, we cannot use any plant names from the Fort Benning Plant List as new county records for either Chattahoochee or Muscogee Counties because we could not validate the taxa with voucher specimens (see Section 5.2).

In comparing species on the Argonne Plant List with those reported for both counties by Jones and Coile (1988), we found 25 species in common with those reported for Muscogee County, three species for Chattahoochee County (*Cornus florida, Prunus serotina, and Rhus copallina*), and six species for both counties (*Callicarpa americana, Cassia fasciculata, Oenothera laciniata, Phlox nivalis, Cyrilla racemiflora, and Quercus marilandica*).

Duncan (1950) published a list of 87 tree species and their distributions in Georgia. He also used dot maps to show county distribution for each tree species. From Duncan's report, we compiled a list of tree species for Muscogee and Chattahoochee Counties (Appendix E). Each species on this list was marked to indicate whether it was included on the Argonne Plant List (Appendix A.1), the Fort Benning Plant List (Appendix C), and the list of plant species for both counties (Appendix D) compiled from Jones and Coile (1988).

Table 7 Additional Species for the Fort Benning Plant List^a

New Species within Known Genera

Acalypha virginica Andropogon scoparius Arenaria stricta Campanula aparinoides Carduus discolor Carya pallida Clematis crispa Crataegus pulcherrima Danthonia compressa Desmodium viridiflorum Digitaria filiformis Eragrostis spectabilis Eupatorium capillifolium Eupatorium compositifolium Festuca octoflora Froelichia floridana Helianthus divaricatus Heterotheca pilosa Ipomoea hederacea Juncus dichotomus Juncus effusus Juncus georgianus Krigia virginica Lespedeza hirta Lespedeza intermedia Lespedeza virginica

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New Species within New Genera

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Caprifoliaceae Poaceae Plantaginaceae Fagaceae Fagaceae Fagaceae Fagaceae Fagaceae Anacardiaceae Fabaceae Fabaceae Rosaceae Rosaceae Rosaceae Polygonaceae Caryophyllaceae Liliaceae Liliaceae Liliaceae Commelinaceae Ericaceae Ericaceae Verbenaceae Caprifoliaceae Vitaceae Fabaceae

New Species within New Families

Acer rubrum Asimina parviflora Ulmus crassifolia Aceraceae Annonaceae Ulmaceae

^a References: Appendices A.1 and C.



Duncan's (1950) report listed 31 tree species for Chattahoochee and Muscogee Counties. Seventeen species are indicated for both counties, nine species for Chattahoochee County, and five species for Muscogee County (Appendix E). A total of 26 tree species is reported for Chattahoochee County and 22 for Muscogee County.

Our comparative floristics analysis (Appendix E) revealed that 4 species from the list compiled from Duncan (1950) are also included on the list compiled for both counties by Jones and Coile (1988), 16 species are also on the Fort Benning Plant List, and 14 are also on the Argonne Plant List. Among the 14 tree species on both the Duncan (1950) list and the Argonne list (Appendix E), 8 species are listed for both counties, 4 species are listed for Chattahoochee County (including one of the planted species of *Pinus* at the Site, *P. palustris*), and 2 species are listed for Muscogee County.

Duncan (1950) reports ten interesting tree species for the two counties (Appendix E) that are not on the Jones and Coile (1988) list, the Fort Benning Plant List, or the Argonne Plant List. *Betula nigra, Caltalpa bignonioides, Gleditsia triacanthos, Melia azedarach, Morus rubra,* and *Populus deltoides* are listed for both counties. *Broussonetia papyrifera, Carpinus caroliniana,* and *Celtis laevigata* are indicated for Muscogee County, but only *Quercus alba* is listed for Chattahoochee County.

Of the 146 spontaneous vascular plant species on the Argonne Plant List (Appendix A.1), about 130 species can be considered new records for Chattahoochee County, Georgia.

The last vegetational surveys were conducted at the Site in 1994. Therefore, new surveys need to be made to evaluate changes in the diversity of spontaneous plant species and assess the potential for rehabilitation to restore stable plant communities.

Apparently, the varied landscape at the Fort Benning Military Reservation supports a very rich vascular flora. The plant specimens listed on the Fort Benning Plant List need to be located and, if still in good condition, used to prepare herbarium voucher specimens to document the occurrences of species at particular locations.

All voucher specimens collected at Fort Benning need to be taken to a herbarium in Georgia for further taxonomic work and comparative floristic studies, especially in reference to the publications by Duncan and Kartesz (1981) and Jones and Coile (1988). We recommend the herbarium in the Department of Botany at the University of Georgia, Athens, for these investigations.

Fort Benning officials should enlist the help of a plant taxonomist with expertise in the flora of Georgia to annotate the herbarium voucher specimens represented on the Fort Benning Plant List and the Argonne Plant List. Then, the floristic information from both lists should be shared with plant taxonomists working on state and regional plant inventories.



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THE ARGONNE PLANT LIST (ALPHABETIC BY GENUS) MCKENNA HILL DROP ZONE (THE SITE), FORT BENNING, GEORGIA

GROUP A. SPONTANEOUS SPECIES; GROUP B. PLANTED SPECIES

TAXON CODE - Three letters from the generic name and two letters from the species name (specific epithet).

- YR Year in which that specimen number was collected.
- COLL. NO. Collection numbers. Numbers with _p indicates that the species was planted on the site by either seeds or seedlings.
- FB Refers to the Fort Benning Plant List (December, 1992): sp-species on list; go-genus on list but not species; fn-family not on list (Appendix C)
- MC MUSCOGEE COUNTY(Co.): N-not reported for Co.; R1-reported for Co. by Duncan, 1950; R2-reorted for Co. by Jones and Coile, 1988; R3-reported for Co. by Duncan, 1950 and Jones and Coile, 1988 (Appendices D and E).
- CC CHATTAHOOCHEE COUNTY (Co.): N*-not reported for Co. and thus new Co. record; R-1 reported for Co. by Duncan, 1950; R2-- reported for Co. by Jones and Coile, 1988; R3-reported for Co. by Duncan, 1950 and Jones and Coile, 1988 (Appendices D and E).
- GROWTH FORM: Growth form of species: BRAM-bramble; FERN-fern; FODI-herbaceous dicot; FOMO-herbaceous monocot; GRJU- graminoid/Juncaceae; GRPO-graminoid/Poaceae; SHRU-shrub; TREE-tree; VINE-vine.
- NAMES: Species, family and common names follow those of Radford and co-authors (1968, indicated as RAB under REF (reference) in last column unless otherwise indicated (G=Gleason, 1952 by volume; Gf=Godfrey, 1988).

The two letters va, vb, etc. following the Latin name indicate that the specimen represents a somewhat different morphological form of that species.

Common names in (____) were designated by the investigators of the present study for project use only.

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## Appendix A.2 Distribution Patterns of Spontaneous Plant Species across the Six Sections of the Site

### DISTRIBUTION PATTERNS OF THE SPONTANEOUS PLANT SPECIES AMONG THE SIX SECTIONS OF THE SITE INDICATED BY P (PRESENT) OR U (UNOBSERVED). INFORMATION BASED ON JULY 1993 AND MAY 1994 PLANT SURVEYS. MCKENNA HILL DROP ZONE, FORT BENNING MILITARY RESERVATION, GEORGIA.

LATIN NAME	GROWTH		SECTION				
	FORM,a	А	В	С	D	Е	F
IN ALL SECTIONS							
Arenaria stricta	FODI	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Carya pallida	TREE	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Danthonia sericea	GRPO	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Diospyros virginiana	TREE	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Echinocystis lobata	FODI	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Eupatorium compositifolium	FODI	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Hypericum hypericoides	SHRU	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Ipomoea pandurata	VINE	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Lespedeza hirta	FODI	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Lespedeza virginica	FODI	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Quercus marilandica	TREE	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Rhus copallina	SHRU	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Rubus cuneifolius	BRAM	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Rubus flagellaris	BRAM	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Sassafras albidum	TREE	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Smilax bona-nox	VINE	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Smilax glauca	VINE	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Yucca filamentosa	FOMO	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
IN SECTION A ONLY							
Crataegus pulcherrima	TREE	Р	U	U	U	U	U
Lespedeza bicolor	FODI	Р	U	U	U	U	U
Lonicera sempervirens	VINE	Р	U	U	U	U	U
Rhynchosia difformis	VINE	Р	U	U	U	U	U
Senecio smallii	FODI	Р	U	U	U	U	U
Specularia biflora	FODI	Р	U	U	U	U	U
IN SECTION B ONLY							
Acalypha virginica	FODI	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Carduus discolor	FODI	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Eremochloa ophiuroides	GRPO	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Eryngium yuccifolium	FODI	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Eupatorium capillifolium	FODI	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Euphorbia corollata	FODI	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Helenium amarum	FODI	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Paspalum urvillei	GRPO	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Platanus occidentalis	TREE	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Solanum carolinense	FODI	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Stylosanthes biflora	FODI	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Trachelospermum difforme	VINE	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Ulmus alata	TREE	U	Р	U	U	U	U
Verbena brasiliensis	FODI	U	Р	U	Ū	U	Ū

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IN SECTION C ONLY							
Aesculus sylvatica	TREE	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Aralia spinosa	SHRU	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Baccharis halimifolia	SHRU	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Clethra alnifolia	SHRU	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Cyrilla racemiflora	SHRU	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Juncus dichotomus	GRJU	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Lathyrus hirsutus	SHRU	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Oxydendrum arboreum	SHRU	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Polygala nana	FODI	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Rhododendron canescens	SHRU	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Robinia hispida	SHRU	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Silene acaulis	FODI	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Silphium dentatum (v)	FODI	U	U	Р	U	U	U
Viburnum rufidulum	SHRU	U	U	Р	U	U	U
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IN SECTION D ONLY	TDEE	<b>T</b> T			D	<b>T</b> T	
Asimina parviflora	TREE	U	U	U	Р	U	U
Helianthus divaricatus	FODI	U	U	U	Р	U	U
Lolium multiflorum	GRPO	U	U	U	Р	U	U
Paspalum dissectum	GRPO	U	U	U	Р	U	U
Triplasis americana	GRPO	U	U	U	Р	U	U
IN SECTION E ONLY							
Houstonia longifolia	FODI	U	U	U	U	Р	U
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IN SECTION F ONLY							
Aster paternus [syn]	FODI	U	U	U	U	U	Р
Clematis crispa	VINE	U	U	U	U	U	Р
Lithospermum caroliniense	FODI	U	U	U	U	U	Р
Oxalis stricta	FODI	U	U	U	U	U	Р
Phlox nivalis	FODI	U	U	U	U	U	Р
Schrankia microphylla	BRAM	U	U	U	U	U	Р
Tradescantia virginiana	FOMO	U	U	U	U	U	Р
Vaccinium arboreum	SHRU	U	U	U	U	U	Р
Vernonia angustifolia	FODI	U	U	U	U	U	Р
Vitis cinerea	VINE	U	U	U	U	U	Р
Wisteria frutescens	VINE	U	U	U	U	U	Р
IN TWO OR MORE SECTIONS							
IN FIVE SECTIONS							
IN FIVE SECTIONS	FODI	U	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Coreopsis major Erigeron strigosus	FODI	P	P	r U	P	P	P
Gnaphalium obtusifolium	FODI	P	P	P	P	P	U
Liquidambar styraciflua	TREE	P	P	P	P	P	U
Panicum laxiflorum	GRPO	P	U	P	P	P	P
Passiflora incarnata	VINE	P	P	P	P	P	U
Quercus falcata	TREE	U	P	P	P	P	P
Quercus margaretta	TREE	U	P	P	P	P	P
Quercus pumila	TREE	P	U	P	P	P	P
Silphium compositum	FODI	U	P	P	P	P	P
Smilax rotundifolia	VINE	P	P	P	P	U	P
Vaccinium elliottii	SHRU	P	P	P	U	P	P
Vaccinium vacillans	SHRU	P	U	P	P	P	P
IN FOUR SECTIONS		_	_		_	_	
Apocynum cannabinum	FODI	Р	Р	U	Р	Р	U

Campanula aparinoides	FODI	Р	Р	Р	U	Р	U
Ceanothus americanus	SHRU	Р	Р	Р	U	U	Р
Desmodium viridiflorum	FODI	U	U	Р	Р	Р	Р
Eragrostis spectabilis	GRPO	Р	Р	U	Р	Р	U
Ilex glabra	SHRU	P	Ū	P	U	Р	P
Pinus glabra	TREE	P	Ŭ	U	P	Р	P
Plantago aristata	FODI	P	P	Ŭ	P	U	P
Prunus serotina	TREE	P	P	P	U	Ŭ	P
Pteridium aquilinum	FERN	U	P	P	P	U	P
Quercus nigra	TREE	P	P	P	U	P	P
Rosa setigera	BRAM	U U	P	P	U	P	P
Rumex acetosella	FODI	P	P	U U	U	P	P
Kullex acclosella	FODI	Г	Г	0	0	Г	г
IN THREE SECTIONS							
Asclepias amplexicaulis	FODI	U	Р	Р	U	U	Р
Asclepias tuberosa	FODI	U	P	P	U	U	P
Cornus florida	SHRU	P	U	U	U	P	P
Krigia virginica	FODI	P	P	U	U	U	P
Malus angustifolia	TREE	P	U U	P	P	U	U
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Myrica cerifera	TREE	P U	P P	P U	P	U	P
Nyssa sylvatica							
Oenothera laciniata	FODI	U	P	Р	U	U	Р
Panicum ravenelii	GRPO	U	Р	Р	U	U	Р
Phytolacca americana	FODI	U	Р	U	U	Р	Р
Prunus angustifolia	TREE	Р	Р	U	Р	U	U
Quercus coccinea	TREE	U	U	Р	U	Р	Р
Rhus glabra	SHRU	U	U	U	Р	Р	Р
Specularia perfoliata	FODI	U	Р	U	Р	U	Р
Vaccinium darrowi	SHRU	U	Р	Р	U	U	Р
Vaccinium stamineum (v)	SHRU	Р	U	Р	U	U	Р
Vitis rotundifolia	VINE	U	Р	Р	Р	U	U
IN TWO SECTIONS	FOR	P			P		
Ambrosia artemisiifolia	FODI	Р	U	U	Р	U	U
Astragalus villosus	FODI	U	Р	Р	U	U	U
Callicarpa americana	FODI	U	U	U	Р	Р	U
Campsis radicans	VINE	Р	U	U	U	U	Р
Cassia fasciculata	FODI	U	Р	Р	U	U	U
Clematis reticulata	VINE	U	U	Р	U	U	Р
Crataegus flava	TREE	Р	U	U	U	U	Р
Festuca octoflora	GRPO	U	Р	U	U	U	Р
Froelichia floridana	FODI	U	U	Р	U	U	Р
Helianthemum rosmarinifolium	FODI	Р	U	U	Р	U	U
Juncus biflorus	GRJU	U	U	Р	U	U	Р
Lespedeza intermedia	FODI	U	U	Р	U	U	Р
Opuntia compressa	FODI	U	Р	U	U	U	Р
Plantago virginica	FODI	Р	Р	U	U	U	U
Polygala polygama	FODI	Р	Р	U	U	U	U
Rosa carolina	BRAM	U	Р	Р	U	U	U
Salix nigra	TREE	Р	Р	U	U	U	U
Stillingia sylvatica	FODI	Р	Р	U	U	U	U
Tetragonotheca helianthoides	FODI	U	Р	Р	U	U	U

a. See Appendix A.1 for explanation of growth form codes.



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## Appendix A.3 Abundance Values of Spontaneous Plant Species across the Six Sections of the Site

#### AVERAGE SUBJECTIVE ABUNDANCE VALUES FOR THE SPONTANEOUS PLANT SPECIES AMONG THE SIX SECTIONS OF THE SITE. INFORMATION BASED ON MAY 1994 SURVEYS. MCKENNA HILL DROP ZONE, FORT BENNING MILITARY RESERVATION, GEORGIA.

SA = SECTION LETTER AND NUMBER OF AREAS IN SECTION SURVEYED FOR TAXON ABUNDANCE

NA = NUMBER OF AREAS OF THE SECTION IN WHICH THE TAXON OCCURRED

ASAV = AVERAGE SUBJECTIVE ABUNDANCE VALUE. THE PLUS SIGN (+) INDICATES CONBINED VALUES FOR THAT TAXON.

