

2022 PROGRESS REPORT

Quarter: (circle one) 2022 1st 2022 2nd 2022 3rd 2022 4th

Grant Program, Number and Title: RCN; GSA 00060 Habitat for Pollinators: Improving Management of Regionally Significant Xeric Grasslands, Barrens and Woodlands in the Northeast

Organization: Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Green Ridge State Forest (GRSF)

Project Leader: Jen Selfridge/Jesse Morgan

Abstract: Please provide a short (1-2 paragraphs) abstract that addresses EACH of the following: the objectives of your project, accomplishments to date, future plans and timelines with an estimate for when the project will be completed.

The objectives of this project are to increase pollinator habitat at the Slider Special Wildlife Habitat Area (Town Creek Site) in Green Ridge State Forest through reducing invasive species and cold season grasses and increasing the coverage of pollen and nectar plants. In 2021 we wrapped up bee and vegetation surveys but will continue managing the 2-acre pollinator meadow (Unit 8B). We also plan to manage the surrounding units if time and staff permit.

Were planned goals/objectives achieved last quarter? The pollinator meadow was not mowed due to the need for staff time other areas. Mowing will be postponed to the fall of 2022 since nectar plants are currently in bloom.

Progress Achieved: (For each Goal/Objective, list Planned and Actual Accomplishments) n/a

Difficulties Encountered: None.

Activities Anticipated Next Quarter: The pollinator meadow will be mowed in the fall of 2022 at the expense of GRSF. No additional activities are planned for this site for the remainder of the year.

Expected End Date: 31 October 2022

Costs: \$0

Total life to date expenses (include this quarter): \$10,837.97

Total Approved Budgeted Funds: \$43,560.00

Are you within the approved budget plan and categories? Yes

Signature:

Date: 10.26.2022