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Centrality indices provide a tool to allow land managers and ecologists to objectively determine the contribution of particular plants to overall community structure and function. Cusser and Goodell found that plants cultivated as part of the restoration effort in an Ohio reclaimed strip mine were preferred by pollinators compared to volunteer plants. Photo Credit: Sarah Cusser.

Back Cover Features:

Top: Responses of herpetofaua to prescribed burning. Wood frog (*Lithobates sylvaticus*). Photo Credit: Victoria Schneider

Middle: Restoration of the threatened species, Spalding's Catchfly (*Silene spaldingii*), was more successful when seedlings were grown in 25 cm depth conetainers. Photo Credit: Peter Lesica

Bottom: Successful reestablishment of macroinvertebrate communities following restoration of a northeast Iowa stream. Photo Credit: Kirk Larsen

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