LATIN NAME	GROWTH FORM,a	SA	NA	ASAV
SECTION A				
Ambrosia artemisiifolia	FODI	A4	1	0.3
Apocynum cannabinum	FODI	A4	1	0.3
Arenaria stricta (v)	FODI	A4	1	0.3
Campanula aparinoides	FODI	A4	3	0.5
Campaina aparnolaes	VINE	A4	2	1
Carya pallida	TREE	A4	1	0.3
Ceanothus americanus	SHRU	A4	2	0.8
Cornus florida	SHRU	A4	1	0.3
Crataegus flava	TREE	A4	1	0.3
Crataegus pulcherrima	TREE	A4	1	0.3
Danthonia sericea	GRPO	A4	4	1
Diospyros virginiana	TREE	A4	4	3
Echinocystis lobata	FODI	A4	2	0.5
Eragrostis spectabilis	GRPO	A4	4	2.5
Erigeron strigosus	FODI	A4	4	1.5
Eupatorium compositifolium	FODI	A4	4	2.5
Gnaphalium obtusifolium	FODI	A4	4	2
Helianthemum rosmarinifolium	FODI	A4	3	1.5
Hypericum hypericoides	SHRU	A4	1	0.3
Ilex glabra	SHRU	A4	1	0.3
Ipomoea pandurata	VINE	A4	4	2
Krigia virginica	FODI	A4	2	0.5
Lespedeza bicolor	FODI	A4	2	0.5
Lespedeza hirta	FODI	A4	4	1.5 +
Lespedeza virginica	FODI	A4	2	0.5
Liquidambar styraciflua	TREE	A4	3	1.4
Lonicera sempervirens	VINE	A4	1	0.3
Panicum laxiflorum	GRPO	A4	4	1.3
Passiflora incarnata	VINE	A4	3	0.6
Plantago aristata	FODI	A4	1	0.3
Plantago virginica	FODI	A4	2	0.5
Polygala polygama	FODI	A4	1	0.3
Prunus angustifolia	TREE	A4	3	1.3
Prunus serotina	TREE	A4	1	0.5
Quercus marilandica	TREE	A4	1	0.3
Quercus nigra	TREE	A4	3	1.4 +

Quercus pumila	TREE	A4	2	0.8	
Rhus copallina	SHRU	A4	4	2.5	
Rhynchosia difformis	VINE	A4	1	0.3	
Rubus cuneifolius	BRAM	A4	4	3.3	
Rubus flagellaris	BRAM	A4	3	1	
Rumex acetosella	FODI	A4	2	0.5	
Salix nigra	TREE	A4	2	0.5	
Sassafras albidum	TREE	A4	3	1	
Senecio smallii	FODI	A4	1	0.3	
Smilax bona-nox	VINE	A4	4	2.1	
Smilax rotundifolia	VINE	A4	2	1	
Specularia biflora	FODI	A4	2	0.8	
Stillingia sylvatica	FODI	A4	1 2	0.3	
Vaccinium elliotii Vaccinium stamineum	SHRU	A4 A4	2	0.5 0.3	
Vaccinium vacillans	SHRU SHRU	A4 A4	3	0.3 1.1	
Yucca filamentosa	FODI	A4 A4	2	0.5	
i ucca mamentosa	гоы	74	2	0.5	
SECTION B					
Acalypha virginica	FODI	B3	2	1.3	
Apocynum cannabinum	FODI	B3	2	1.2	
Asclepias amplexicaulis	FODI	В3	2	0.7	
Asclepias tuberosa	FODI	B3	1	0.7	
Astragalus villosus	FODI	B3	2	1.2	
Campanula aparinoides	FODI	B3	3	1.5	
Carduus discolor	FODI	B3	1	0.5	
Carya pallida	TREE	B3	3	3.4 +	
Ceanothus americanus	SHRU	B3	2	1	
Coreopsis major	FODI	B3	3	2	
Danthonia sericea	GRPO	B3	2	1.5	
Diospyros virginiana	TREE	B3	3	2.8	
Echinocystis lobata	FODI	B3	1	0.7	
Eragrostis spectabilis	GRPO	B3	3 3	2 1.8	
Erigeron strigosus Eryngium yuccifolium	FODI FODI	B3 B3	3 2	0.8	
Eupatorium compositifolium	FODI	B3	3	0.8 2.5	
Euphorbia corollata	FODI	B3	1	0.3	
Festuca octoflora	GRPO	B3	2	1.3	
Gnaphalium obtusifolium	FODI	B3	2	1.5	
Hypericum hypericoides	SHRU	B3	2	0.8	
Ipomoea pandurata	VINE	B3	3	3.8 +	
Krigia virginica	FODI	B3	1	0.5	
Lespedeza hirta	FODI	В3	1	1.8 +	
Lespedeza virginica	FODI	B3	1	0.7	
Liquidambar styraciflua	TREE	B3	2	1.3	
Myrica cerifera	SHRU	B3	1	0.3	
Nyssa sylvatica	TREE	B3	2	1	
Oenothera laciniata	FODI	B3	1	0.5	
Opuntia compressa	FODI	B3	1	0.7	
Platanus occidentalis	TREE	B3	1	0.3	
Panicum ravenelii	GRPO	B3	1	0.5	
Passiflora incarnata	VINE	B3	2	1.5	
Phytolacca americana	FODI	B3 B2	1	0.3	
Plantago aristata	FODI	B3 B3	2 2	2 + 1.2	
Plantago virginica Polygala polygama	FODI FODI	В3 В3	2	0.7	
Polygana polygama Prunus angustifolia	TREE	В3 В3	2	0.7	
Prunus angustitolia Prunus serotina	TREE	В3 В3	2	0.8	
Pteridium aquilinum	FERN	B3	2	1.5	
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Quercus falcata	TREE	B3	3	5 +
Quercus margaretta	TREE	B3	2	1.5
Quercus marilandica	TREE	B3	3	3 +
Quercus nigra	TREE	B3	2	2.5 +
Rhus copallina	SHRU	B3	3	2.7
Rosa carolina	BRAM	B3	2	0.7
Rosa setigera	BRAM	B3	1	0.5
Rubus cuneifolius	BRAM	B3	3	3
Rubus flagellaris	BRAM	B3	3	3
Rumex acetosella	FODI	B3	1	0.5
Salix nigra	TREE	B3	1	0.3
Sassafras albidum	TREE	B3	1	0.5
Silphium compositum	FODI	B3	3	2.5
Smilax bona-nox	VINE	B3	2	$\frac{2.3}{2.8}$ +
	VINE	В3	23	2.8 + 1.7
Smilax glauca			5	
Smilax rotundifolia	VINE	B3	-	0.7
Solanum carolinense	FODI	B3	2	1
Specularia perfoliata	FODI	B3	2	1.2
Stillingia sylvatica	FODI	B3	1	0.3
Stylosanthes biflora	FODI	B3	1	0.3
Tetragonotheca helianthoides	FODI	B3	1	0.7
Trachelospermum difforme	VINE	B3	1	0.3
Ulmus crassifolia	TREE	B3	1	0.3
Vaccinium darrowii	SHRU	B3	1	0.3
Vaccinium elliottii	SHRU	B3	2	0.7
Verbena basiliensis	FODI	В3	1	0.3
Vitis rotundifolia	VINE	В3	3	1.3
Yucca filamentosa	FODI	B3	3	1.8
SECTION C				
Aesculus sylvatica	TREE	C3	1	0.3
Aralia spinosa	SHRU	C3	1	0.3
Asclepias amplexicaulis	FODI	C3	1	0.3
Asclepias tuberosa	FODI	C3	1	0.3
Aster paternus	FODI	C3	1	0.8
Astragalus villosus	FODI	C3	1	0.7
Baccharis halimifolia	SHRU	C3	1	0.3
Campanula aparinoides	FODI	C3	1	0.7
Carya pallida	TREE	C3	1	0.7
Cassia fasciculata	FODI	C3	1	0.3
Ceanothus americanus	SHRU	C3	2	0.7
Clematis reticulata	VINE	C3	1	0.7
Clethra alnifolia	SHRU	C3	2	0.3
Coreopsis major	FODI	C3	3	1.8
Cyrilla racemiflora	SHRU	C3	1	0.3
Danthonia sericea	GRPO	C3	2	0.3
		C3	23	
Diospyros virginiana	TREE	C3	3	2.2
Echinocystis lobata	FODI			1.3
Eupatorium compositifolium	FODI	C3	3	2
Gnaphalium obtusifolium	FODI	C3	2	0.7
Hypericum hypericoides	SHRU	C3	1	0.7
Ilex glabra	SHRU	C3	2	1
Ipomoea pandurata	VINE	C3	1	0.8
Lespedeza hirta	FODI	C3	1	0.3
Lespedeza intermedia	FODI	C3	1	0.3
Lespedeza virginica	FODI	C3	2	0.7
Liquidambar styraciflua	TREE	C3	3	2.3
Malus angustifolia	TREE	C3	1	0.7
Myrica cerifera	SHRU	C3	1	0.3

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Oenothera laciniata	FODI	C3	1	0.3
Panicum laxiflorum	GRPO	C3	1	0.5
Panicum ravenelii	GRPO	C3	1	0.3
Passiflora incarnata	VINE	C3	1	0.3
Polygala nana	FODI	C3	1	0.3
Polygala polygama	FODI	C3	2	1
Prunus serotina	TREE	C3	1	0.3
Pteridium aquilinum	FERN	C3	3	1.2
Quercus coccinea	TREE	C3	2	1
Quercus falcata	TREE	C3	3	3.6 +
Quercus margaretta	TREE	C3	1	0.8
Quercus marilandia	TREE	C3	2	1.6 +
Quercus nigra	TREE	C3	1	1.5 +
Quercus pumila	TREE	C3	1	0.8
Rhododendron canescens	SHRU	C3	1	0.5
Rhus copallina	SHRU	C3	3	1.7
Rosa carolina	BRAM	C3	1	0.3
Rosa setigera	BRAM	C3	2	1.3
Rubus cuneifolius	BRAM	C3	2	2
Rubus flagellaris	BRAM	C3	3	2.2
Sassafras albidum	TREE	C3	2	1
Silphium compositum	FODI	C3	2	1.5
Silphium dentatum	FODI	C3	1	0.5
Smilax bona-nox	VINE	C3	2	2.2 +
Smilax glauca	VINE	C3	3	1.5
Smilax rotundifolia	VINE	C3	2	1.2
Tetragonotheca helianthoides	FODI	C3	2	0.8
Vaccinium darrowii	SHRU	C3	2	0.7
Vaccinium elliottii	SHRU	C3	2	1.3
Vaccinium stamineum	SHRU	C3	1	0.3
Vaccinium vacillans	SHRU	C3	3	1.5
Viburum rufidulum	SHRU	C3	1	0.3
Vitis rotundifolia	VINE	C3	1	0.5
Yucca filamentosa	FODI	C3	2	1.2
SECTION D				
Ambrosia artemisiifolia	FODI	D3	1	0.3
Apocynum cannabinum	FODI	D3	1	0.7
Arenaria stricta (v)	FODI	D3	1	0.3
Asimina parviflora	TREE	D3	1	0.3
Carya pallida	TREE	D3	3	1.3
Coreopsis major	FODI	D3	2	1.3 +
Crataegus flava	TREE	D3	2	1
Danthonia sericea	GRPO	D3	2	1.3
Desmodium viridiflorum	FODI	D3	1	0.3
Diospyros virginiana	TREE	D3	3	2.2
Echinocystis lobata	FODI	D3	3	1.7
Eragrostis spectabilis	GRPO	D3	1	0.8
Erigeron strigosus	FODI	D3	2	1
Eupatorium compositifolium	FODI	D3	3	2.3
Gnaphalium obtusifolium	FODI	D3	2	1
Helianthemum rosmarinifolium	FODI	D3	1	1.2
Hypericum hypericoides	SHRU	D3	2	1
Ipomoea pandurata	VINE	D3 D3	1	2.2 + 1 +
Lespedeza hirta	FODI FODI	D3 D3	1 2	0.7
Lespedeza virginica Liquidambar styraciflua	TREE	D3 D3	2	0.7 0.7
Malus angustifolia	TREE	D3	1	0.7
Nyssa sylvatica	TREE	D3	3	2.2
1 y 55a 5 y 1 v anoa	TREE		5	2.2

Panicum laxiflorum	GRPO	D3	1	1 +
Passiflora incarnata	VINE	D3	2	1
Pinus glabra	TREE	D3	1	0.3
Prunus angustifolia	TREE	D3	1	0.7
Pteridium aquilinum	FERN	D3	1	0.3
Quercus falcata	TREE	D3	3	1.2
Quercus margaretta	TREE	D3	3	1.5
Quercus marilandica	TREE	D3	3	1.2
Quercus pumila	TREE	D3	1	0.3
Rhus copallina	SHRU	D3	3	2.7
Rhus glabra	SHRU	D3	2	1
Rubus cuneifolius	BRAM	D3	3	3
Rubus flagellaris	BRAM	D3	2	1.3
Sassafras albidum	TREE	D3	2	1.3
Silphium compositum	FODI	D3	2	1
Smilax bona-nox	VINE	D3	2	1
Smilax glauca	VINE	D3	1	0.3
Smilax rotundifolia	VINE	D3	2	1
Specularia perfoliata	FODI	D3	1	0.7
Triplasis americana	GRPO	D3	1	0.5
Vaccinium vacillans	SHRU	D3	3	1.3
Vitis rotundifolia	VINE	D3	2	0.7
Yucca filamentosa	FODI	D3	3	2.3
SECTION E				
Apocynum cannabinum	FODI	E2	1	1
Arenaria stricta (v)	FODI	E2	2	1.5
Callicarpa americana	FODI	E2	1	0.3
Campanula aparinoides	FODI	E2	1	0.5
Carya pallida	TREE	E2 E2	2	2
Coreopsis major	FODI	E2 E2	1	0.8
Cornus florida	SHRU	E2	1	0.5
Danthonia sericea	GRPO	E2	2	2
Desmodium viridiflorum	FODI	E2	2	1
Diospyros virginiana	TREE	E2	2	2.5
Echinocystis lobata	FODI	E2	2	1.3
Eragrostis spectabilis	GRPO	E2	1	1 +
Erigeron strigosus	FODI	E2	2	2.3
Eupatorium compositifolium	FODI	E2	1	2.8 +
Gnaphalium obtusifolium	FODI	E2	1	1
Houstonia longifolia	FODI	E2	1	0.5
Hypericum hypericoides	SHRU	E2	2	1
Ipomoea pandurata	VINE	E2	1	0.8
Lespedeza hirta	FODI	E2	2	1.8
Lespedeza virginica	FODI	E2	1	0.5
Panicum laxiflorum	GRPO	E2	2	1
Passiflora incarnata	VINE	E2	1	1.5
Phytolacca americana	FODI	E2	1	0.5
Pinus glabra	TREE	E2	1	0.5
Polygala polygama	FODI	E2	1	0.5
Quercus falcata	TREE	E2	1	0.5
Quercus margaretta	TREE	E2	1	0.5
Quercus marilandica	TREE	E2	1	1
Quercus nigra	TREE	E2	1	0.5
Quercus pumila	TREE	E2	2	2
Rhus copallina	SHRU	E2	2	3
Rhus glabra	SHRU	E2	1	1
Rosa setigera	BRAM	E2	1	0.5
Rubus cuneifolius	BRAM	E2	2	3

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Rubus flagellaris	BRAM	E2	1	1.5
Rumex acetosella	FODI	E2	1	0.5
Sassafras albidum	TREE	E2	2	2.3
Silphium compositum	FODI	E2	1	0.5
Smilax bona-nox	VINE	E2	2	2.8 +
		E2 E2	1	
Smilax glauca	VINE		-	0.5
Vaccinium elliotii	SHRU	E2	1	0.5
Vaccinium vacillans	SHRU	E2	1	1
Yucca filamentosa	FODI	E2	2	2.3
SECTION F				
Arenaria stricta (v)	FODI	F2	1	1
Asclepias amplexicaulis	FODI	F2	1	0.5
	FODI	F2	1	0.5
Asclepias tuberosa			2	$\frac{0.8}{2}$ +
Carya pallida	TREE	F2		
Ceanothus americanus	SHRU	F2	1	0.5
Clematis crispa	VINE	F2	1	0.5
Clematis reticulata	VINE	F2	1	1
Coreopsis major	FODI	F2	2	2
Cornus florida	SHRU	F2	1	0.5
Crataegus flava	TREE	F2	2	2.3
Danthonia sericea	GRPO	F2	2	2.5
Desmodium viridiflorum	FODI	F2	2	1.5
Diospyros virginiana	TREE	F2	2	2.5
Echinocystis lobata	FODI	F2	2	2.3
Erigeron strigosus	FODI	F2	2	1.5
			2	
Eupatorium compositifolium	FODI	F2		2.5
Festuca octoflora	GRPO	F2	1	1
Hypericum hypericoides	SHRU	F2	2	1.8
Ilex glabra	SHRU	F2	1	0.5
Ipomoea pandurata	VINE	F2	2	1.8
Juncus biflorus	GRJU	F2	2	1.8
Krigia virginica	FODI	F2	1	0.5
Lespedeza hirta	FODI	F2	2	2
Lespedeza intermedia	FODI	F2	1	1
Lespedeza virginica	FODI	F2	1	1
Lithospermum caroliniense	FODI	F2	1	0.5
Nyssa sylvatica	TREE	F2	1	0.5
Oenothera laciniata	FODI	F2	1	1
Oxalis stricta	FODI	F2	1	1
Panicum laxiflorum	GRPO	F2 F2	1	1
		F2 F2	_	-
Panicum ravenelii	GRPO		1	0.8
Phlox nivalis	FODI	F2	1	0.5
Plantago aristata	FODI	F2	2	2 +
Prunus serotina	TREE	F2	1	1
Pteridium aquilinum	FERN	F2	1	1.3
Quercus coccinea	TREE	F2	2	1.5
Quercus falcata	TREE	F2	2	3 +
Quercus marilandica	TREE	F2	2	2.8
Quercus nigra	TREE	F2	1	2 +
Quercus pumila	TREE	F2	2	2
Rhus copallina	SHRU	F2	2	3.5
Rhus glabra	SHRU	F2	1	0.5
Rosa setigera	BRAM	F2 F2	2	1.3
Rubus cuneifolius		F2 F2	2	
	BRAM			2.8
Rubus flagellaris	BRAM	F2	1	0.5
Rumex acetosella	FODI	F2	2	1.5
Sassafras albidum	TREE	F2	2	2.8
Schrankia microphylla	BRAM	F2	2	2

Silphium compositum	FODI	F2	1	1
Smilax bona-nox	VINE	F2	2	2
Smilax glauca	VINE	F2	1	0.5
Smilax rotundifolia	VINE	F2	2	1
Specularia perfoliata	FODI	F2	2	1
Tradescantia virginiana	FOMO	F2	1	0.8
Vaccinium darrowii	SHRU	F2	2	1.5
Vaccinium elliottii	SHRU	F2	2	1.8
Vaccinium stamineum	SHRU	F2	1	1
Vaccinium vacillans	SHRU	F2	2	1.5
Vitis cinerea	VINE	F2	1	0.5
Wisteria frutescens	VINE	F2	1	0.8
Yucca filamentosa	FODI	F2	1	1

a. See Appendix A.1 for explanation of growth form codes.



