

## APPENDIX D

**RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING PLANT SPECIES  
for USE in GrSG HABITAT MANAGEMENT and RESTORATION  
(from MONSEN 2005)**

The content in the following tables is from Monsen (2005), but the format is in some cases altered from Monsen (2005). The tables are numbered for use in this appendix; the corresponding table numbers found in Monsen (2005) are provided in the table descriptions.

Table D-1. Ecological status, use index, competitiveness, seeding rates, and natural spread index of species adapted for seeding mountain brush and juniper-pinyon sites that receive over 15 – 20 in of annual precipitation (from Monsen, Stevens USDA, RMRS – GTR – 2004 in press). This is “Table 1” in Section II of Monsen (2005).

Species	Ecological Status <sup>a</sup>	Use index for:		Competitiveness <sup>b</sup> as a seedling, in the presence of:		Mature plant	Natural spread <sup>c</sup>
		Restoration Planting	Revegetation plantings	Maximum competition	Minimum competition		
<b>Grasses</b>							
Bluegrass, big	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	3
Bluegrass, Canada	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	3
Bluegrass, Sandberg	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Brome, mountain	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	5
Brome, nodding	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	5
Brome, Regar	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	ME	4
Brome, smooth, northern	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Brome, smooth, southern	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Fescue, Sulcata sheep	P,E,L	X		ME	EX	EX	3
Junegrass, prairie	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Mutongrass	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Needle-and-thread	P,E	X	X	ME	ME	EX	4
Needlegrass, green	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	3
Orchardgrass “Paiute”	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX	5
Ricegrass, Indian	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	3
Rye, mountain	P,E		X	EX	EX	PO	5
Squirreltail, bottlebrush	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	4
Trisetum, spike	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Wheatgrass, bluebunch	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	EX	3
Wheatgrass, fairway	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	3
Wheatgrass, standard	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	3
Wheatgrass, intermediate	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Wheatgrass, slender	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Wheatgrass, thickspike	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	4
Wheatgrass, western	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	4
<b>Forbs</b>							
Alfalfa (drought tolerant)	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	ME	3
Aster, blueleaf	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	EX	4
Aster, Pacific	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	EX	4
Balsamroot, arrowleaf	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2
Balsamroot, cutleaf	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2
Balsamroot, hairy	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2
Burnet, small	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	ME	4
Crownvetch	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	4
Eriogonum, cushion	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	3
Flax, Lewis	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	5
Goldeneye, showy	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	3
Goldenrod, Parry	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Helianthella, oneflower	P,E	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Lupine, Nevada	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2
Lupine, silky	E,L	X		PO	PO	ME	2
Lomatium, Nuttall	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Milkvetch, cicer	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	4

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Species	Ecological Status <sup>a</sup>	Use index for:		Competitiveness <sup>b</sup> as a seedling, in the presence of:		Mature plant	Natural spread <sup>c</sup>
		Restoration Planting	Revegetation plantings	Maximum competition	Minimum competition		
Penstemon, Eaton	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	ME	5
Penstemon, low	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	ME	5
Penstemon, Palmer	P,E	X	X	EX	EX	PO	5
Penstemon, Rocky Mtn.	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	PO	5
Penstemon, sidehill	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	5
Penstemon, thickleaf	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	5
Penstemon, toadflax	P,E,L	X		PO	ME	ME	5
Penstemon, Wasatch	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	ME	5
Sainfoin	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	4
Sage, Louisiana	P,E,L	X	X	PO	PO	ME	4
Sage, tarragon	P,E,L	X		PO	PO	ME	5
Salsify, vegetable	P,E		X	EX	EX	ME	5
Sweetvetch, Utah	P,E,L	X		PO	ME	ME	3
Yarrow, western	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
<b>Shrubs</b>							
Ash, singleleaf	P,E,L	X		PO	PO	ME	2
Bitterbrush, antelope	P,E,L	X	X	ME	EX	EX	4
Buckwheat, Wyeth	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	ME	4
Ceanothus, Martin	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	3
Chokecherry, black	P,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Cliffrose, Stansbury	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	3
Elderberry, blue	P,E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Ephedra, green	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2
Kochia, forage	P,E	X		EX	EX	ME	5
Mahogany, curlleaf	P,E	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Mahogany, true	E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Maple, Rocky Mountain	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2
Rabbitbrush, mountain rubber	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	5
Rabbitbrush, mountain and basin white stem rubber	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	5
Rose, Woods	P,E,L	X	X	PO	ME	EX	1
Sagebrush, mountain big	P,E,L	X	X	ME	EX	EX	4
Saltbush, fourwing	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	2
Serviceberry, Saskatoon	P,E,L	X	X	PO	PO	EX	2
Snowberry, longflower	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	1
Snowberry, mountain	P,E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	1
Squawapple	P,E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	1
Sumac, Rocky Mountain	P,E,L	X	X	PO	ME	EX	2
Sumac, skunkbush	P,E,L	X	X	PO	ME	EX	2
Winterfat	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	3
<b>Seeding Rate</b>							
Growth Form	Lbs/Acre <sup>d</sup>						
Grasses	4 - 7						
Forbs	5 - 6						
Shrubs	3 - 4						

