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SYMPOSIA

* RESTORATION ON SURFACE-MINED LANDS - A worldwide perspective on the ecological restoration of mined land, with particular attention given to recent efforts on Florida's phosphate mines. Wetland restoration standards will be explored with respect to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

* RESTORATION IN THE THIRD WORLD TROPICS - Case studies of tropical restoration projects focusing on needs assessments and the special technical, logistical, and socio-economic aspects of implementing restoration projects in the Third World.

* THE ROLE OF RESTORATION IN NATIONAL FORESTS - Old-growth and other timber management issues have stimulated within the US Forest Service a "new perspectives" movement which favors sustainable ecosystem management in national forests. This symposium will discuss the compatibility of this movement with ecological restoration concepts and will explore the overriding issues of implementing restoration practices on public lands.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS - Programs being planned include "Volunteerism in Restoration," "Restoration as a Performing Art," and a discussion of the limits of restoration and its relationship to other forms of land stewardship. Additional suggestions are welcome.

SPECIAL EVENT - The world's first-ever "Concert of Ecological Restoration Songs" will be a gala "happening".

EXHIBITS - Plenty of space for exhibitions is available. Contact SER at address below for more information.

FIELD TRIPS - Pre-conference visits to Everglades National Park and the Kissimmee River. Post-conference trips to pine scrub, longleaf pine, sandhill and other restoration sites.

CALL FOR PAPERS/POSTERS

The Society invites submission of abstracts of papers/posters dealing with all aspects of ecological restoration. Special consideration will be given to papers directly related to the special sessions announced above, but papers dealing with any aspect of restoration are welcome. These may include political, regulatory, social, economic and philosophical, as well as scientific and technical aspects.

Notification of acceptance for presentation will be made within one month following the submission deadline.

Contributions accepted for presentation will also be considered for publication in the journal "Restoration & Management Notes" or in book, monograph or other form. Those authors will be notified of this decision and advised as to manuscript format.

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For abstract forms write or phone the SER office (608)262-9547.


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The editor welcomes articles and notes dealing with:
1. Basic and applied research, including notices of new, ongoing projects, or completed research projects.
2. New and/or continuing restoration projects.
3. Questions, problems, suggestions related to all aspects of restoration.
4. Publications (including books), legislation, and other events related to restoration.
5. Comments on articles appearing in the journal or on other matters pertaining to restoration generally.

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Experiments with Seed-Grown Prairie Forb Sod

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We used a modified sodding technique to determine the necessary seeding rates to produce satisfactory prairie forb sods from seeds. Initially, we sowed seeds onto the surface of a soilless substrate, internally layered with cheesecloth as a root binder, allowing them to germinate under an intermittent mist. After 10 weeks, we evaluated sod stability (percent cover, plant quality and root growth). From the plants tested we determined that the seed rates required to establish satisfactory sods were as follows: butterfly weed (Asclepias tuberosa) [88.0 kg/ha]; purple coneflower (Echinacea purpurea) [110.0]; dense blazingstar (Liatris spicata) [214.0]; prairie coneflower (Ratibida columnaris) [27.0]; and black-eyed Susan (Rudbeckia hirta) [3.6].

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