## Appendix B.1 Distribution Patterns of Planted Species across the Six Sections of the Site

### DISTRIBUTION PATTERNS OF THE PLANTED SPECIES AMONG THE SIX SECTIONS OF THE SITE INDICATED BY P (PRESENT) OR U (UNOBSERVED). INFORMATION BASED ON JULY 1993 AND MAY 1994 PLANT SURVEYS. MCKENNA HILL DROP ZONE, FORT BENNING MILITARY RESERVATION, GEORGIA.

LATIN NAME	GROWTH			SECTIO	ON		
	FORM,a	А	В	С	D	Е	F
Cynodon dactylon	GRPO	р	Р	U	U	U	U
Eragrostis curvula	GRPO	P	P	Ŭ	Ŭ	Ŭ	U
Lespedeza cuneata	FODI	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	U
Panicum ramosum	GRPO	Р	U	U	U	U	U
Paspalum notatum	GRPO	Р	Р	U	Р	Р	U
Pinus palustris	TREE	U	U	U	Р	Р	Р
Pinus taeda	TREE	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Secale cereale	GRPO	U	Р	Р	Р	Р	U

a. See Appendix A.1 for explanation of growth forms.



## Appendix B.2 Abundance Values of Planted Species across the Six Sections of the Site

#### AVERAGE SUBJECTIVE ABUNDANCE VALUES FOR THE PLANTED SPECIES AMONG THE SIX SECTION OF THE SITE. INFORMATION BASED ON MAY, 1994 SURVEYS. MCKENNA HILL DROP ZONE, FORT BENNING MILITARY RESERVATION, GEORGIA.

 SA = SECTION LETTER AND NUMBER OF AREAS IN SECTION SURVEYED FOR TAXON ABUNDANCE
 NA = NUMBER OF AREAS OF THE SECTION IN WHICH THE TAXON OCCURRED

### ASAV = AVERAGE SUBJECTIVE ABUNDANCE VALUE.

LATIN NAME	GROWTH FORM,a	SA	NA	ASAV
SECTION A				
Lespedeza cuneata	FODI	A4	3	1.5
Paspalum notatum	GRPO	A4	1	3.9
Pinus taeda	TREE	A4	4	2
SECTION B				
Lespedeza cuneata	FODI	B3	1	0.7
Paspalum notatum	GRPO	B3	2	3.5
Pinus taeda	TREE	B3	3	1.3
Secale cereale	GRPO	B3	1	0.2
SECTION C				
Lespedeza cuneata	FODI	C3	1	0.3
Pinus taeda	TREE	C3	3	1.5
Secale cereale	GRPO	C3	1	0.8
SECTION D				
Lespedeza cuneata	FODI	D3	1	0.3
Paspalum notatum	GRPO	D3	1	1.3
Pinus palustris	TREE	D3	1	1.2
Pinus taeda	TREE	D3	3	2.8
Secale cereale	GRPO	D3	1	1.5
SECTION E				
Lespedeza cuneata	FODI	E2	1	0.5
Paspalum notatum	GRPO	E2	1	0.5
Pinus palustris	TREE	E2	1	1
Pinus taeda	TREE	E2	2	4
Secale cereale	GRPO	E2	2	2.3
SECTION F				
Pinus palustris	TREE	F2	2	4
Pinus taeda	TREE	F2	2 2	1.3

a. See Appendix A.1 for explanation of growth forms.



FORT BENNING PLANT LIST, FORT BENNING MILITARY RESERVATION, GEORGIA.

NOTE: THIS LIST OF PLANT SPECIES WAS ADAPTED FROM "SPECIES LIST FOR FORT BENNING, DECEMBER 1992" PROVIDED THROUGH THE COURTESY OF ALLEN PURSELL (1993).

ITEM NO. = NUMBER ASSIGNED (1,2,3, ETC.) TO EACH SPECIES IN THE ORDER IN WHICH IT APPEARED IN THE ORIGINAL LIST.

COLL. NO. = COLLECTION NUMBER(S) FOR EACH SPECIES ON THE ORIGINAL LIST. RAB = PAGE NUMBER IN RADFORD ET AL., 1968.

AN/RAB = ANNOTATIONS WITH RESPECT TO RAB:

n = genus not in RAB

sn = species not in RAB

- sy = synonym in RAB
- ok = same species as in RAB

AN/SI = ANNOTATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE ARGONNE PLANT LIST (APPENDIX A.1):

- S = species also reported in present study
- G = genus reported for present study

n = neither genus nor species reported in the present study

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18 135 847 ok S Apocynum cannabinum Apo	ocynaceae
24 197 760 ok n Aralia spinosa Aral	liaceae
91 701 441 ok G Arenaria caroliniana Cary	yophyllaceae
92 408 443 ok G Arenaria lanuginosa Cary	yophyllaceae
22 517 259 ok n Arisaema triphyllum Arad	ceae
304 689 98 ok n Aristida tuberculosa Poa	ceae
396 208 558 sy n Aronia arbutifolia Ros	aceae
-	ceae
25 15 852 ok S Asclepias amplexicaulis Asc	lepiadaceae
26 20 850 ok S Asclepias tuberosa Asc	lepiadaceae

27	469	850	ok	n	Asclepias verticillata
29	371	30	ok	n	Asplenium platyneuron
31	359	1082	ok	n	Aster lateriflorus
32	330/	1073	ok	S	Aster paternus
	373				
422	749	957	ok	n	Aureolaria virginica
306	317	140	ok	n	Axonopus affinis
175	387	582	ok	n	Baptisia alba
176	331	581	ok	n	Baptisia lanceolata
435	188	394	ok	n	Boehmeria cylindrica
79	232	452	ok	n	Brasenia schreberi
307	75	75	ok	n	Bromus commutatus
308	421	75	ok	n	Bromus japonicus
114	695	191	ok	n	Bulbostylis barbata
115	708	190	ok	n	Bulbostylis capillaris
437	376	894	ok	S	Callicarpa americana
81	746	1003	ok	G	Campanula americana
75	283	963	ok	S	Campsis radicans
86	475	317	ok	n	Canna X generalis
32	750	1041	ok	G	Carduus lanceolatus
116	352	228	ok	n	Carex albolutescens
117	463	227	ok	n	Carex atlantica
118	296	246	ok	n	Carex complanata
119	619	248	ok	n	Carex crinita
120	163B	244	ok	n	Carex debilis
121	628	251	ok	n	Carex folliculata
122	652	248	ok	n	Carex glaucescens
123	627	254	ok	n	Carex intumescens
124	94	253	ok	n	Carex lurida
125	275b	234	ok	n	Carex tenax
231	21	365	ok	G	Carya tomentosa
177	488	577	ok	S	Cassia fasciculata
178	786	576	ok	n	Cassia marilandica
179	595	576	ok	n	Cassia obtusifolia
394	309/	693	ok	S	Ceanothus americanus
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309	448	130	ok	n	Cenchrus incertus
180	267	635	ok	n	Centrosema virginianum
407	401	979 574	ok	n	Cephalanthus occidentalis
181 310	550	574	ok	n	Cercis canadensis
310	287 524		gn	n	Chasmanthium latifolium Chasmanthium sessiliflorum
153	324 395	795	gn	n	Chimaphila maculata
312	788	115	ok ok	n	Cinna arundinacea
393	394	459	ok	n G	Clematis reticulata
98	372	792	ok	S	Clethra alnifolia
182	302	636	ok	n	Clitoria mariana
164	55	661	ok	n	Cnidoscolus stimulosus
99	14	269	ok	n	Commelina erecta
100	305	269	ok	n	Commelina erecta
101	782	269	ok	n	Commelina virginica
34	496	1127	ok	n	Coreopsis grandiflora
35	726	1124	ok	S	Coreopsis major
109	190	792	ok	n	Cornus amomum
110	50	790	ok	S	Cornus florida
397	206	560	ok	Ğ	Crataegus flava
398	112	562	ok	Ğ	Crataegus spathulata
399	43	560	ok	n	Crataegus uniflora
183	4	585	sy	n	Crotalaria rotundifolia
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165	715	662	ok	n	Croton glandulosus	
257	772	741	ok	n	Cuphea carthagensis	
103	252	860	ok	n	Cuscuta campestris	
313	263	116	ok	S	Cynodon dactylon	
126	327	180	ok	n	Cyperus filiculmis	
127	441	176	ok	n	Cyperus haspan	
128	510	176	ok	n	Cyperus iria	
129	533A	172	ok	n	Cyperus odoratus	
130	512	180	ok	n	Cyperus ovularis	
131	444	178	ok	n	Cyperus pseudovegetus	
132	681	178	ok	n	Cyperus retrofractus	
133	679	180	ok	n	Cyperus retrorsus	
134	451	170	ok	n	Cyperus tenuifolius	
148	135	678	ok	S	Cyrilla racemiflora	
314	79	94	ok	S	Danthonia sericea	
11	84	771	ok	n	Daucus pusillus	
184	246	609	ok	G	Desmodium ciliare	
185	218	612	ok	G	Desmodium fernaldii	
186	417	611	ok	G	Desmodium laevigatum	
187	531	605	ok	G	Desmodium nudiflorum	
188	554	608	ok	G	Desmodium sessilifolium	
189	88	608	ok	G	Desmodium tenuifolium	
315	728	151	sy	n	Dichanthelium aciculare	
316	168	154	sy	S	Dichanthelium acuminatum	
317	690	159	sy	n	Dichanthelium boscii	
318	158	155	sy	n	Dichanthelium dichotomum	
319	61	151	sy	S	Dichanthelium laxiflorum	
320	27	154	sy	n	Dichanthelium oligosanthes	
321	146	153	sy	S	Dichanthelium ravenellii	
322	193	158	sy	n	Dichanthelium scabriusculum	
323	31/	158	sy	n	Dichanthelium sphaerocarpon	
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324	528	158	sy	n	Dichanthelium sphaerocarpon	
325	260	138	ok	G	Digitaria sanguinalis	
408	358	979	ok	n	Diodia teres	
409	12B	979	ok	n	Diodia virginiana	
149	157	318	ok	n	Dioscorea villosa	
152	60	826	ok	S	Diospyros virginiana	
151	160	517	ok	n	Drosera rotundifolia	
135	654B	180	ok	n	Dulichium arundinaceum	
326	790	132	ok	n	Echinochloa crusgalli	
137	320	184	ok	n	Eleocharis obtusa	
136	378	188	ok	n	Eleocharis montevidensis	
138	159	188	ok	n	Eleocharis tuberculosa	
36	603	1048	ok	n	Elephantopus tomentosus	
327	643	116	ok	n	Eleusine indica	
328	568	89 70	ok	n	Elymus virginicus	
329	291	70 70	ok	S	Eragrostis curvula	
330	787	70	ok	n	Eragrostis pilosa	
331	646	71	ok	n	Eragrostis refracta	
332	100	166	ok ok	n	Eremochloa ophiuroides	
333	507	161	ok	n	Erianthus contortus	
37	613	1070	ok	n	Erigeron canadensis	
38	77 651	1068	ok	S	Erigeron strigosus	
381	651 485	402	ok	n	Eriogonum tomentosum	
12	485	768	ok	n	Eryngium prostratum	
13	34	768	ok ok	S G	Eryngium Yuccifolium	
39 40	729	1056	ok ok	G G	Eupatorium album	
40	473A	1061	ok	U	Eupatorium coelestinum	

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41	611	1058	ok	G	Eupatorium hyssopifolium	A
166	107/	672	ok	S	Euphorbia corollata	Εı
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167	478	670	ok	G	Euphorbia dentata	Eı
168	719	674	ok	S	Euphorbia maculata	Eu
211 334	692 420	370 84	ok ok	n G	Fagus grandifolia	Fa
335	420 294	84 84	ok ok		Festuca elatior	Po
400	338	533	ok	n n	Festuca paradoxa Fragaria vesca	Po Re
139	501	193	ok	n	Fimbristylis miliacea	C
6	677	427	ok	G	Froelichia gracilis	A
140	686	201	ok	n	Fuirena squarrosa	C
42	683	1132	ok	n	Gaillardia aestivalis	A
410	392	986	ok	n	Galium pilosum	R
411	217	986	ok	n	Galium pilosum	R
412	136	987	ok	n	Galium tinctorium	R
273	732	754	ok	n	Gaura filipes	O
218	337	651	ok	n	Geranium carolinianum	G
229	110	327	ok	n	Gladiolus X gandavensis	Ir
43	612	1066	ok	S	Gnaphalium obtusifolium	A
44	397	1066	ok	G	Gnaphalium purpureum	A
282	618	339	ok	n	Habenaria ciliaris	O
283	618	340	ok	n	Habenaria cristata	O
284	625	337	ok	n	Habenaria flava	0
285	114	335	ok	n	Habenaria lacera	O
434	538	827	ok	n	Halesia diptera	St
413	381	981	sn	n	Hedyotis nigricans	R
414	297	981	sn	n	Hedyotis purpurea	R
45	379	1133	ok	S	Helenium amarum	A
46	556	1132	ok	G	Helenium flexuosum	A
97 47	733	720	ok	S	Helianthemum rosmarinifolium	Ci
47 48	470 724	1115 1115	ok ok	G G	Helianthus hirsutus	A: A:
48 49	724	1115		G	Helianthus microcephalus Helianthus resinosus	A
50	203	1110	sy ok	n	Heliopsis helianthoides	A
50 76	780	879	ok	n	Heliotropium indicum	B
51	607	1099	ok	G	Heterotheca graminifolia	A
52	756	1101	ok	G	Heterotheca subaxillaris	A
263	617	706	ok	n	Hibiscus aculeatus	M
336	166	87	ok	n	Hordeum pusillum	Po
14	238	765	ok	n	Hydrocotyle verticillata	A
222	438	715	ok	G	Hypericum gentianoides	H
223	439	715	ok	G	Hypericum gymnanthum	H
224	78	710	ok	S	Hypericum hypericoides	H
225	584	715	ok	G	Hypericum mutilum	H
226	487	712	ok	G	Hypericum prolificum	H
227	325	716	ok	G	Hypericum punctatum	H
228	615	711	ok	G	Hypericum stans	H
53	211	1030	ok	n	Hypochoeris glabra	A
150	687	323	ok	n	Hypoxis sessilis	D
241	781	898	sn	n	Hyptis mutabilis	La
20	30A	684	ok	S	Ilex glabra	A
21	17	681 (24	ok	G	Ilex opaca	A
190	409	624	sn	n C	Indigofera suffruticosae	Fa
104	344	866	ok ok	G	Ipomoea coccinea	C
105 106	220 341	868 866	ok ok	S G	Ipomoea pandurata	C
106	462	866 868	ок ok	G	Ipomoea purpurea Ipomoea trichocarpa	Co Co
420	402 319	519	ok ok	n	Itea virginica	Sa
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108	583	863	ok	n	Jacquemontia tamnifolia
232	164/	280	ok	G	Juncus acuminatus
	169				
233	459	276	ok	S	Juncus biflorus
234	589	275	ok	G	Juncus bufonius
235	125	275	ok	G	Juncus coriaceus
236	150	280	ok	S	Juncus debilis
237	127	280	ok	G	Juncus elliottii
238	63	278	ok	G	Juncus scirpoides
239	509	275	ok	G	Juncus tenuis
240	653	276	ok	G	Juncus trigonocarpus
113	557	43	ok	n	Juniperus virginiana
154	374	803	ok	n	Kalmia latifolia
54	41	1031	sn	G	Krigia occidentalis
162	128	267	ok	n	Lachnocaulon anceps
55	578	1022	ok	n	Lactuca canadensis
56	265	1022	ok	n	Lactuca graminifolia
258	702	102	gn	n	Lagerstroemia indica
337	492	123	ok	n	Leersia virginica
77	85	494	ok	n	Lepidium virginicum
338	261	140	ok	n	Leptoloma cognatum
191	328	616	ok	S	Lespedeza bicolor
192	95 2(7)	617	ok	S	Lespedeza cuneata
193	367/	615	ok	G	Lespedeza procumbens
194	482 177	616	ok	G	Lasnadaza ranang
194	447	808	ok	n	Lespedeza repens Leucothoe axillaris
57	706	1051	ok	n	Liatris elegans
58	525	1051	ok	n	Liatris squarrosa
272	449	832	ok	n	Ligustrum sinense
251	626	311	ok	n	Lilium michauxii
423	505	942	ok	n	Lindernia anagallidea
254	71	645	ok	G	Linum striatum
220	276	529	ok	Š	Liquidambar styraciflua
260	172	473	ok	n	Liriodendron tulipifera
82	669	1007	ok	n	Lobelia puberula
339	104	85	ok	S	Lolium multiflorum
88	503	990	ok	G	Lonicera japonica
274	471	747	ok	n	Ludwigia alternifolia
275	553	745	ok	n	Ludwigia decurrens
276	586	745	ok	n	Ludwigia leptocarpa
277	769	747	ok	n	Ludwigia linearis
278	199	745	ok	n	Ludwigia virgata
421	775	14	ok	n	Lygodium japonicum
156	37	806	ok	n	Lyonia lucida
391	239	821	ok	n	Lysimachia lanceolata
259	576	740	ok	n	Lythrum lineare
261	450	473	ok	n	Magnolia grandiflora
262	46	473	ok	n	Magnolia virginiana
286	416	351	ok	n	Malaxis unifolia
266	456	262	ok	n	Mayaca fluviatilis
424	774	938	ok	n	Mecardonia acuminata
252	622	305	ok	n	Melanthium hybridum
340	490	79	ok	n	Melica mutica
195	577	593	ok	n	Melilotus alba
112	747	1001	ok	n	Melothria pendula
425	175	943	ok	n	Micranthemum umbrosum
59	808	1061	ok	n	Mikania scandens
415	697	981	ok	n	Mitchella repens