<sup>a</sup> Species status: P = pioneer; E = early seral; L = late seral.

<sup>b</sup> Competitiveness rating: PO = poor competitor; ME = medium competitor; EX = excellent competitor; NC = noncomparable with other species.

<sup>c</sup> Natural spread: 1 = poor; 2 = fair; 3 = moderate; 4 = good; 5 = excellent.

<sup>d</sup> Drill rate—broadcast seeding requires 1/4 - 1/3 additional seed.

Table D-2. Ecological status, use index, competitiveness, and seeding rates of species adapted for seeding juniper-pinyon intermixed with mountain big sagebrush or black sagebrush sites that receive 11 - 15 in of annual precipitation. (From Monsen and Stevens RMRS - GTR - 2004. In press). This is "Table 4" in Section II of Monsen (2005).

Species	Ecological Status <sup>a</sup>	Use index for:		Competitiveness <sup>b</sup> as a seedling, in the presence of:		Mature plant	Natural spread <sup>c</sup>
		Restoration Planting	Revegetation plantings	Maximum competition	Minimum competition		
<b>Grasses</b>							
Bluegrass, big	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	3
Bluegrass, Canada	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	3
Bluegrass, Sandberg	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Brome, nodding	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Brome, Regar	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	4
Brome, smooth, southern	P,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Dropseed, sand	P,E,L	X		EX	ME	ME	4
Fescue, hard sheep	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	ME,NC	4
Fescue, Sulcata sheep	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	3
Grama, blue	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	4
Junegrass, prairie	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Mutongrass	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Needle-and-thread	P,E	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Needlegrass, green	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	3
Orchardgrass, "Paiute"	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX	5
Ricegrass, Indian	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	3
Rye, mountain	P,E		X	EX	EX	PO	5
Squirreltail, bottlebrush	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	4
Trisetum, spike	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Wheatgrass, bluebunch	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	3
Wheatgrass, fairway	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	3
Wheatgrass, standard	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	3
Wheatgrass, intermediate	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Wheatgrass, pubescent	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Wheatgrass, Siberian	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX	3
Wheatgrass, streambank	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	EX	4
Wheatgrass, thickspike	P,E,L	X	X	ME	EX	EX	4
Wheatgrass, western	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	4
Wildrye, Great Basin	E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Wildrye, Russian	P,E,L		X	PO	ME	EX	3
<b>Forbs</b>							
Alfalfa (drought tolerant)	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX	3
Aster, Pacific	P,E,L	X	X	PO	ME	ME	4
Balsamroot, arrowleaf	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2
Burnet, small	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	ME	4
Flax, Lewis	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	5
Globemallow, gooseberryleaf	E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	2
Goldeneye, showy	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	3
Penstemon, Palmer	P,E	X	X	EX	EX	PO	5
Sainfoin	E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	4
Salsify, vegetable	P,E		X	EX	EX	ME	4
Sweetvetch, Utah	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Yarrow, western	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
<b>Shrubs</b>							
Apache-plume	E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	3
Ash, singleleaf	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2