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242	753	914	ok	n	Monarda punctata
268	47 <b>-</b> B	362	ok	S	Myrica cerifera
269	30B	362	ok	G	Myrica heterophylla
219	225	758	sn	n	Myriophyllum aquaticum
270	231	451	ok	n	Nelumbo lutea
271	154	789	ok	S	Nyssa sylvatica
279	540	750	ok	G	Oenothera biennis
280	435	752	ok	G	Oenothera fruticosa
281	80	750	ok	S	Oenothera laciniata
28	237	28	ok	n	Onoclea sensibilis
80	1	735	ok	S	Opuntia compressa
288	126	14	ok	n	Osmunda regalis
341	751	145	ok	G	Panicum amarum
342	404B	144	ok	G	Panicum anceps
343 344	176	158 145	ok ok	G G	Panicum scoparium
344 345	789 768	143	ok ok	G	Panicum stipitatum Panicum verrucosum
343 346	708	140	ok ok	G	
93	793 597	435	ok ok	n	Panicum virgatum Paronychia herniarioides
442	210	694	ok	n	Parthenocissus quinquefolia
347	758	134	ok	G	Paspalum boscianum
348	316	134	sy	G	Paspalum ciliatifolium
349	614	136	sy	G	Paspalum longipilum
350	802	136	ok	G	Paspalum praecox
351	391	134	ok	S	Paspalum urvillei
289	245	734	ok	Š	Passiflora incarnata
23	191	257	ok	n	Peltandra virginica
426	53	947	ok	n	Penstemon australis
111	745	516	ok	n	Penthorum sedoides
369	119	872	ok	G	Phlox carolina
370	722	869	ok	S	Phlox nivalis
371	118	870	ok	G	Phlox pilosa
372	117	870	ok	n	Phlox subulata
352	287	60	ok	n	Phyllostachys aurea
430	716	929	ok	n	Physalis angulata
431	249	929	ok	n	Physalis pubescens
290	285	429	ok	S	Phytolacca americana
291	571	38	ok	G	Pinus echinata
292	805	38	ok	S	Pinus glabra
293	599	36	ok	S	Pinus palustris
294	600	36	ok	S	Pinus taeda
295	318	977	ok	S	Plantago aristata
296	111	977	ok	G	Plantago hookeriana
297	103	975 074	ok	G G	Plantago lanceolata
298 299	106 284	974 531	sn ok	S	Plantago wrightiana Platanus occidentalis
373	284 364	658	ok	G	Polygala curtissii
373	429	656	ok	G	Polygala grandiflora
375	434	658	ok	G	Polygala incarnata
376	192	658	ok	G	Polygala lutea
377	192	657	ok	G	Polygala mariana
378	122	660	ok	S	Polygala nana
379	2	656	ok	S	Polygala polygama
380	516	658	ok	Ğ	Polygala verticillata
382	703	414	sn	n	Polygonella fimbriata
383	178	412	ok	n	Polygonum hydropiperoides
384	299	412	ok	n	Polygonum hydropiperoides
385	170	410	ok	n	Polygonum persicaria
386	585	412	ok	n	Polygonum setaceum

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387	779	406	sn	n	Polygonum virginianum
389	696	33	ok	n	Polypodium polypodioides
255	370	835	ok	n	Polypremum procumbens
390	223	46	ok	n	Potamogeton diversifolius
243	526	905	ok	n	Prunella vulgaris
401	98	566	ok	S	Prunus angustifolia
402	212	569	ok	S	Prunus serotina
403	207	566	ok	G	Prunus umbellata
196	241	600	ok	n	Psoralea psoralioides
392	23	18	ok	S	Pteridium aquilinum
15	460	784	ok	n	Ptilimnium capillaceum
197	806	641	ok	n	Pueraria lobata
244	630	919	ok	n	Pycnanthemum incanum
60	472B/	1032	ok	S	Pyrrhopappus carolinianus
00	543	1002	011	5	i ynnopuppus varennanus
212	675	380	ok	G	Quercus laevis
212	280	381	ok	S	Quercus marilandica
213	67	382	ok	S	Quercus nigra
214	251	385	ok	G	Quercus phellos
213	555	383	ok	G	
				-	Quercus shumardii
267	461	743	ok	n	Rhexia mariana
7	179	678	ok	S	Rhus copallina
8	89	676	ok	G	Rhus toxicodendron
198	8	636	ok	G	Rhynchosia reniformis
199	355	638	ok	G	Rhynchosia tomentosa
141	764	204	ok	n	Rhynchospora corniculata
142	594	208	ok	n	Rhynchospora glomerata
143	194	212	ok	n	Rhynchospora inexpansa
416	455	981	ok	n	Richardia brasiliensis
446	546	981	ok	n	Richardia scabra
200	109	621	ok	G	Robinia pseudoacacia
404	82	551	ok	G	Rosa bracteata
405	113	552	ok	S	Rosa carolina
406	108	540	ok	G	Rubus betulifolius
61	624	1108	ok	n	Rudbeckia fulgida
62	365	1109	ok	n	Rudbeckia hirta
1	301	973	ok	n	Ruellia caroliniensis
2	519	972	ok	n	Ruellia humilis
388	354	405	ok	G	Rumex hastatulus
217	564	838	ok	n	Sabatia angularis
353	598	141	ok	n	Sacciolepis striata
4	402	54	ok	n	Sagittaria latifolia
418	250	358	ok	S	Salix nigra
89	369	996	ok	n	Sambucus canadensis
16	536	767	ok	n	Sanicula canadensis
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248	458	478	ok		Sassafras albidum
419	121	356	ok	n	Saururus cernuus
201	766	574	ok	S	Schrankia microphylla
144	590/	198	ok	n	Scirpus cyperinus
	761				
145	58	216	ok	n	Scleria ciliata
146	521	215	ok	n	Scleria oligantha
147	730	215	ok	n	Scleria triglomerata
245	146	902	ok	n	Scutellaria elliptica
169	311	667	sy	n	Sebastiana fruticosa
354	333	86	ok	S	Secale cereale
429	704	7	ok	n	Selaginella arenicola
63	101	1037	sy	S	Senecio anonymus
202	688	619	sn	n	Sesbania vesicaria

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355	549	126	ok	n	Setaria geniculata
356	403	126	ok	n	Setaria glauca
427	771	956	ok	n	Seymeria pectinata
264	566	703	ok	n	Sida elliottii
265	498	702	ok	n	Sida rhombifolia
94	24	448	ok	G	Silene antirrhina
95	560	447	ok	G	Silene stellata
64	727	1105	ok	G	Silphium asteriscus
65	57/	1103	ok	S	Silphium compositum
	676				
66	362	1103	ok	S	Silphium dentatum
230	97	326	sy	n	Sisyrinchium atlanticum
253	45	287	ok	G	Smilax smallii
432	324	932	ok	S	Solanum carolinense
67	777	1091	ok	n	Solidago juncea
68	124	1092	ok	n	Solidago nemoralis
69	545	1092	ok	n	Solidago odora
70	579	1023	ok	n	Sonchus asper
357	794	165	ok	n	Sorghastrum nutans
358	513	165	ok	n	Sorghum halepense
359	638	165	ok	n	Sorghum vulgare
433	446	44	ok	n	Sparganium americanum
83	504	1002	ok	S	Specularia biflora
84	9	1002	ok	S	Specularia perfoliata
360	572	93	ok	n	Sphenopholis filiformis
361	293	93	ok	n	Sphenopholis nitida
256	759	833	ok	S	Spigelia marilandica
287	396	349	ok	n	Spiranthes praecox
362	405	105	ok	n	Sporobolus poiretii
170	40	667	ok	S	Stillingia sylvatica
363	563	97	ok	n	Stipa avenacea
96	13	436	ok	n	Stipulicida setacea
203	522	640	ok	n	Strophostyles umbellata
204	132	604	ok	S	Stylosanthes biflora
205	216	626	ok	G	Tephrosia spicata
206	69	624	ok	S	Tephrosia virginiana
71	214	1106	ok	n	Tetragonotheca helianthoides
246	529	898	ok	n	Teucrium canadense
19	289	845	ok	S	Trachelospermum difforme
102	532	271	ok	G	Tradescantia rosea
171	466	665	ok	n	Tragia urens
17	534	773	ok	n	Trepocarpus aethusae
247	116A	898	ok	n	Trichostema dichotomum
364	765	64	ok	n	Tridens flavus
207	313	590	ok	n	Trifolium incarnatum
208	304	592	ok	n	Trifolium reflexum
365	295	166	ok	n	Tripsacum dactyloides
366	741	66	ok	n	Uniola latifolia
367	476	66	ok	n	Uniola sessiliflora
249	413	969	ok	n	Utricularia cornuta
157	141	814	ok	S	Vaccinium arboreum
158	16	816	ok	G	Vaccinium corymbosum
159	18	814	ok	S	Vaccinium elliottii
160	26	816	ok	G	Vaccinium myrsinites
161	39	814	ok	S	Vaccinium stamineum
436	335	997	ok	n	Valerianella radiata
428	389	945	ok	n	Verbascum thapsus
438	247	888	ok	G	Verbena bonariensis
439	11	890	ok	G	Verbena carnea

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440	383	891	ok	G	Verbena rigida	Verbenace
441	514	889	ok	n	Verbena urticifolia	Verbenace
72	752	1118	ok	n	Verbesina virginica	Asteraceae
73	520	1047	ok	S	Vernonia angustifolia	Asteraceae
90	464	993	ok	G	Viburnum nudum	Caprifolia
443	96	695	ok	S	Vitis rotundifolia	Vitaceae
368	187	82	sy	n	Vulpia octoflora	Poaceae
85	426	1004	ok	n	Wahlenbergia marginata	Campanula
78	685	511	ok	n	Warea cuneifolia	Brassicace
209	230	620	ok	G	Wisteria sinensis	Fabaceae
444	674	263	ok	n	Xyris fimbriata	Xyridaceae
445	500	265	ok	n	Xyris jupicai	Xyridaceae
3	10	299	ok	S	Yucca filamentosa	Liliaceae
210	410	602	ok	n	Zornia bracteata	Fabaceae

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## Appendix D Vascular Plant Species for Muscogee and Chattahoochee Counties, Georgia, from Jones and Coile 1998

VASCULAR PLANT SPECIES INDICATED FOR MUSCOGEE AND CHATTAHOOCHEE COUNTIES, GEORGIA FROM JONES AND COILE (1988).

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NO.	NO.	a	а				
163	173	N	Y	 N	 N	Aconitum uncinatum	Ranunculaceae
126	144	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Aesculus pavia	Hippocastanaceae
127	144	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Aesculus pavia X A. sylvatica	Hippocastanaceae
26	30	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Agrostis elliottiana	Poaceae (B)
183	206	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ampelopsis arborea	Vitaceae
65	87	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Anthemis arvensis	Asteraceae (B)
63	82	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Arenaria uniflora	Caryophyllaceae
48	71	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Aristolochia serpentaria	Aristolochiacea
50	72	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ascepias variegata	Asclepiadaceae
49	72	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Asclepias tuberosa	Asclepiadaceae
123	141	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ascyrum hypericoides	Hypericaceae
47	69	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Asimina triloba	Annonaceae
1	1 2	? Y	? N	Y	Ν	Asplenium platyneuron	Aspleniaceae (A)
66	90	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Aster tortifolius	Asteraceae (B)
2	2 ?	? Y	? N	Ν	Ν	Athyrium filix-femina (C)	Aspidiaceae (A)
104	126	Ν	Y	Ν	Ν	Baptisia lactea	Fabaceae
51	75	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Bignonia capreolata	Bignoniaceae
55	76	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Brasenia schreberi	Cabombaceae (B)
178	202	Y	Y	Y	Y	Callicarpa americana	Verbenaceae
52	75	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Campsis radicans	Bignoniaceae
20	21	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Cyperus strigosus	Cyperaceae
18	18	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Carex tenax	Cyperaceae
56	77	Y	Y	Y	Y	Cassia fasciculata	Fabaceae (B)
57	77	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Cassia obtusifolia	Fabaceae (B)
58	77	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Cassia occidentalis	Fabaceae (B)
167	182	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Cephalanthus occidentalis	Rubiaceae
145	160	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Chionanthus virginicus	Oleaceae
67	93	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Chrysopsis gossypina	Asteraceae (B)
68	93	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Chrysopsis mariana	Asteraceae (B)
179	203	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Clerodendron indicum	Verbenaceae
105	126	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Clitoria mariana	Fabaceae
141	158	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Cocculus carolinus	Menispermaceae
15	12	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Commelina communis	Commelinaceae

69	94	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Coreopsis lanceolata
70	94	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Coreopsis major
95	112	Ν	Y	Y	Y	Cornus florida
17	13	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Croomia pauciflora
106	127	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Crotalaria rotundifolia
101	122	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Crotonopsis elliptica
19	20	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Cyperus grantiophilus
97	116	Y	Y	Y	Y	Cyrilla racemiflora
107	127	Ν	Y	Ν	Ν	Dalea carnea
175	194	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Datura stramonium
108	127	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Daubentonia punicea
164	174	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Delphinium carolinianum
96	112	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Diamorpha smallii
98	117	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Drosera capillaris
21	22	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Dulichium arundinaceum
27	37	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Eragrostis pilosa
159	169	Ν	Y	Y	Ν	Eriogonum tomentosum
71	96	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Eupatorium fistulosum
72	96	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Eupatorium incarnatum
102	123	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Euphorbia corollata
22	23	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Fimbristylis annua
44	68	Y	Ν	Ν	Y	Froelichia floridana
73	97	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Gaillardia aestivalis
146	162	Ν	Y	Y	Ν	Gaura filipes
134	154	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Gelsemium sempervirens
122	140	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Geranium maculatum
74	98	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Gnaphalium helleri
129	147	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Hedeoma hispidum
75	98	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Helenium amarum
53	75	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Heliotropium indicum
137	156	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Hibiscus moscheutos
124	142	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Hypericum mutilum
33	55	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Hypoxis hirsuta
92	111	Y	N	Ν	Y	Ipomoea hederacea
93	111	Y	N	Ν	Ν	Ipomoea lacunosa
29	50	Y	N	Ν	N	Iris virginica
170	188	Y	N	Y	N	Itea virginica
30	51	Y	N	Ν	Y	Juncus georgianus
31	51	Y	N	N	N	Juncus polycephalus
32	51	Y	N	N	N	Juncus repens
76	101	Y	N	N	N	Krigia oppositifolia
77	101	Y	N	Y	N	Lactuca canadensis
109	130	Y	N	Y	Y	Lespedeza cuneata
78	102	Y	N	N	N	Liatris graminifolia
133	153	Y	N	N	N	Linum medium
54	76	Y	N	N	Y	Lithospermum caroliniense
59	78	Y	Y	N	N	Lobelia amoena
61	80	Y	N	Y	N	Lonicera japonica
147	162	N	Y	Y	N	Ludwigia alternifolia
148	162	Y	N	Y	N	Ludwigia leptocarpa
4	4	Y	N	N	N	Lycopodium carolinianum
5	5	Y	N	N	N	Lycopodium digitatum
3	4	Y	N	N V	N	Lycopodium x brucei
162	173	Y	N	Y	N	Lysimachia lanceolata
136	155	Y	N N	N V	N N	Magnolia acuminata
39	58	Y	N	Y	N	Mayaca fluviatilis
171	192 148	Y v	N Y	Y Y	N N	Mecardonia acuminata Monarda punctata
130 125	148 143	Y Y	r N	r N	N N	Monarda punctata Myriophyllum heterophyllum
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142	160	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Nuphar luteum
143	160	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Nymphaea odorata
144	160	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Nyssa sylvatica
149	164	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Oenothera biennis
150	164	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Oenothera fruticosa
151	164	Y	Y	Y	Y	Oenothera laciniata
6	5	Y	N	Ŷ	N	Onoclea sensibilis
7	6	Ŷ	Y	N	N	Osmunda cinnamomea
152	164	Ŷ	N	N	N	Oxalis dillenii
184	206	Ŷ	N	Y	N	Parthenocissus quinquefolia
153	165	Ŷ	N	N	N	Passiflora edulis
172	192	Ŷ	N	Y	N	Penstemon australis
128	145	Ŷ	N	N	N	Phacelia dubia
154	168	Ŷ	Y	Y	Y	Phlox nivalis
155	168	Ŷ	N	Ŷ	N	Phlox pilosa
79	103	Y	N	N	N	Pityopsis graminifolia
80	103	Y	N	N	N	Pluchea camphorata
156	168	Y	N	Y	N	Polygala lutea
150		r Y	N	Y	Y	
	169					Polygala nana
158	169	Y	N	Y	Y	Polygala polygama
34	56	Y	N	N	N	Polygonatum biflorum
160	170	Y	N	N	N	Polygonum pensylvanicum
8	6	Y	N	Y	N	Polypodium polyoioides
135	154	Y	N	Y	N	Polypremum procumbens
9	6	Y	N	Ν	Ν	Polystichum acrostichoides
166	181	Ν	Y	Y	Y	Prunus serotina
168	185	Y	N	N	N	Ptelea trifoliata
10	6	Y	N	Y	Y	Pteridium aquilinum
114	136	Ν	Y	Ν	Ν	Quercus askansana
115	136	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Quercus hemisphaerica
116	136	Y	Y	Ν	Ν	Quercus incana
117	136	Y	Y	Y	Ν	Quercus laevis
118	137	Y	Y	Y	Y	Quercus marilandica
119	137	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Quercus nigra
120	137	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Quercus phellos
138	157	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Rhexia mariana
139	157	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Rhexia nashii
140	158	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Rhexia virginica
99	119	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Rhododendron alabamense
45	68	Ν	Y	Y	Y	Rhus copallina
46	68	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Rhus toxicodendron (D)
110	132	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Rhynchosia reniformis
23	25	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Rhynchospora glomerata
82	104	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Rudbeckia hirta
83	104	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Rudbeckia triloba
81	104	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Rudbeckia fulgida
121	140	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Sabatia macrophylla
169	186	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Salix nigra
131	150	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Salvia lyrata
64	83	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Saponaria officinalis
24	27	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Scirpus cyperinus
25	27	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Scirpus koilolepis
11	6	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Selaginella apoda
12	7	Y	N	N	N	Selaginella kraussiana
84	105	Ŷ	N	N	N	Senecio tometosus
173	193	N	Y	Y	N	Seymeria pectinate
85	105	Y	N	Ŷ	Y	Silphium compositum
86	105	Y	N	Ŷ	Ŷ	Silphium dentatum
41	63	Y	N	Ŷ	N	Smilax smallii
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42	64	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Smilax walteri
176	195	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Solanum carolinense
177	196	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Solanum sisymbriifolium
87	108	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Solvia pterosperma
28	46	Ν	Y	Ν	Ν	Sorghastrum elliottii
43	64	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Sparganium americanum
40	61	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Spiranthes vernalis
103	124	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Stillingia sylvatica
94	112	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Stylisma humistra
180	203	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Stylodon carneus
161	172	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Talinum teretifolium
111	133	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Tephrosia spicata
112	133	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Tephrosia viginiana
88	108	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Tetragonotheca helianthoides
165	176	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Thalictrum thalictroides
13	7	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Thelypteris torresiana
16	12	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Tradescantia hirsuticaulis
35	56	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Trillium catesbaei
36	56	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Trillium decipiens
37	57	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Trillium underwoodii
132	152	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Utricularia biflora
38	58	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Uvularia perfoliata
100	121	Ν	Y	Y	Ν	Vaccinium myrsinites
174	193	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Verbascum thapsus
181	203	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Verbena bonariensis
89	109	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Verbesina aristata
90	109	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Verbesina virginica
91	109	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Vernonia angustifolia
62	81	Y	Y	Y	Ν	Viburnum nudum
182	205	Y	Y	Ν	Ν	Viola pedata
185	206	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Vitis aestivalis
186	206	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Vitis rotundifolia
187	206	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Vitis vulpina
60	79	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Wahlenbergia marginata
14	8	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Woodwardia aerolata
113	135	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Zornia bracteata

a: ?Y and ?N indicates that the county dot location is

uncertain, but location selected, as shown.

- (A): Species listed under pteridophytes in Jones and Coile (1988).
- (B): Family names (right of equal sign) used in Jones and Coile, 1988 : Poaceae = Gramineae
  - : Asteraceae = Compositae
  - : Hydrophyllaceae = Guttiferae
  - : Lamiaceae = Labiatae
  - : Cabombaceae = Buxaceae
  - : Fabaceae = Caesalpiniaceae
  - : Liliaceae = Smilaceae
- (C): A. filix-femina var. asplenioides
- (D): Rhus toxicodendron = Toxicodendron radicans
  - : A. x neglecta and A. pavia reported in the Fort Benning Check List

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## Appendix E Vascular Plant Species for Muscogee and Chattahoochee Counties, Georgia, from Duncan 1950

VASCULAR PLANT SPECIES INDICATED FOR MUSCOGEE AND CHATTACHOOGEE COUNTIES, GEORGIA FROM DUNCAN (1950)

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YM-REPORTED FOR MUSCOGEE COUNTY, YC-REPORTED FOR CHATTACHOOGEE COUNTY, YB-REPORTED FOR BOTH COUNTIES FB = IN REFERENCE TO THE FORT BENNING PLANT LIST (APPENDIX C): Y-ON LIST, N-NOT ON LIST. SI = IN REFERENCE TO THE SITE PLANT LIST (APPENDIX A.1):

Y-ON LIST, N-NOT ON LIST

ITEM No.	MC	CC	JC	FB	SI	LATIN NAME
46	Y	Y	 N	Y	 N	Albizia julibrissin
16	Ŷ	Ŷ	N	N	N	Betula nigra
32	Ŷ	N	N	N	N	Broussonetia papyrifera
84	Ŷ	Y	N	N	N	Caltalpa bignonioides
14	Ŷ	N	N	N	N	Carpinus caroliniana
29	Ŷ	N	N	N	N	Celtis laevigata
86	N	Y	YM	Y	N	Cephalanthus occidentalis
47	Y	Ŷ	Ν	Ŷ	N	Cercis canadensis
71	Υ	Y	YC	Ν	Y	Cornus florida
78	Ŷ	Ŷ	Ν	Y	Ŷ	Diospyros virginiana
49	Ŷ	Ŷ	N	N	N	Gleditsia triacanthos
8	Ν	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Juniperus virginiana
42	Y	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Liquidambar styraciflua
39	Y	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Liriodendron tulipifera
38	Ν	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Magnolia virginiana
53	Y	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Melia azedarach
31	Y	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Morus rubra
1	Ν	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Pinus glabra
2	Ν	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Pinus palustris
43	Y	Ν	Ν	Y	Y	Platanus occidentalis
13	Y	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Populus deltiodes
45	Ν	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Prunus serotina
19	Ν	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Quercus alba
21	Y	Y	Ν	Ν	Y	Quercus falcata
23	Y	Y	YB	Y	Y	Quercus marilandica
24	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Y	Quercus stellata
54	Ν	Y	YC	Y	Y	Rhus copallina
55	Y	Y	Ν	Ν	Y	Rhus glabra
50	Ν	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Robinia pseudoacacia
40	Y	Y	Ν	Y	Y	Sassafras albidum
26	Y	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ulmus alata



# Addendum Land Rehabilitation of the McKenna Hill Drop Zone, Fort Benning Military Reservation, Georgia: Erosion Control and Revegetation Methods



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During the winter of 1988–1989, an area of approximately 258 hectares [ha] (637 acres) was prepared as a new parachute drop zone near the McKenna Hill Airstrip on the Fort Benning Military Reservation (Fort Benning), Georgia, and was named the McKenna Hill Drop Zone (the Site). To prepare the Site, trees were removed, stumps grubbed and buried, some of the ridges flattened, and gullies filled. These operations destroyed the vegetation and mixed plant remains with the topsoil, duff, and litter layers with the subsoils, leaving infertile soils exposed. No measures were taken following the clearing and grading operations to establish a permanent vegetational cover over the altered landscape, so the Site was subject to severe soil erosion.

In early 1991, a very major concern was the high rate of soil erosion on the Site that resulted in the buildup of sediment outwash around trees, including cavity (den, nest) trees of a colony of the Red Cockaded Woodpecker. The colony of concern was located adjacent to one of the Site's watersheds.

The Red Cockaded Woodpecker is an endangered bird, and it is specific in selecting colony sites and cavity trees. Colonies are established only in open pine stands with little or no understory. Furthermore, only living trees of certain pine species of 80 to 100 years of age and infected with heartwood disease are used for cavity trees. Also, the woodpeckers may take one or more years to prepare cavities in suitable pine trees. If cavity trees die, they are abandoned.

The accumulation of sediments around the base of cavity trees may kill them, because of reduced soil aeration and higher water table levels in their root zones. Thus, the basis of concern with respect to the sediment outwash was the Red Cockaded Woodpecker colony adjacent to the Site.

In addition to the potential adverse impact of the Site's soil erosion on the Red Cockaded Woodpecker colony, runoff and sediment from the Site was degrading the quality of surface water in off-site drainage ways. An extensive area of Clear Creek Pond was filled with sediments and sediments were carried into Clear Creek following major rainfalls.

The Environmental Management Division (EMD) of the Directorate of Public Works (DPW) at Fort Benning contacted the Environmental Division of the Construction Engineering Research Laboratories (CERL) for suggestions regarding the control of soil erosion and revegetation of the Site. In turn, CERL asked the Center for Environmental Restoration Systems (CERS) in the Energy Systems Division at Argonne National Laboratory to develop and implement a soil erosion control and revegetation research effort at the Site. From 1991 through 1994, this effort consisted of designing, implementing, and monitoring the effectiveness of various runoff control structures and revegetation methods that are adaptable to military training lands. This report summarizes these research activities, their costs, and their effectiveness.



The Fort Benning Military Reservation covers about 73,450 ha (181,500 acres) in westcentral Georgia with a small portion extending into east-central Alabama on the Georgia-Alabama boarder.

Fort Benning has long, hot summers because moist tropical air from the Gulf of Mexico persistently covers the region with average daily temperatures slightly above 26.7°C (80°F) and average daily maximum temperatures of 32.2°C (90°F) during July and August. Winters are cool and fairly short, with average daily temperatures of about 8.3°C (47°F) and average daily minimum temperatures of 2.2°C (36°F) during December and January. Total annual precipitation averages about 1,306 millimeters (mm) (51.4 inches [in.]), and approximately one-half of this falls during the normal growing season from April through September. Summer precipitation is mainly by afternoon thunderstorms that are highly variable. Table 1 gives the 1951 to 1977 temperature and precipitation data recorded at Columbus, Georgia (Johnson 1983).

The Site (McKenna Hill Drop Zone) is about 14.5 km (9 mi) east of the main cantonment area of Fort Benning (Figure 1). The Site begins on the north side of Hourglass Road about 1 km (0.6 mi) northeast of the intersection of Eight Division Road and Hourglass Road (Figure 2). Hourglass Road runs along the south side of the Site with the intersection of Pine Tree Road and Hourglass Road at about the center of the south edge of the Site. Pine Tree Road runs north-northwest and divides the Site into two parts of about equal size. The McKenna Hill Airstrip and a Military Operation in Urban Terrain (MOUT) area are adjacent to the southeast corner of the Site, but are not included in it (Figure 2). Drainage from most of the Site is to the north, with the western half draining directly into the lower part of Clear Creek. The eastern half of the Site, east of Pine Tree Road, drains into Clear Creek Pond and the upper part of Clear Creek, upstream from Clear Creek Pond.

		Precipitation		
Month	Average Daily Maximum °C (°F)	Average Daily Minimum °C (°F)	Average Daily °C (°F)	Average mm (in.)
January	14.0 (57.2)	1.9 (35.5)	8.1 (46.4)	109 (4.31)
February	16.2 (61.1)	3.0 (37.4)	9.6 (49.2)	115 (4.54)
March	19.9 (67.9)	6.6 (43.9)	13.3 (55.9)	151 (5.95)
April	25.2 (77.4)	11.0 (51.8)	18.1 (64.6)	108 (4.26)
May	28.8 (83.9)	15.6 (60.0)	22.2 (72.0)	108 (4.27)
June	31.9 (89.4)	19.7 (67.4)	25.8 (78.4)	112 (4.39)
July	32.7 (90.9)	21.5 (70.7)	27.1 (80.8)	144 (5.65)
August	32.6 (90.7)	21.3 (70.3)	26.9 (80.5)	103 (4.06)
September	29.9 (85.90	18.7 (65.6)	24.3 (75.7)	93 (3.67)
October	24.9 (76.9)	11.7 (53.1)	18.3 (65.0)	55 (2.17)
November	19.3 (66.8)	5.7 (42.2)	12.5 (54.5)	78 (3.06)
December	15.3 (59.5)	2.8 (37.1)	9.1 (48.3)	128 (5.02)
Yearly:				
Average	24.2 (75.6)	11.6 (52.9)	18.0 (64.3)	
Total				1304 (51.35)

# Table 1 Average Temperatures and Precipitation Reported for Columbus,Georgia, 1951–1977^a

^a From Johnson 1983.

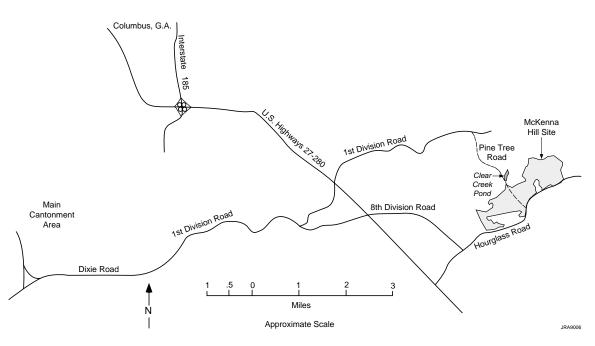


Figure 1 Location of McKenna Hill Drop Zone (the Site)

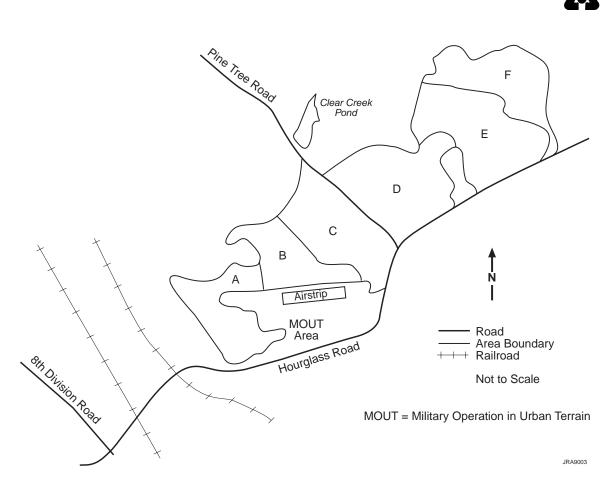


Figure 2 Site Sections A-F



#### 3.1 Proem

A CERS inspection team visited the Site during April 1991 to assess the soil erosion and vegetational conditions. For this assessment, the Site was divided into six sections (A, B, C, D, E, and F) shown in Figure 2. The sections generally correspond to watersheds of the Site with an exception of Sections D and E. These sections could be considered one large watershed, but were divided because Section E had been planted with pine seedlings prior to the team visit while Section D had not been planted. A Global Positioning System (GPS) was used during this and later Site visits to map the boundaries and determine the size of each of the six sections. Sizes of the six sections are as follows: Section A 31.2 ha (78 acres); Section B 25.1 ha (62 acres); Section C 44.5 ha (110 acres), Section D 56.2 ha (139 acres); Section E 67.6 ha (167 acres), and Section F 32.8 ha (81 acres).

#### 3.2 Section A

Section A generally had 75% or more vegetational cover consisting of established grasses, forbs, and shrubs with a few small trees. It was apparent that most of Section A was cleared before the 1988-1989 clearing operation, because of the amount and type of established vegetation observed. The slope west of the airstrip had wide, level terraces. Generally, rill formation was not a major problem on the west slope, but there were several narrow-deep gullies that developed at locations where terraces were topped and washed out. The major cause of these gullies was runoff from the airstrip and a barren-steep slope along the west and northwest edge of the airstrip. The airstrip was expanded during the 1988-1989 clearing operation and the steep slopes apparently were not seeded. A steep slope north of the airstrip was cleared in 1988-1989. Here several deep gullies developed because of the lack of vegetational cover. Also, there was a buffer of forest between the cleared area of the Section and Clear Creek, but sediments were washed from the cleared areas through the forested area to Clear Creek.