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Species	Ecological Status <sup>a</sup>	Use index for:		Competitiveness <sup>b</sup> as a seedling, in the presence of:		Mature plant	Natural spread <sup>c</sup>
		Restoration Planting	Revegetation plantings	Maximum competition	Minimum competition		
Bitterbrush, antelope	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	EX	4
Buckwheat, Wyeth	P,E,L	X	X	ME	EX	ME	4
Ceanothus, Fendler	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	3
Cliffrose, Stansbury	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2
Elder, blueberry	E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Ephedra, green	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2
Kochia, forage	P,E		X	EX	EX	ME	5
Mahogany, curlleaf	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2
Mahogany, littleleaf	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2
Mahogany, true	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2
Peachbrush, desert	L	X		PO	PO	EX	2
Rabbitbrush, mountain rubber	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	3
Rabbitbrush, mountain and basin white stem rubber	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	5
Sagebrush, basin big	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	5
Sagebrush, black	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	5
Sagebrush, mountain	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	4
Saltbush, fourwing	E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	2
Serviceberry, Saskatoon	P,E,L	X	X	PO	PO	EX	2
Serviceberry, Utah	E,L	X	X	PO	PO	EX	2
Snowberry, mountain	E,L	X	X	PO	PO	EX	2
Squawapple	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2
Sumac, Rocky Mountain smooth	E,L	X	X	PO	ME	EX	2
Sumac, skunkbush	E,L	X	X	PO	ME	EX	2
Winterfat	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	3

  

<b>Seeding Rate</b>	
Growth Form	Lbs/Acre <sup>d</sup>
Grasses	4 - 6
Forbs	4 - 6
Shrubs	3 - 4

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<sup>b</sup> Competitiveness rating: PO = poor competitor; ME = medium competitor; EX = excellent competitor; NC = noncomparable with other species.

<sup>c</sup> Natural spread: 1 = poor; 2 = fair; 3 = moderate; 4 = good; 5 = excellent.

<sup>d</sup> Drill rate—broadcast seeding requires 1/4 - 1/3 additional seed.

Table D-3. Ecological status, use index, competitiveness, seeding rate, and natural spread index of species adapted for seeding mountain big sagebrush sites receiving over 15 in annual precipitation. (From Monsen and Stevens RMRS - GTR - 2004. In press). This is "Table 5" in Section II of Monsen (2005).

Species	Ecological Status <sup>a</sup>	Use index for:		Competitiveness <sup>b</sup> as a seedling, in the presence of:		Mature plant	Natural spread <sup>c</sup>
		Restoration Planting	Revegetation plantings	Maximum competition	Minimum competition		
<b>Grasses</b>							
Bluegrass, big	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	3
Bluegrass, Canada	E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	3
Bluegrass, Sandberg	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Brome, Regar	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	ME	4
Brome, smooth, southern	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Dropseed, sand	P,E,L	X		EX	ME	ME	4
Fescue, hard	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	EX,NC	3
Fescue, Idaho	E,L	X		PO	ME	ME	3
Fescue, sheep	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	3
Galleta	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Grama, blue	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	4
Junegrass, prairie	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Mutongrass	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Needle-and-thread	P,E	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Needlegrass, green	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Needlegrass, Letterman	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Oatgrass, tall	P,E		X	ME	ME	ME	4
Orchardgrass, 'Paiute'	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX	5
Ricegrass, Indian	P,E,L	X		ME	EX	ME	3
Rye, Mountain	P,E		X	EX	EX	ME	5
Squirreltail, bottlebrush	P,E	X	X	EX	EX	ME	4
Wheatgrass, bluebunch	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	ME	3
Wheatgrass, fairway	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	3
Wheatgrass, standard	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	3
Wheatgrass, intermediate	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Wheatgrass, pubescent	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Wheatgrass, slender	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	ME	4
Wheatgrass, streambank	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Wheatgrass, thickspike	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	4
Wheatgrass, western	P,E,L	X	X	PO	ME	EX	4
Wildrye, Great Basin	E,L	X		PO	ME	ME	2
Wildrye, Salina	E,L,	X		PO	ME	EX	4
<b>Forbs</b>							
Agoseris, pale	P,E,L	X		EX	ME	ME	5
Alfalfa (drought tolerant)	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	ME	3
Aster, Pacific	P,E	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Balsamroot, arrowleaf	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2
Burnet, small	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	ME	4
Crownvetch	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	4
Hawksbeard, tapertip	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Flax, Lewis	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	5
Goldeneye, showy	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	PO	3
Lupine, mountain	E,L	X		PO	ME	ME	2
Lupine, silky	E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	2
Milkvetch, cicer	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	4
Penstemon, Eaton	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	ME	5