#### 3.3 Section B

Section B was a major concern because the runoff and sediment outwash from this watershed was adversely affecting cavity trees of the Red Cockaded Woodpecker colony. All drainage from Section B including the eastern half of the airstrip occurred through a single valley into an area where several cavity trees were located adjacent to the Site. Because of the adverse effects of sediment accumulation around the bases of cavity trees, several attempts were made prior to April 1991 to control soil erosion and revegetate selected areas of Section B.

Sometime after the clearing and grading operations on the Site, a silt fence was constructed across the valley of Section B to reduce runoff velocity and trap sediments. During the summer or fall of 1990, terraces were cut into the slopes, gullies filled, and slopes smoothed, and six check dams constructed across the valley. One check dam washed out during a rain storm before the area of the Section was seeded. Subsequently, culvert pipes were installed in all check dams.



During September of 1990, about 9 ha (22 acres) of the Section, including the valley floor, dams, terraces, and lower slopes, were limed, fertilized, and seeded. Agricultural lime was applied at the rate of about 1,344 kg ha⁻¹ (1,200 lb acre⁻¹) and approximately 90 kg ha⁻¹ (80 lb acre⁻¹) each of nitrogen, P₂O₅, and K₂O were applied before a seedbed was prepared by disking. The prepared area was broadcast seeded with a mixture of 129 kg ha⁻¹ (115 lb acre⁻¹) of Browntop Millet, 73 kg ha⁻¹ (65 lb acre⁻¹) of Annual Ryegrass (*Lolium multiflorum*), and 39 kg ha⁻¹ (35 lb acre⁻¹) of Bahia Grass. Next, the seeded area was lightly disked and mulched with 2.24 mg ha⁻¹ (1 ton acre⁻¹) of straw. Unfortunately, sometime after the rehabilitation effort, the area burned, which destroyed most of the straw mulch. Later, riprap spillways were installed at all check dam culvert outlets, and pine tree seedlings were planted in the valley floor adjacent to the cavity trees. All design and rehabilitation operations for this 9-ha area were carried out by Range, Road, and Section personnel of Fort Benning; the revegetation operations were done with the Section's agricultural equipment.

In April of 1991, the seeded portions of Area B had a thick stand of Annual Ryegrass, but the Bahia Grass was not becoming established, apparently because of competition from the Annual Ryegrass. The dams were intact and sediments had been trapped in all the pools. The terraces were diverting runoff into the dam pools, and in locations where the terraces followed the contour, the terrace channels were stable. However, some areas of the terrace channels had a steep grade and soil erosion had occurred in the terrace channel. The upland areas and upper slopes of the Section that were seeded in 1990 had about 75% vegetational cover of graminoids, forbs, vines, shrubs, and a few hardwood tree seedlings. There was evidence of active soil erosion problem was runoff from the eastern half of the airstrip that caused some deep rills and small gullies along the steep slope adjacent to the northern edge of the airstrip.

#### 3.4 Section C

Of the six sections of the Site, Section C was the most lacking in vegetational cover that resulted in severe soil erosion on most of the steep slopes. Upland areas had about 50% vegetational cover made up mostly of forbs, vines, and shrubs. Ditch grading along Pine Tree Road, on the east side of Section C, carried runoff from the road over the edge of the steep slopes and, at the outlet of each ditch, a deep gully had developed. The slopes on the west side of Section C had grades of 30% or greater with deep rills and little or no vegetational cover. The only vegetation on many of the steeper slopes were a few vines trailing down their rills. There were relatively large areas on the flat uplands of the Section characterized by exposed subsoils on which the vegetational cover was less than 10%.

A large gully that extended from the valley floor to a culvert under Pine Tree Road, was up to 4.5 m (15 ft) deep and over 6 m (20 ft wide). The valley floor, an area of about 4 ha (10 acres), was essentially devoid of vegetation except for a few wetland plants in a seep. Sediment outwash from the lowlands of the Section into an adjacent forest accumulated to at least 1.5 m (5 ft), and seemingly caused the death of all trees and shrubs subject to this accumulation.

#### 3.5 Sections D and E

Sections D and E lacked adequate vegetational cover for effective control of soil erosion. Apparently, some soil erosion occurred during each period of precipitation. Uplands had scattered annual grasses, shrubs, and vines interspersed among bare areas. Some areas of the uplands had vegetational cover of 60% to 75%, but most areas had vegetational cover of less than 50%. In some of the more favorable soil conditions, small hardwood tree seedlings had become established, especially in Section D.

The more gentle slopes (5 to 15%) generally had less than 50% vegetational cover, and runoff from the uplands over these slopes had caused many rills and small gullies 0.3 to 1 m (1 to 3 ft) in depth. The steeper slopes and uplands where grading exposed the subsoil had very little vegetational cover. At many locations, gullies with vertical sides 2 m (7 ft) deep and up to 4 m (13 ft) wide had developed in slopes leading to the main drainage way (joint valley floor of Sections D and E).

Sediment outwash from slopes of Sections D and E formed a barren lowland plain across the main drainage way that had the appearance of dry washes in deserts. Also, sediments were transported from the main drainage outlet into an adjacent forested area. Here sediments accumulated to a thickness of one meter (3 ft) or more that seeming lead to the death of all tree and understory plant taxa.

Section E and a narrow strip along the north tree line in Section D were planted with pine seedlings in early 1991 by personnel of Fort Benning's Natural Resources Section of DPW. Seedlings were planted in rows on 1.8 to 2.4 m (6 to 8 ft) centers with about 2.4 m (8 ft) between seedlings in the rows. A V-shaped blade on the front of the tractor that pulled the tree planter was used to fill gullies on the slopes. After the seedings were planted, new gullies developed on most of the slopes and there was little or no vegetational cover. Most of the pine seedlings showed new growth. However, without graminoids or forbs or both to stabilize the soil surfaces among the spaced pine seedlings there was little control of soil erosion.

#### 3.6 Section F

Pine seedlings were planted in Section F at about the same time as in Sections D and E. But in contrast, soil erosion was not a major problem in Section F, probably owing to a substantially intact soil profile. (Stumps were not grubbed and buried and no grading or leveling was done in Section F following the clearing operations during the drop zone preparations of the Site).

The duff and topsoil layers were present. Grasses, shrubs, vines and other forms of plants were becoming reestablished. The soil was soft, no subsoil was visible, and gully and rill soil erosion were not observed. In addition, the pine seedlings looked healthy and had new growth.



## Section 4 Erosion Control and Revegetation Efforts

#### 4.1 Proem

Four separate erosion control and revegetation contracts were fulfilled at the Site from April 1992 through July 1994. Each of these contracts was design to address specific problems at the Site. Detailed plans and specifications for these contracts were developed by personnel at CERS following the collection of detailed Site-specific information.

Contractual work was done by a local land rehabilitation contractor under the supervision of staff members of CERS. Following the implementation of the different contracts, the effectiveness of erosion control and revegetation methods was evaluated by recording field observations and by monitoring vegetational development at selected locations. A description of these field observation and monitoring efforts along with results are provided subsequently under the heading Field Observations and Monitoring.

#### 4.2 First Contract

In 1991, the immediate concern of Fort Benning's EMD staff members was the continual adverse influence of sediment outwash from Section B into the adjacent Red Cockaded Woodpecker colony. Although the construction of a terrace system and check dams along with revegetation efforts were completed in the fall of 1990 by Fort Benning personnel that resulted in a reduction of sediment accumulation in the bird colony, additional soil erosion control measures were needed.

Contractual specifications were developed for measures to reduce runoff velocity, trap sediments, and improve vegetational cover in Section B. Specific tasks in the contract involved construction of 76 m (250 ft) of silt fence, installation of 19 riprap waterbars in terrace channels, and fertilization of 25 ha (62 acre) in Section B. These contractual specifications were submitted for bid to local contractors during August 1992. Unfortunately no bids were obtained, but again the contractual specifications were submitted for bids in February 1992. A suitable bid was obtained, and the tasks of the contract were implemented in April 1992.

A silt fence was designed to reduce runoff velocity and trap sediments from the watershed of Section B before sediment outwash entered the Red Cockaded Woodpecker colony. The silt fence consisted of 0.9 m (3 ft) wide filter fabric supported by woven wire fastened to steel posts with 1.2 m (4 ft) centers. The bottom of the filter fabric and woven wire was buried in a 15 cm (6 in) trench to prevent runoff from running under the fence. The silt fence ran across the valley floor nearly at the boundary of Section B and the bird colony.

Waterbars were designed to reduce runoff velocity and prevent erosion in the terrace channels. The waterbars consisted of a 1.2 m (4 ft) strip of 15 to 30 cm (6 to 12 in) size riprap extending across a terrace channel. The elevation of the riprap in the center of the terrace channel



was about 15 cm (6 in) below the elevation of the riprap on the terrace cut-slope and front-slope to prevent runoff from running around the waterbar. Nineteen (19) waterbars were located in segments of terrace channels where active scouring occurred.

Fertilizer was applied to a portion of Section B to improve the growth of the existing vegetation, thus stabilizing the soil. Fertilizer was broadcast on 25 ha (62 acre) at a rate to supply 56 kg ha⁻¹ (50 lb acre⁻¹) each of nitrogen, P₂O₅, and K₂O. This low fertilizer application rate was considered necessary to prevent nutrient losses by runoff.

The total cost for this contract was \$14,175, which included all materials, labor, and equipment necessary to complete the three tasks. Also, the total cost included all other contractor expenditures such as mobilization and demobilization, and profit for the contractor. Average cost per construction unit for the three tasks included in this contract were as follows: materials and construction of the silt fence was \$12.80 m⁻¹ (\$3.90 ft⁻¹); cost of broadcast fertilization at a rate to supply 56 kg ha⁻¹ (50 lb acre⁻¹) each of nitrogen, P₂O₅, and K₂O was \$72 ha⁻¹ (\$29 acre⁻¹); and riprap cost was \$149 m⁻³ (\$114 yd⁻³) for the 76.5 m⁻³ (100 yd⁻³) required for the 19 waterbars. A large portion of waterbar construction was for transporting the riprap from the staging area at the Site to the 19 locations and placement of the riprap in the terrace channel.

#### 4.3 Second Contract

A second contract, directed towards revegetation, was implemented during January 1993. The tasks of the contract included the applications of agricultural limestone and fertilizer followed by drill seeding on 81 ha (200 acre) of the Site. These revegetation efforts were applied to the uplands and gentle slopes to increase vegetational cover and hence, reduce runoff from the uplands onto steeper slopes. Treated areas were uplands and near slopes of less than 10% in Sections C, D, and E. Global Positioning System (GPS) data were combined with existing topographic information in the Geographic Information System (GIS) to map the treated areas and to determine their unit (hectares) areas.

Sections A and F were not included because general reseeding was not considered a high priority at the time because of limited resources.

A broadcast spreader was used to apply agricultural limestone at a rate of 2.24 Mg ha⁻¹ (1 ton acre⁻¹) and fertilizer at a rate to supply 56 kg ha⁻¹ (50 lb acre⁻¹) each of nitrogen, P₂O₅, and K₂O on the treated areas.

Following the application of limestone and fertilizer, the seed mixture shown in Table 2 was drilled using a no-till seed drill. Seeds of the mixture consisted of perennial grasses and a legume to provide long-term soil stabilization, and Cereal Rye to provide immediate soil erosion control. The no-till drill used was equipped with large diameter travel wheels in line with the drill coulters enabling it to be pulled over the rough and eroded terrain. The center drill coulter on the drill was removed so the rows of small pine seedlings could be straddled during the drilling operation.

Latin Name	Common Name	Variety	Туре	Drilling Rate kg ha ⁻¹ (lb acre ⁻¹ ) ^a
Eragrostis curvula	Weeping Love Grass			1.1 (1.0)
Paspalum notatum	Bahia Grass	Pensacola		33.6 (30.0)
Cynodon dactylon	Bermuda Grass	Common	unhulled	4.5 (4.0)
Lespedeza cuneta	Sericea Lespedza	Interstate	unhulled	16.8 (15.0)
Secale cereale	Cereal Rye			62.7 (56.0)
Total				118.7 (106.0)

Table 2 Seed Mixture Used at the Site in January 1993

^a Pure live seed.

Total cost of this contract was \$39,000. The total cost included all materials, labor, equipment with associated costs and profit for liming, fertilizing and drill seeding the 81 ha (200 acres) of the uplands and gentle slopes of Sections C, D and E. Costs associated with the different tasks were as follows: agricultural limestone was furnished and broadcasted at 2.24 Mg ha⁻¹ (1 ton acre⁻¹) for a cost of \$52 ha⁻¹ (\$21 acre⁻¹); fertilizer was broadcast at a rate to supply 56 kg ha⁻¹ (50 lb acre⁻¹) each of nitrogen, P₂O₅, and K₂O at a cost of \$203 ha⁻¹ (\$82 acre⁻¹); and the seed mixture was \$128 ha⁻¹ (\$52 acre⁻¹) and the no-till drill planting added about \$99 ha⁻¹ (\$40 acre⁻¹) for a total seeding cost of \$227 ha⁻¹ (\$92 acre⁻¹). The average cost for all tasks in this revegetation effort was about \$482 ha⁻¹ (\$195 acre⁻¹).

#### 4.4 Third Contract

The third contract, also directed toward revegetation, was implemented during July 1993. This contract was similar to the second contract (January 1993), but in the revegetation effort here about 55 ha (135 acres) of the steeper slopes in Sections D and E were limed, fertilized and seeded.

Application rates for limestone and fertilizer were the same as those used in the second contract (January 1993). Also, the same seed mixture was used, except that Browntop Millet replaced Cereal Rye (*Secale cereale*).

The no-till drill was used to seed some of the areas. But on rough and eroded areas and very steep slopes, the seed mixture was broadcast and later tracked to cover the seeds. Objectives of the tracking operation were to press the soil amendments and seeds into the subsurface of the soil and to leave shallow depressions in the soil surface perpendicular to the direction of the slope (parallel to the contour).

In addition, a total of 259 m (850 ft) of silt fence was constructed across five washes along the north boundary of Section D. Here the construction of the silt fence was of the same type and design used during the first contract (April 1992).

Total cost of this contract was \$58,000 including all materials, labor, equipment, other contractor costs, and profit. The total cost here was somewhat higher than for the previous



revegetation effort (Second Contract), because of rougher terrain and steeper slopes. In addition, the tracking operation was required on the rough areas and steep slopes where broadcast seeding was used. Cost of the silt fence construction was about \$18 m⁻¹ (\$5.50 ft⁻¹). The cost for agricultural limestone was about \$62 ha⁻¹ (\$25 acre⁻¹) and broadcast application was about \$86 ha⁻¹ (\$35 acre⁻¹) for a total liming cost of \$148 ha⁻¹ (\$60 acre⁻¹). Fertilizer costs were \$99 ha⁻¹ (\$40 acre⁻¹) and broadcast application was about \$148 ha⁻¹ (\$60 acre⁻¹) for a total fertilizer purchase and application cost of \$247 ha⁻¹ (\$100 acre⁻¹). The cost of the seed mixture was \$119 ha⁻¹ (\$48 acre⁻¹) with an average cost for planting the seeds at \$215 ha⁻¹ (\$87 acre⁻¹). Average cost for the tracking operation was \$247 ha⁻¹ (\$100 acre⁻¹). The average cost for the combined revegetation tasks was about \$976 ha⁻¹ (\$395 acre⁻¹).

#### 4.5 Fourth Contract

The fourth contract was implemented in May and June of 1994. In this contract, four types of soil erosion control structures and four revegetation methods were employed.

The four soil erosion control structures were: (1) construction of a total of 122 m (400 ft) of new silt fences among five washes, building earth berms at each of the two ends of the five silt fences and filling in an washout under an existing silt fence; (2) installation of extensions on the inlet pipes of six existing check dams; (3) construction of 427 m (1400 ft) of graded terraces associated with a 99 m (325 ft) of riprap lined waterway; and (4) construction of six porous check dams.

The four revegetation methods involved: (1) applications of agricultural limestone, fertilizer, and a seed mixture followed by light tillage on 6.6 ha (16.4 acres); (2) applications of agricultural limestone, fertilizer, a seed mixture and mulch followed by tracking on 0.5 ha (1.3 acres); (3) light tillage followed by applications of agricultural limestone, fertilizer, a seed mixture and mulch followed by tracking on 1.9 ha (4.6 acres); and (4) land smoothing followed by applications of agricultural limestone, fertilizer, a seed mixture and mulch followed by tracking on 2.3 ha (5.7 acres).

In this contract, the installation of all soil erosion control structures and areas treated for revegetation were located near the airstrip in Sections A and B with the exception of the construction of the silt fences and related work which was done along the northern boundary of Section D.

Several segments of silt fences, constructed across the washes on the northern boundary of Section D during July 1993, had been filled with trapped sediments. At each of the five locations, a new silt fence was installed next to the old fence on the up-slope side. Earth berms were constructed at each end of the five silt fences to prevent runoff from going around the fences. Also, an washout under the silt fence in Section B was repaired.

Elbow (L) extensions were installed on the inlet end of the culvert pipes of the six existing check dams in Section B (Figure 3). These extensions limited the rate of runoff flow through existing check dam metal culverts, thus reducing velocity below each check dam.

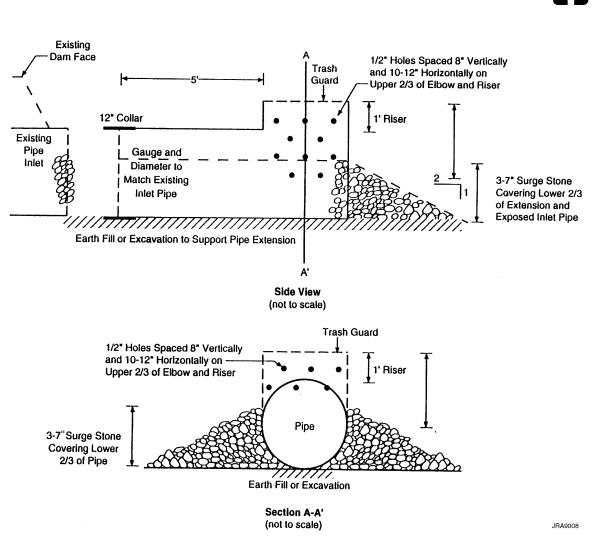


Figure 3 Construction Details for Check Dam Culvert Pipe Extensions in Section B

A terrace graded system, with riprap lined outlets on each terrace and with a riprap lined waterway (Figure 4), was constructed to divert runoff from the airstrip and control its velocity down the steep slope on the north side of the airstrip (Figure 2).

Six porous check dams were constructed in a gully along the north side of the airstrip (Figure 5). A particularly noteworthy feature of these check dams is the geotexile core placed there to trap sediments.

With respect to the four revegetation methods, agricultural limestone was applied at the rate of 2.24 Mg ha⁻¹ (1 ton acre⁻¹), and fertilizer was applied at a rate to supply 56 kg ha⁻¹ (50 lb acre⁻¹) each of nitrogen,  $P_2O_5$ , and  $K_2O$ . The seed mixture and its rate of application used for the four revegetation methods are shown in Table 3.

Differences among the four revegetation methods were the operations that preceded or followed applications of ground agricultural limestone, fertilizer, and the seed mixture.

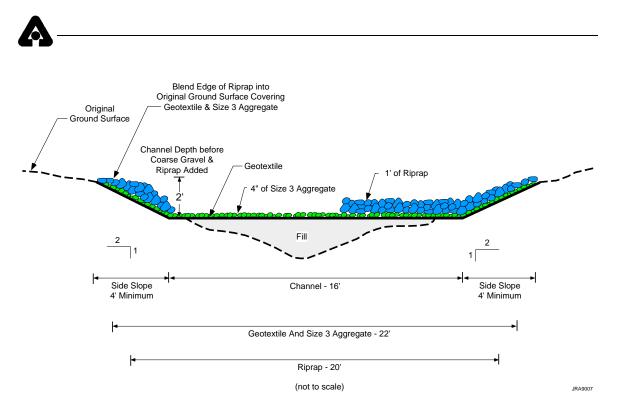


Figure 4 Construction Details for the Waterway in Section B

Latin Name	Common Name	Variety	Туре	Broadcast Rate kg ha ⁻¹ (Ib acre ⁻¹ ) ^a
Paspalum notatum Cynodon dactylon Cynodon dactylon Lespedeza cuneata Lespedeza cuneata Lespedeza stipulacea Panicum ramosum Total	Bahia Grass Bermuda Grass Bermuda Grass Sericea Lespedeza Sericea Lespedeza Korean Lespedeza Browntop Millet	Pensacola common common Interstate Interstate	hulled unhulled hulled unhulled hulled	$\begin{array}{c} 28.0 \ (25.0) \\ 2.2 \ (2.0) \\ 2.2 \ (2.0) \\ 4.5 \ (4.0) \\ 4.5 \ (4.0) \\ 4.5 \ (4.0) \\ 5.6 \ (5.0) \\ 51.5 \ (46.0) \end{array}$

Table 3 Seed Mixture Used for All Revegetation Methods at the Sitein May and June 1994

^a Pure live seed.

The first method was used on an area northwest of the airstrip with limited vegetational cover. It involved seeding with the no-till drill, but the seed tubes were disconnected to broadcast the seed and the drill coulters lightly tilled the soil surface to cover the seeds.

The second revegetation method was used in areas disturbed by the terrace and waterway construction. These areas were mulched with 4.48 Mg ha⁻¹ (2 ton acre⁻¹) of wheat straw and followed by tracking to anchor the mulch to the soil surface.

The third revegetation method was used to stabilize a 3.6 m wide (12 ft) strip along the edges of the airstrip. Disking was used to prepare a seedbed before this area was limed, fertilized, drill seeded, mulched and tracked.

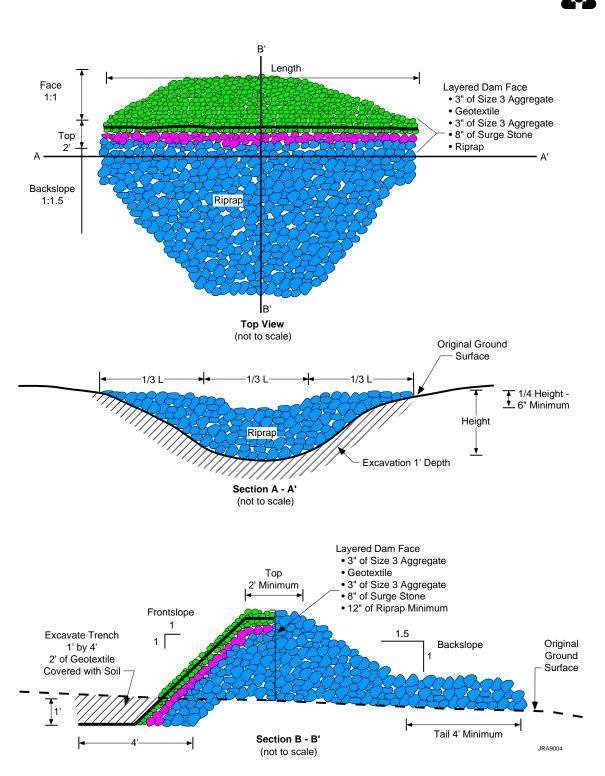


Figure 5 Construction Details for the Porous Check Dams in Section B



The fourth revegetation method was used on steep and eroded slopes at the north and west end of the airstrip, and was used on an area that had been cleared in 1988-1989 northwest of the airstrip. These areas required extensive land smoothing by a bulldozer before they could be treated for revegetation.

Total cost of this soil erosion control and revegetation contract was almost \$95,000 which included all associated contractor costs. Cost of silt fence construction was about \$18 m⁻¹ (\$5.50 ft⁻¹) and the berm construction was about \$100 each. Materials and installation of the inlet pipe extensions on the existing check dams averaged about \$3,000 each. Almost one-half of this cost was for the fabrication of each elbow extension, and the remaining cost was for installation of the extension and placement of the riprap around each extension. Terrace grading averaged \$12.75 M⁻¹ (\$3.90 ft⁻¹) and cost of the riprap lined outlets on each terrace was about \$118 M⁻¹ (\$36 ft⁻¹). The lined waterway construction cost was about \$266 M⁻¹ (\$81 ft⁻¹) due to cost associated with placement of the riprap over the Geotextile. Total costs for each of the four revegetation methods were as follows: method 1: \$966 ha⁻¹ (\$391 acre⁻¹), method 2: \$2,597 ha⁻¹ (\$1,051 acre⁻¹, method 3: \$2,844 ha⁻¹ (\$1,151 acre⁻¹) and method 4: \$5,068 ha⁻¹ (\$2,051 acre⁻¹). Liming, fertilization, and seed cost were similar to costs in previous revegetation contracts. The higher cost was due to mulching at about \$1,483 ha⁻¹ (\$600 acre⁻¹) and smoothing at \$2,471 ha⁻¹ (\$1,000 acre⁻¹).

#### 4.6 Closing Comments Concerning the Contractual Works

The four contracts implemented at the McKenna Hill Drop Zone from April 1992 through June 1994 were designed to address some of the most pressing soil erosion control and revegetation concerns at the Site. The major problem of soil erosion control and revegetation of Section C was not addressed because of the expected high cost of rehabilitating it.

The contracts implemented aided in improving and establishing vegetational cover on 172 ha (425 acre) of the Site.

The soil erosion control structures were designed and placed to reduce runoff and sediment volume in areas that were potentially damaging to Red Cockaded Woodpecker habitats and Clear Creek Pond.

The contracts implemented were not expected to completely rehabilitate the Site, but only to initiate the rehabilitation process on selected portions of the Site.

#### 5.1 Proem

Field observations and monitoring were used to assess the changing soil erosion and vegetational conditions at the Site (McKenna Hill Drop Zone). Also, this information was used to develop contract specifications and to determine the effectiveness of the soil erosion control and revegetation methods implemented at the Site.

#### 5.2 Preliminary Test Plots

During a site visit in early July 1991, small test plots were established to evaluate the effectiveness of broadcast seeding without seedbed preparation for improving vegetational cover. Four treatment plots were set up at each of two locations without existing vegetation. One location was on a gentle slope (3%) and the second was on a steep slope (28%).

Treatments to be evaluated were: (1) seeded without seedbed preparation; (2) seeded and fertilizer application without seedbed preparation; (3) seeded with a minimum seedbed preparation; and (4) seeded and fertilizer application with a minimum seedbed preparation.

The seed mixture was applied by the broadcast method at a rate of 2.2 kg ha⁻¹ (2 lb acre⁻¹) for Bermuda Grass and 11.2 kg ha⁻¹ (10 lb acre⁻¹) for Bahia Grass and Browntop Millet. Fertilizer was applied at the rate to supply 56 kg ha⁻¹ (50 lb acre⁻¹) each of nitrogen, P₂O₅, and K₂O.

Minimum seedbed preparation was accomplished using a hand cultivator.

Although early July, 1991 was a late seeding date, the tests would indicate the normal response of the seeds to these treatments under less than ideal environmental conditions.

Establishment of plants from the seed mixture in the plots was monitored during Site visits for four months after July, 1991.

No vegetation became established in any of the plots with the two treatments that did not include minimum seedbed preparation. This indicated the soil crust must be broken to establish new grass and legume seedlings.

Only a few scattered plants became established in plots that received minimum seedbed preparation, but did not have fertilizer applications. This indicated soil fertility was a major limiting factor at this Site.

Plants became established in plots that were treated (minimum seedbed preparation, applied fertilizer and seeded), but they were in less than good condition. However, the tests did indicate



that seeding on the Site with agricultural species would most likely be unsuccessful without both seedbed preparation and the application of fertilizer.

#### 5.3 Soil Samples

Soil samples were collected during 1992 from representative locations and analyzed to determine the physical and chemical characteristics of the soils at the Site.

Results of physical analyses showed both textural class extremes were represented at the Site. Exposed subsoils on eroded slopes had a clay texture, whereas soils of uplands and sediments in washes had a loamy sand texture. None of the locations sampled had more than 12% silt indicating the physical properties of the soils across the Site were less than ideal.

All soil samples analyzed were acidic with an average pH of about 5.0, but determination of the lime requirement indicated only about 2.24 Mg ha⁻¹ (1 ton acre⁻¹) of agricultural limestone was needed to increase soil pH to 6.5 (the normal pH range for the development and growth of most grasses and legumes).

Extractable potassium and available phosphorous levels were about one-tenth the level found in normal agricultural soils. The average organic matter content of the soil samples was less than 1%, indicating the low nitrogen status of the Site's soils. These results indicated applications of limestone and fertilizer were needed to improve soil fertility to an acceptable level to support vegetational cover for effective soil erosion control.

#### 5.4 Vegetational Monitoring at Four Locations in Section B

During the implementation of the initial rehabilitation contract in April 1992 (4.2 First Contract), areas in four different locations in Section B were selected for monitoring the responses of plants to the application of fertilizer.

Locations of the monitoring areas were not randomly selected, but chosen to represent different topographic features and associated vegetation observed in Section B.

The first location was in the upland area of the northeastern part of the Section. The area selected here had a fair stand of grass with some forbs, vines, and shrubs along with a few small barren patches. The selected area was rather typical of disturbed uplands Section B.

The second location was on a southwest facing slope of about 10% in the southeast portion of the Section. In the selected area here, the vegetation consisted of small amounts of grass and forb cover with some vine and shrub cover. On the other hand, there were larger patches of barren soil and exposed rock. These features of the selected area was rather typical on disturbed slopes of Section B.

The third location was on a 30% northeast facing slope in the western portion of the Section. The selected area here was seeded during the 1990 rehabilitation effort and the vegetational cover consists of mostly Annual Ryegrass. Annual Ryegrass litter from the previous growing season was common on most of the areas in Section B that were seeded in 1990.

The fourth location selected was on the relatively undisturbed upland in the southwestern portion of Section B. The selected area here had a high percent of grass cover, but little forb, shrub, and vine cover along with a few bare spots. This selected area was characteristic of the relatively undisturbed upland portions of Section B.

In the selected area of each location, nine transects 10 m (32.8 feet) in length were established for monitoring changes in vegetational cover. The amount and type of vegetational cover along each transect was determined by the point-intercept method using a 10-pin point frame (Chambers and Brown, 1983). The frame was placed perpendicular to the transect at one-meter intervals. This method provided 100 observations in an area of about 3 by 9 meters that were used to estimate relative amounts of exposed soil, litter, grasses, forbs, shrubs, and vines along each transect.

Three of the nine transects at each location were controls that represented naturally occurring plants not having been subjected to fertilizer and seed applications.

The other six transects at each location had fertilizer applications provided by the contractor. Three of these six transects were used to determine the influence of applied fertilizer on existing vegetation at each location. The remaining three of the six transects that received fertilizer were broadcast seeded as well.

Plants comprising the seed mixture and their seeding rates were as follows: Bahia Grass 11.2 kg ha⁻¹ (10 lb acre⁻¹); Bermuda Grass 2.2 kg ha⁻¹ (2 lb acre⁻¹); Browntop Millet 11.2 kg ha⁻¹ (10 lb acre⁻¹); Crimson Clover 9.0 kg ha⁻¹ (8 lb acre⁻¹); and Annual Ryegrass 5.6 kg ha⁻¹ (5 lb acre⁻¹).

The mean percent covers for each category by location, treatment, and the four data collection dates are shown in Table 4. Also shown are the total percent vegetational covers, which are the sums of the grass, forb, shrub and vine covers.

Inspection of the data indicate that there were substantial differences in percent covers within the categories measured along the transects of a particular location on April 4 (1992) when the initial data was collected. This indicates that the areas in which the nine transects were placed at each location were not (and were not expected to be) homogeneous stands.

There is a marked increase in grass cover shown in the May (1992) data due to normal spring growth that is reflected in total vegetational cover.

At all four locations, the total vegetational covers were consistently higher in September (1992) on the portions of the areas treated with fertilizer, with or without seeding. This indicates that the application of fertilizer early in the growing season (April 1992) was effective in increasing vegetational cover.

In addition to field measurements of vegetation at the four locations in Section B, visual observations in 1992 revealed little or no establishment of the broadcast seeded plants. Thus, broadcast seeding is not effective without seed bed preparations.