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Species	Ecological Status <sup>a</sup>	Use index for:		Competitiveness <sup>b</sup> as a seedling, in the presence of:		Mature plant	Natural spread <sup>c</sup>
		Restoration Planting	Revegetation plantings	Maximum competition	Minimum competition		
Penstemon, low	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX	5
Penstemon, Palmer	P,E	X		EX	EX	PO	5
Penstemon, Rocky Mtn	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	5
Penstemon, Wasatch	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	ME	5
Sainfoin	P,E		X	ME	ME	ME	5
Sweetvetch, Utah	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Trefoil, birdsfoot	P,E		X	ME	ME	ME	3
Yarrow, western	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	4
<b>Shrubs</b>							
Bitterbrush, antelope	P,E,L	X	X	ME	EX	EX	4
Buckwheat, sulfur	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Buckwheat, Wyeth	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Ceanothus, Martin	E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	3
Ceanothus, snowbush	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	3
Chokecherry, black	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2
Cliffrose, Stansbury	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2
Elderberry, blue	E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Ephedra, green	E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	2
Kochia, forage	P,E		X	ME	EX	ME	5
Mahogany, curlleaf	E,L	X	X	PO	ME	EX	2
Mahogany, true	E,L	X	X	PO	ME	EX	2
Rabbitbrush, mountain low	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	EX	5
Rabbitbrush, mountain rubber	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	EX	5
Rabbitbrush, mountain and basin white stem rubber	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	EX	5
Rose, Woods	E,L	X	X	PO	PO	EX	2
Sagebrush, low	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	ME	5
Sagebrush, mountain big	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	EX	5
Sagebrush, silver	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	ME	5
Saltbush, fourwing	P,E	X	X	ME	ME	ME	2
Serviceberry, Saskatoon	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2
Snowberry, mountain	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2
Squawapple	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2
Sumac, skunkbush	E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Sumac, Rocky Mountain smooth	E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
<b>Seeding Rate</b>							
<b>Precipitation</b>							
<b>Growth form</b>		<b>12 - 17 inches</b>		<b>17+ inches</b>			
		Lbs/Acre <sup>d</sup>					
Grasses		4 - 6		4 - 5			
Forbs		4 - 6		3 - 5			
Shrubs		3 - 4		3 - 4			

<sup>a</sup> Species status: P = pioneer; E = early seral; L = late seral.

<sup>b</sup> Competitiveness rating: PO = poor competitor; ME = medium competitor; EX = excellent competitor; NC = noncomparable with other species.

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<sup>d</sup> Drill rate—broadcast seeding requires 1/4 - 1/3 additional seed.

Table D-3. Ecological status, use index, competitiveness, seeding rate, and natural spread index of species adapted for seeding silver sagebrush, timberline sagebrush, and subalpine big sagebrush sites. (From Monsen and Stevens RMRS - GTR - 2004. In press). This is "Table 6" in Section II of Monsen (2005).

Species	Ecological Status <sup>a</sup>	Use index for:		Competitiveness <sup>b</sup> as a seedling, in the presence of:		Mature plant	Natural spread <sup>c</sup>
		Restoration Planting	Revegetation plantings	Maximum competition	Minimum competition		
<b>Grasses</b>							
Barley, meadow	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	4
Bluegrass, big	E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Bluegrass, Canada	E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	4
Brome, meadow	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	4
Brome, mountain	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	EX	5
Brome, nodding	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	EX	5
Brome, smooth, northern	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Brome, smooth, southern	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	EX	5
Brome, subalpine	E,L		X	ME	EX	EX,NC	5
Fescue, hard sheep	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	EX,NC	3
Fescue, sheep	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX,NC	3
Foxtail, creeping	P,E,L		X	ME	EX	EX	5
Foxtail, meadow	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	EX	5
Needlegrass, green	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Needlegrass, Letterman	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	3
Oatgrass, tall	P,E		X	ME	EX	ME	5
Orchardgrass	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	ME	5
Hair-grass, tufted	P,E	X	X	PO	ME	ME	5
Sedge, ovalhead	P,E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Timothy	P,E		X	EX	EX	PO	5
Timothy, alpine	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	ME	5
Wheatgrass, slender	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	4
<b>Forbs</b>							
Alfalfa (non-irrigated type)	P,E		X	EX	EX	ME	3
<sup>o</sup> Aster, blueleaf	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	4
Aster, Englemann	P,E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	4
Crownvetch	E,L		X	ME	ME	EX	4
Geranium, sticky and Richardson	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	4
Goldeneye, showy	P,E	X		ME	EX	EX	3
Goldenrod, Canada	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	4
Groundsel, butterweed	P,E	X		PO	ME	EX	4
Lupine, mountain	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2
Lupine, silky	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2
Milkvetch, cicer	E,L		X	ME	EX	ME	4
Penstemon, Eaton	P,E	X	X	ME	ME	ME	5
Penstemon, low	P,E	X	X	ME	ME	ME	5
Penstemon, Rocky Mountain	P,E	X	X	ME	ME	ME	5
Penstemon, Wasatch	P,E	X	X	ME	ME	EX	5
Sage, Louisiana	P,E	X	X	ME	ME	PO	5
Sainfoin	E		X	ME	EX	ME	4
Sweetanise	E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Yarrow, western	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
<b>Shrubs</b>							
Chokecherry, black	E,L		X	X	PO	PO	EX
							2

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Table D-3. Ecological status, use index, competitiveness, seeding rate, and natural spread index of species adapted for seeding silver sagebrush, timberline sagebrush, and subalpine big sagebrush sites. (From Monsen and Stevens RMRS - GTR - 2004. In press). This is "Table 6" in Section II of Monsen (2005).

Species	Ecological Status <sup>a</sup>	Use index for:		Competitiveness <sup>b</sup> as a seedling, in the presence of:		Mature plant	Natural spread <sup>c</sup>
		Restoration Planting	Revegetation plantings	Maximum competition	Minimum competition		
Cinquefoil, bush	E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	2
Elderberry, red	L	X	X	PO	ME	EX	2
Rabbitbrush, mountain low	P,E	X	X	ME	ME	ME	5
Sagebrush, silver	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	5
Sagebrush, timberline	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	5
Snowberry, mountain	P,E,L	X	X	PO	PO	EX	5

  

<b>Seeding Rate</b>	
Growth Form	Lbs/Acre <sup>d</sup>
Grasses	4 - 5
Forbs	3 - 4
Shrubs	3 - 4

<sup>a</sup> Species status: P = pioneer; E = early seral; L = late seral.

<sup>b</sup> Competitiveness rating: PO = poor competitor; ME = medium competitor; EX = excellent competitor; NC = noncomparable with other species.

<sup>c</sup> Natural spread: 1 = poor; 2 = fair; 3 = moderate; 4 = good; 5 = excellent.

<sup>d</sup> Drill rate—broadcast seeding requires 1/4 - 1/3 additional seed.

Table D-4. Ecological status, use index, competitiveness, seeding rate, and natural spread index of species adapted for seeding basin big sagebrush sites. (From Monsen and Stevens RMRS – GTR - 2004. In press). This is “Table 7” in Section II of Monsen (2005).