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# Table 4 Mean Percent Cover for Exposed Soil and Vegetational Components at Four Locations and on Four Dates of 1992 in Section B of the Site (n=3)

Location	Collection Date	Treatment	Exposed Soil	Litter	Grass	Forb	Shrub	Vine	Total Vegetation ^a
East Upland	April 4	Control	26.7	48.3	9.7	10.0	0.7	4.7	25.0
	,	Fertilizer	31.7	58.3	4.3	5.7	0.0	0.0	10.0
		Fertilizer + Seed	17.7	67.0	5.7	5.7	2.0	2.0	15.3
	May 5	Control	30.3	46.0	13.7	5.0	2.3	2.7	23.7
		Fertilizer	32.7	45.3	12.3	9.7	0.0	0.0	22.0
		Fertilizer + Seed	18.0	47.3	15.3	9.3	0.0	10.0	34.7
	June 29	Control	23.3	40.3	16.3	11.0	1.7	7.3	36.3
		Fertilizer	19.0	38.0	22.0	20.7	0.0	0.3	43.0
		Fertilizer + Seed	8.3	42.7	19.7	17.7	0.0	11.7	49.0
	September 14	Control	24.7	13.7	26.0	31.3	0.7	3.7	61.7
		Fertilizer	13.0	4.7	35.0	46.7	0.0	0.7	82.3
		Fertilizer + Seed	9.7	15.3	35.3	34.3	0.0	5.3	75.0
East Slope	April 4	Control	38.7	43.7	9.3	1.3	3.7	3.3	17.7
		Fertilizer	52.7	30.0	5.7	0.3	2.3	9.0	17.3
		Fertilizer + Seed	58.7	32.0	2.3	3.3	2.3	1.3	9.3
	May 5	Control	39.3	34.3	11.0	3.0	4.7	7.7	26.3
		Fertilizer	41.7	16.7	19.0	2.7	3.0	17.0	41.7
		Fertilizer + Seed	50.0	21.7	10.7	4.3	12.3	1.0	28.3
	June 29	Control	25.0	28.7	20.7	11.0	5.3	9.3	46.3
		Fertilizer	38.3	12.0	30.3	6.3	0.3	12.7	49.7
		Fertilizer + Seed	45.7	10.3	18.7	12.0	11.0	2.3	44.0
	September 14		44.7	5.3	31.3	10.0	5.3	3.3	50.0
		Fertilizer	28.7	1.0	55.0	5.7	0.0	9.7	70.3
		Fertilizer + Seed	40.0	2.0	33.3	14.7	8.0	2.0	58.0
West Slope	April 4	Control	27.3	64.0	7.7	0.7	0.3	0.0	8.7
		Fertilizer	17.0	68.7	10.3	3.0	0.0	1.0	14.3
		Fertilizer + Seed	32.0	50.7	9.3	4.0	0.7	3.3	17.3
	May 5	Control	28.0	37.7	25.7	7.3	0.7	0.7	34.3
		Fertilizer	9.3	38.3	39.3	8.0	3.0	2.0	52.3
		Fertilizer + Seed	19.7	27.7	26.7	15.3	1.7	9.0	52.7
	June 29	Control	25.3	31.3	33.7	6.7	1.3	1.7	43.3
		Fertilizer	13.0	43.0	25.0	5.7	5.3	8.0	44.0
		Fertilizer + Seed	33.0	23.7	21.3	12.3	2.3	7.3	43.3



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Location	Collection Date	Treatment	Exposed Soil	Litter	Grass	Forb	Shrub	Vine	Total Vegetation ^a
Location	Date	Treatment	3011	Littei	01855	FUID	Sillub	ville	Vegetation ^a
West Slope	September 14	Control	49.0	12.0	28.7	9.0	1.0	0.3	39.0
(Cont.)		Fertilizer	7.0	11.7	54.3	12.7	4.7	9.7	81.3
		Fertilizer + Seed	33.7	7.0	32.7	19.0	0.0	7.7	59.3
West Upland	April 4	Control	35.0	49.7	10.7	4.3	0.3	0.0	15.3
		Fertilizer	14.3	65.0	8.0	11.3	0.7	0.7	20.7
		Fertilizer + Seed	33.7	36.0	14.7	11.0	4.0	0.7	30.3
	May 5	Control	28.7	29.7	36.0	5.0	0.3	0.3	41.7
		Fertilizer	7.7	31.7	47.3	8.7	1.7	3.0	60.7
		Fertilizer + Seed	17.7	13.0	46.3	16.3	0.7	6.0	69.3
	June 29	Control	33.0	17.5	24.5	21.5	0.0	3.5	52.3
		Fertilizer	8.7	23.0	49.0	15.7	1.7	2.0	68.3
		Fertilizer + Seed	9.7	14.0	37.0	32.3	0.0	7.0	76.3
	September 14	Control	43.0	7.5	28.0	19.5	0.0	1.3	52.7
		Fertilizer	13.0	11.7	59.3	13.7	1.0	1.3	75.3
		Fertilizer + Seed	16.3	11.3	47.3	20.0	0.0	5.0	72.3

# Table 4 Mean Percent Cover for Exposed Soil and Vegetational Components at Four Locations and on Four Dates of 1992 in Section B of the Site (n=3) (Cont.)

^a Sum of grass, forb, shrub, vine, pine, and rye cover

#### 5.5 Field Observations in Seeded Areas at Two Locations Supporting Pine Seedlings, East of Pine Tree Road

Two locations selected east of Pine Tree Road had suitable areas to test the success of broadcast seeding in areas previously planted (winter 1991) with pine seedlings.

One location was on the east side of the road near the top of the hill. At this location the aboveground vegetation of the seeded area was burned prior to planting the pine seedlings.

The second location was in an old borrow pit east of Pine Tree Road about 0.5 km (0.3 mile) north of the top of the hill. The seeded area at this location was barren except for the pine seedlings.

The seed mixture broadcasted on the areas (April 1992) at these two locations was the same as the one given previously for the four selected locations in Section B (Table 3). Here the seeding was done without seed preparation or the application of fertilizer.

No cover measurements were taken in these areas, but visual estimates were made to evaluate the establishment of vegetation by broadcast seeding without seedbed preparation or the application of fertilizer in areas supporting pine seedlings.



Field observations (1992), in the seeded areas at the two locations East of Pine Tree Road, indicated that there was little or no establishment of the species included in the seed mixture. This was another indication that broadcast seeding without some type of seedbed preparation was ineffective for growth of seedlings.

Because of the observations made here and those mentioned previously concerning broadcast seeding without seedbed preparations, seeding operations after April 1992 were done by using a no-till seed drill or by broadcasting followed by tracking.

#### 5.6 Field Observations in Section B after April 1992

During the Site visits in 1992, regular inspections were made in Section B (May, June, and September) to evaluate the effectiveness of the soil erosion control structures installed and the revegetation methods employed in April 1992 (4.2 First Contract).

Plant litter and sediment on the up-slope side of the waterbars indicated that runoff was slowed and that water was retained by the waterbars.

Vegetation, mainly Bermuda Grass and Bahia Grass, became established in many sections of the terrace channels.

There was evidence of runoff flow through the silt fence as noted by the accumulation of litter and sediment on the up-slope side of the silt fence.

#### 5.7 Field Observations and Vegetational Monitoring of Uplands and Gentle Slopes in Sections C, D, and E

#### 5.7.1 Proem

The information discussed here refers to the January 1993 rehabilitation effort (4.3 Second Contract). During this rehabilitation effort, uplands and gentle slopes of less than 10% in Sections C, D, and E received limestone and fertilizer applications and were seeded.

#### 5.7.2 General Field Observations in 1993

Following the January 1993 seeding operations, there were several winter rains that apparently resulted in soil moistures that were ideal for the establishment and growth of the Cereal Rye into very thick stands. By June, the Cereal Rye was about 1 m (3.2 ft) tall, headed-out and mature. The seeded areas had the appearance of grain fields ready for harvest.

Fort Benning received below normal rainfall during the late spring and summer of 1993, hence the vegetation at the Site was under moisture stress for long periods. In areas with exposed subsoils, the Cereal Rye had very high densities, which probably prevented the establishment of other seeded species, because of shading by the Cereal Rye and its competition for soil moisture.

During the fall of 1993, there were a few small Bermuda Grass and Bahia Grass seedlings and an occasional Sericea Lespedza seedling becoming established in the drill rows of the seeded areas. In other areas that had some vegetational cover before the January 1993 seeding, the Cereal Rye stands were thinner, and there were generally more seedlings of other seeded species becoming established in drill rows. Probably, the near-normal rainfall during the late fall (1993) promoted germination of the seeded species.

By the summer of 1994, the litter of Cereal Rye was still very evident on areas seeded during January 1993 (Sections C, D, and E). Also, there were small Bahia Grass and Sericea Lespedeza plants still coming up in the drill rows (and elsewhere on the Site). Weeping Love Grass plants were evident in areas with sandy soils, and some of these plants had seed heads. On the other hand, the number of Bahia Grass, Sericea Lespedeza, and Weeping Love Grass plants appeared to be increasing with time, but generally Bermuda Grass was not observed on most seeded areas.

In reference to observations in the seeded areas of Sections C, D, and E, the dense stands of Cereal Rye followed by the drought during the summer of 1993 apparently had delayed the germination of some of the seeds of other species in the seed mixture until soil moisture conditions improved. These observations indicate that the seeding rate for Cereal Rye was too heavy, and the seeding rate of cover crops, such as Cereal Rye, in new seed applications should be reduced or omitted from of the seed mixture.

# 5.7.3 Vegetational Monitoring within the Seeded Areas of Sections C, D, and E

Six monitoring plots were established in the seeded areas to measure the effectiveness of the January 1993 seeding operations.

Three of the plots were established in areas that were barren (one plot in each Section); the other three plots were set up in areas that had some existing vegetation (one plot in each Section).

Each plot had three pairs of 10 m (32.8 ft) transects. One of transects of each pair received treatment (limestone, fertilizer, and seed mixture), while the other transect of each pair was used as a control. Thus, there were a total of 18 transects that were treated and 18 transects that were untreated (controls).

Agriculture limestone and fertilizer were applied to treated transects as described previously (4.3 Second Contract). In addition, the seed mixture and its application rate for the same transects are shown in Table 2.

Vegetational covers of the transects were measured using the point frame method (Chambers and Brown 1983). Field data were collected on five different dates: in July, September, and December 1993 and in April and May 1994.

Mean percent covers for eight categories calculated from field collected data are shown in Table 5.

 Table 5
 Mean Percent Cover for Exposed Soil and Six Vegetational Components on Five Dates in

 Reference to the January 1993 Seeding Operations in Sections C, D, and E of the Site

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Date	Treat- ment	na	Exposed Soil	Litter	Grass	Forb	Shrub	Vine	Pine	Cereal Rye	Total Vegetation ^b
July 1993	Seeded	15	43.3 (a) ^c	14.5 (a)	8.5 (a)	10.1 (a)	0.9 (a)	1.9 (a)	0.7 (a)	20.1 (a)	42.1 (a)
	Control	15	56.5 (a)	17.8 (a)	11.3 (a)	9.9 (a)	0.7 (a)	1.3 (a)	3.2 (a)	0.7 (b)	27.1 (b)
September	Seeded	<del>8</del> 8	47.1 (a)	29.0 (a)	11.3 (a)	11.1 (a)	0.7 (a)	0.2 (a)	0.7 (a)	0.0 (a)	23.9 (a)
1993	Control		54.8 (a)	12.3 (b)	15.8 (a)	14.3 (a)	1.2 (a)	0.2 (a)	1.4 (a)	0.0 (a)	32.8 (a)
December 1993	Seeded Control	41 18 18	47.0 (a) 55.4 (a)	39.9 (a) 33.1 (a)	7.6 (a) 6.5 (a)	0.9 (a) 1.2 (a)	0.1 (a) 0.6 (a)	0.7 (a) 0.8 (a)	3.0 (a) 2.6 (a)	0.9 (a) 0.1 (a)	13.1 (a) 11.7 (a)
April 1994	Seeded	18	39.4 (a)	37.0 (a)	12.1 (a)	6.3 (a)	0.7 (a)	1.3 (a)	2.3 (a)	0.9 (a)	23.6 (a)
	Control	18	52.9 (a)	20.2 (a)	12.1 (a)	8.6 (a)	1.4 (a)	1.3 (a)	3.4 (a)	0.0 (b)	26.8 (a)
May 1994	Seeded	18	9.4 (b)	55.2 (a)	15.7 (a)	10.1 (a)	1.8 (a)	1.1 (a)	4.1 (a)	2.7 (a)	35.4 (a)
	Control	18	36.3 (a)	26.6 (b)	18.2 (a)	9.2 (a)	2.7 (a)	1.0 (a)	5.9 (a)	0.0 (a)	37.1 (a)

Number of transects

^b Sum of grass, forb, shrub, vine, pine, and Cereal Rye covers.

^c Means for area, date, and cover category followed by the same letter [(a) or (b)] are not significantly different (P = 0.05) by Sidak's pairwise test.

The mean percent covers show that there was a reduction in the proportion of exposed soil on transects that were treated (limed, fertilized and seeded), but the difference was not statistically significant until May 1994.

Mean percent covers for litter were also consistently higher on the treated transects following the initial measurements made in July 1993.

Mean percent covers for all vegetational categories remain about the same throughout the monitoring period with the exception of the Cereal Rye. The initially high mean percent cover for Cereal Rye (seeded transects, July 1993) represented its standing crop. On subsequent dates, the Cereal Rye shoots are part of the litter category.

The lack of response in the grass and forb categories was probably due to the slow establishment of the seeded perennial plants. By May 1994, these plants were just becoming visible and if a point frame pin did not fall in a drill row, the presence of these species was not recorded.

As mentioned above, the information in Table 5 shows that there was a reduction in percent exposed soil as a result of the seeding efforts, and thus a reduction in the soil erosion potentials in seeded areas.

#### 5.8 Field Observations of Steep Slopes in Sections D and E

#### 5.8.1 Proem

This portion of the report refers to 55 ha (135 acre) of steep slopes in Areas D and E, which were limed, fertilized, and seeded in July, 1993 (paragraph 4.4, Third Contract). No plots were established to monitor the germination and development of seeded species on the steep slopes.

#### 5.8.2 Field Observations

By September (1993) the Browntop Millet was only a few inches tall when it headed out probably owing to the very dry conditions during the summer. Seedlings in drill rows of were evident on many of the barren slopes.

During the following April (1994) Weeping Love Grass and Sericea Lespedeza seedlings were the most prevalent of the seeded plants. Also, it was noted at this time that most of the grass seedlings were pale yellow-green, which indicated that they needed additional fertilizer for normal growth and development.

Almost one year after the seeding operations, May 1994, small grass and legume seedlings were observed in the drill rows. Seemingly, the drought following seeding operations had delayed germination of some of the seeds until soil moisture conditions improved. This indicates that it may take one or more growing seasons beyond the planting season for some seeded plants to become established.

### 5.9 Living Silt Fences

#### 5.9.1 Proem

One persistent problem at the Site (McKenna Hill Drop Zone) is the transport of sediment from the Site into adjacent areas.

Silt fences were constructed across washes along the Site boundary to reduce sediment outwash into adjacent areas. However, the silt fences became ineffective as they filled with sediment. At some locations, they were topped with sediments in less than one year.

A potential solution to this problem was to use tall native grasses as living silt fences in washes to reduce runoff water velocity and trap sediments.

#### 5.9.2 Selection and Planting of Native Plants for Field Trials

Five species were selected for preliminary living silt fence trials at the Site. They were as follows:

Giant Reed (*Arundo donax*); Marshhay Cord Grass (*Spartina patens*); Atlantic Coastal Panic Grass (*Panicum amarulum*); Eastern Grama Grass (*Tripsacum dactyloides*); and Alamo Switch Grass (*Panicum virgatum*).

Arrangements were made with the USDA Plant Materials Center in Americus, Georgia, to supply Giant Reed corms and Marshhay Cord Grass transplants. Atlantic Coastal Panic Grass and Eastern Grama Grass transplants were obtained from a horticultural supplier in Florida. Transplants of Alamo Switch Grass were not available, but seeds were used instead of transplants.

During a Site visit in April 1994, test plantings of each species were made in several active washes in Section D. For the four species with available transplants, these plantings were made with different spacing between transplants and in different patterns to evaluate survival of each species, the spread of each species, and the ability of each species to reduce runoff velocity and trap sediments. Seeds of Alamo Switch Grass were broadcast onto the test area.

#### 5.9.3 Field Observations in May 1994

In early May 1994, only five weeks after plantings, all Giant Reed corms were rooted and had reached average heights of about 0.5 m (2 ft). Also, many of the corms had produced several stalks.

The other transplanted species were alive, but no new growth of aerial shoots or rhizomes was observed. Furthermore, there was no evidence that the seeds of Alamo Switch Grass seed had germinated.

#### 5.9.4 Field Observations in July 1994

During the two months between early May and early July 1994, the Site received a total of about 610 mm (24 in.) of rainfall, which included rain from several intense storms. Even though this amount of rainfall was considerable, Site examinations made in early July (1994) found no evidence that the seeds of Alamo Switch Grass had germinated during the three and one-half months since they were planted.

Nearly 50% of the transplants of Eastern Grama Grass had survived in good condition. But the remaining transplants were generally only in fair condition even though one plant had a seed head.

About 60% of the transplants of Marshhay Cord Grass were still visible, whereas the surviving transplants were small and showed little or no signs of new growth.

Almost 90% of the transplants of Atlantic Coastal Panic Grass survived in good condition for the most part. Many transplants had new growth and two individuals had seed heads.

All the transplants of Giant Reed survived and most individual plants were developing new stalks. New shoots on several transplants were more than 1 m (3.3 ft) in height. There was evidence in the plot with transplants on 0.3-m (1-ft) centers that runoff was slowed and that trash and sediment were trapped by new aerial shoots of the Giant Reed.

#### 5.9.5 Field Observations in February 1995

A final Site inspection was conducted during February 1995; all plants at the living silt fence trails area appeared to be dormant. Two species, the Giant Reed and the Atlantic Coastal Panic Grass, were present and conspicuous at that time.

Based on almost one year of field observations, the four rows of Giant Reed, spaced on 0.3-m (1-ft) centers, appeared to be the most promising soil erosion control species in the watercourses.

Atlantic Coastal Panic Grass was the only other species in this evaluation that showed some promise, but the Giant Reed was far superior in this species evaluation.

Preliminary results here indicate that additional field testing, with additional species, should be conducted to evaluate the use of tall grasses as living silt fences to reduce runoff velocity and trap sediment.



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