Species	Ecological Status <sup>a</sup>	Use index for:		Competitiveness <sup>b</sup> as a seedling, in the presence of:		Mature plant	Natural spread <sup>c</sup>
		Restoration Planting	Revegetation plantings	Maximum competition	Minimum competition		
<b>Grasses</b>							
Bluegrass, Sandberg	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Dropseed, sand	P,E,L	X		EX	ME	ME	4
Fescue, hard sheep	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	EX,NC	3
Fescue, Idaho	E,L	X		PO	ME	ME	3
Fescue, sheep	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Galleta	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Grama, blue	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Needle-and-thread	P,E	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Needlegrass, Thurber	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	4
Orchardgrass, ‘Paiute’	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	ME	5
Ricegrass, Indian	P,E,L	X		ME	EX	EX	3
Rye, mountain	P,E		X	EX	EX	ME	5
Squirreltail, bottlebrush	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	4
Trisetum, spike	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Wheatgrass, bluebunch	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	3
Wheatgrass, fairway	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	3
Wheatgrass, standard	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	3
Wheatgrass, intermediate	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Wheatgrass, pubescent	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Wheatgrass, Siberian	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	3
Wheatgrass, streambank	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Wheatgrass, tall	P,E		X	ME	ME	ME	2
Wheatgrass, thickspike	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	4
Wheatgrass, western	P,E,L	X	X	PO	ME	EX	4
Wildrye, Great Basin	E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Wildrye, Russian	P,E,L		X	PO	ME	EX	2
<b>Forbs</b>							
Agoseris, pale	P,E,L	X		EX	ME	ME	5
Alfalfa (drought tolerant)	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	ME	3
Aster, Pacific	P,E	X	X	ME	ME	ME	4
Burnet, small	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	ME	4
Flax, Lewis	P,E,L	X	X	ME	EX	ME	5
Goldeneye, showy	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	PO	3
Globemallow Gooseberryleaf and scarlet	E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	2
Hawksbeard, tapertip	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Lupine, Nevada	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2
Penstemon, Eaton	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	ME	5
Penstemon, low	P,E,L	X		EX	EX	EX	5
Penstemon, Palmer	P,E	X	X	EX	EX	PO	5
Salsify, vegetable	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Sweetvetch, Utah	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Yarrow, western	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	4
<b>Shrubs</b>							
Bitterbrush, antelope	P,E,L	X		ME	EX	EX	4
Ephedra, green	E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Hopsage, spiny	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2

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Table D-4. Ecological status, use index, competitiveness, seeding rate, and natural spread index of species adapted for seeding basin big sagebrush sites. (From Monsen and Stevens RMRS – GTR - 2004. In press). This is “Table 7” in Section II of Monsen (2005).

Species	Ecological Status <sup>a</sup>	Use index for:		Competitiveness <sup>b</sup> as a seedling, in the presence of:		Mature plant	Natural spread <sup>c</sup>
		Restoration Planting	Revegetation plantings	Maximum competition	Minimum competition		
Kochia, forage	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	ME	5
Rabbitbrush, mountain low	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	5
Rabbitbrush, mountain and basin white stem rubber	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	5
Sagebrush, basin big	P,E,L	X	X	ME	EX	EX	5
Sagebrush, Wyoming big	P,E,L	X		ME	EX	EX	4
Sagebrush, low	P,E,L	X		ME	EX	EX	5
Saltbush, fourwing	E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	2
Winterfat	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	3

  

Seeding Rate	Precipitation	
Growth form	9-13 inches	13+ inches
Lbs/Acre <sup>d</sup>		
Grasses	4 - 5	4 - 5
Forbs	4 - 5	5 - 6
Shrubs	3 - 4	4 - 5

<sup>a</sup> Species status: P = pioneer; E = early seral; L = late seral.

<sup>b</sup> Competitiveness rating: PO = poor competitor; ME = medium competitor; EX = excellent competitor; NC = noncomparable with other species.

<sup>c</sup> Natural spread: 1 = poor; 2 = fair; 3 = moderate; 4 = good; 5 = excellent.

<sup>d</sup> Drill rate—broadcast seeding requires 1/4 - 1/3 additional seed.

Table D-5. Ecological status, use index, competitiveness, seeding rate, and natural spread index of species adapted for seeding Wyoming big sagebrush sites. (From Monsen and Stevens RMRS-GTR - 2004. In press). This is "Table 8" in Section II of Monsen (2005).

Species	Ecological Status <sup>a</sup>	Use index for:		Competitiveness <sup>b</sup> as a seedling, in the presence of:		Mature plant	Natural spread <sup>c</sup>
		Restoration Planting	Revegetation plantings	Maximum competition	Minimum competition		
<b>Grasses</b>							
Bluegrass, Sandberg	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	4
Dropseed, sand	P,E,L	X	X	EX	ME	EX	4
Fescue, hard sheep	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	EX	3
Fescue, Idaho	P,E,L	X		PO	ME	ME	3
Galleta	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Grama, blue	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	4
Needle-and-thread	P,E	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Needlegrass, Thurber	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	4
Ricegrass, Indian	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	3
Rye, mountain	P,E		X	EX	EX	ME	5
Squirreltail, bottlebrush	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	EX	4
Trisetum, spike	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	3
Wheatgrass, bluebunch	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX	3
Wheatgrass, fairway	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	3
Wheatgrass, standard	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	3
Wheatgrass, pubescent	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	5
Wheatgrass, Siberian	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	EX,NC	3
Wheatgrass, streambank	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Wheatgrass, thickspike	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	4
Wheatgrass, western	P,E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	4
Wildrye, Great Basin	E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Wildrye, Russian	P,E,L		X	PO	ME	EX	3
Wildrye, Salina	E,L	X	X	ME	ME	EX	4
<b>Forbs</b>							
Agoseris, pale	P,E,L	X		EX	ME	ME	5
Alfalfa	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	PO	3
Alfileria	P,E		X	EX	EX	ME	5
Balsamroot, arrowleaf	E,L	X		ME	ME	EX	2
Burnet, small	P,E,L		X	ME	ME	PO	4
Flax, Lewis	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	PO	5
Goldeneye, showy	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	PO	3
Globemallow, gooseberryleaf	E,L	X	X	PO	ME	EX	2
Globemallow, scarlet	E,L	X	X	PO	ME	EX	2
Hawksbeard, tapertip	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
Lupine, Nevada	E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	2
Penstemon, littlecup	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	5
Penstemon, low	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	5
Penstemon, Palmer	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	PO	5
Yarrow	P,E,L	X		ME	ME	ME	4
<b>Shrubs</b>							
Ephedra, green	E,L	X		PO	PO	PO	2
Hopsage, spiny	E,L	X		PO	ME	EX	2
Kochia, forage	P,E,L		X	EX	EX	ME	5
Peachbrush, desert	E,L	X		PO	PO	EX	2

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Table D-5. Ecological status, use index, competitiveness, seeding rate, and natural spread index of species adapted for seeding Wyoming big sagebrush sites. (From Monsen and Stevens RMRS-GTR - 2004. In press). This is "Table 8" in Section II of Monsen (2005).

Species	Ecological Status <sup>a</sup>	Use index for:		Competitiveness <sup>b</sup> as a seedling, in the presence of:		Mature plant	Natural spread <sup>c</sup>
		Restoration Planting	Revegetation plantings	Maximum competition	Minimum competition		
Rabbitbrush, mountain low	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	ME	5
Rabbitbrush, mountain and basin white stem rubber	P,E,L	X	X	EX	EX	EX	5
Saltbush, fourwing	E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	2
Winterfat	P,E,L	X	X	ME	ME	ME	3

  

<b>Seeding Rate</b>	
Growth Form	Lbs/Acre <sup>d</sup>
Grasses	5 – 6
Forbs	4 – 5
Shrubs	2 – 3

<sup>a</sup> Species status: P = pioneer; E = early seral; L = late seral.

<sup>b</sup> Competitiveness rating: PO = poor competitor; ME = medium competitor; EX = excellent competitor; NC = noncomparable with other species.

<sup>c</sup> Natural spread: 1 = poor; 2 = fair; 3 = moderate; 4 = good; 5 = excellent.

<sup>d</sup> Drill rate—broadcast seeding requires 1/4 - 1/3 additional seed.

Table D-6: Food and cover value for sage-grouse. This is “Appendix I” in Monsen (2005).

<b>FORBS</b>			
<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>	<b>Cover Value<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Food Value<sup>1</sup></b>
Western yarrow	<i>Achillea millefolium</i>		
False dandelion	<i>Agoseris glauca</i>		
Everlasting	<i>Antennaria spp.</i>		
Pacific aster	<i>Aster chilensis</i>		
Blueleaf aster	<i>A. glaucodes</i>		
Hairy balsamroot	<i>Balsamorhiza hookeri</i>		
Cutleaf balsamroot	<i>B. macrophylla</i>		
Arrowleaf balsamroot	<i>B. sagittata</i>		
Sego lily	<i>Calochortus spp.</i>		
Indian paintbrush	<i>Castilleja spp.</i>		
Tiny trumpet	<i>Collomia linearis</i>		
Hawksbeard	<i>Crepis spp.</i>		
Fleabane	<i>Erigeron spp.</i>		
Sulfur eriogonum	<i>E. umbellatum</i>		
Wyeth eriogonum	<i>Eriogonum hereleoides</i>		
Prairiesmoke	<i>Gayophytum spp.</i>		
Curlcup gumweed	<i>Grindelia squarrosa</i>		
Utah sweetvetch	<i>Hedysarum boreale</i>		
Prickley lettuce	<i>Lactuca serriola</i>		
Pea	<i>Lathyrus spp.</i>		
Pepperweed	<i>Lepidium spp.</i>		
Gilia	<i>Linanthus spp.</i>		
Lewis flax	<i>Linum perenne</i>		
Desertparsley	<i>Lomatium spp.</i>		
Lupine	<i>Lupinus spp.</i>		
Alfalfa	<i>Medicago sativa</i>		
Monkey flower	<i>Minulus spp.</i>		
Broomrape	<i>Orobanche spp.</i>		
Firecracker penstemon	<i>Penstemon eatonii</i>		
Palmer penstemon	<i>P. palmeri</i>		
Phlox	<i>Phlox spp.</i>		
Cinquefoil	<i>Potentilla spp.</i>		
Small burnet	<i>Sanqisorba minor</i>		
Groundsel	<i>Senecio spp.</i>		
Globemallow	<i>Sphaeralcea spp.</i>		

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<b>FORBS</b>			
<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>	<b>Cover Value<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Food Value<sup>1</sup></b>
Common dandelion	<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>		
Salsify	<i>Tragopogon spp.</i>		
Clover	<i>Trifolium spp.</i>		
<b>GRASSES</b>			
Thickspike wheatgrass	<i>Agropyron dasystachyum</i>		-
Standard/desert wheatgrass	<i>A. desertorum</i>		-
Intermediate wheatgrass	<i>A. intermedium</i>		-
Fairway crested wheatgrass	<i>A. cristatum</i>		-
Siberian crested wheatgrass	<i>A. fragile</i>		-
Western wheatgrass	<i>A. smithii</i>		-
Bluebunch wheatgrass	<i>A. spicatum</i>		-
Slender wheatgrass	<i>A. trachycaulum</i>		-
Blue gramma	<i>Bouteloua gracilis</i>		-
Mountain brome	<i>Bromus carinatus</i>		-
Smooth brome	<i>B. inermus</i>		-
Orchard grass	<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>		-
Great Basin wildrye	<i>Elymus cinereus</i>		-
Russian wildrye	<i>E. junceus</i>		-
Junegrass	<i>Koeleria macrantha</i>		-
Indian ricegrass	<i>Oryzopsis hymenoides</i>		-
Mutton bluegrass	<i>Poa fendleriana</i>		-
Sandberg bluegrass	<i>P. secunda</i>		-
Squirretail	<i>Sitanion hystrix</i>		-
Sand dropseed	<i>Sporobolus cryptandrus</i>		-
Needle-and-threadgrass	<i>Stipa comata</i>		-
Green needlegrass	<i>S. lettermanii</i>		-

Table D-6: Food and cover value for sage-grouse. This is “Appendix I” in Monsen (2005).

SHRUBS			
Common Name	Scientific Name	Cover Value <sup>1</sup>	Food Value <sup>1</sup>
Saskatoon serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i>		-
Utah serviceberry	<i>A. utahensis</i>		-
Low sagebrush	<i>Artemesia arbuscula</i>		
Silver sagebrush	<i>A. cana</i>		
Black sagebrush	<i>A. nova</i>		
Basin big sagebrush	<i>A. tridentata ssp. tridentata</i>		
Mountain big sagebrush	<i>A. t. spp. vaseyana</i>		
Wyoming big sagebrush	<i>A. t. spp. wyomingensis</i>		
Fourwing saltbush	<i>Atriplex canescens</i>		-
Shadscale	<i>A. confertifolia</i>		-
Rubber rabbitbrush	<i>Chrysothamnus nauseosus</i>		-
Winterfat	<i>Ceratoides lanata</i>		
Chokecherry	<i>Prunus virginiana</i>		-
Antelope bitterbrush	<i>Purshia tridentata</i>		-
Mountain snowberry	<i>Symphoricarpos oreophilus</i>		-

<sup>1</sup>- No value

Low

Low-Medium

Medium

Medium-High

High