Plant Propagation Protocol for Carex deweyanna Schwein.

ESRM 412 – Native Plant Production

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TAXONOMY		
Plant Family		
Scientific Name	Cyperaceae (1)	
Common Name	Sedge	
Species Scientific		
Name		
Scientific Name	Carex deweyana Schwein	
Varieties	Carex deweyana Schwein var. deweyana	
	Carex deweyana Schwein var. collectanea Fernald	
Sub-species		
Cultivar		
Common Synonym(s)		
Common Name(s)	Dewey's sedge (1), Short-scale sedge (7)	
Species Code	CADE9	
	GENERAL INFORMATION	
Geographical range	National distribution	

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	WA distribution		
	Note: See "Other Comments," below.		
Ecological distribution	Open, alluvial forest, stream banks, and clearings (3), in at least		
	partial shade (7). Widespread through North America and Eastern		
	Asia (2)		
Climate and elevation	From near sea-level to the alpine ecosystem tree line (7).		
range			
Local habitat and	Often found with Fraxinus latifolia, Symphoricarpus albus, Carex		
abundance	obnupta, Alnus rubra.		
Plant strategy type /	n/a		
successional stage			
Plant characteristics	Grass-like (7) perennial herb (8). Blooms May-July (8).		
	PROPAGATION DETAILS		
	All propagation details from (2)		
Ecotype	n/a		
Propagation Goal	Plants		
Propagation Method	Seeds		
Product Type	Container (plug)		
Stock Type Time to Grow	160 ml conetainer seedling 11 months		
Target Specifications	6 to 10 true leaves with a height of 15 cm. Firm plug in conetainer.		
Propagule Collection Instructions	Collect seeds in late August when perigynia are tan and easily stripped from inflorescence. Collect seeds in paper bags and store in		
IIISU UCUOIIS	drying shed before cleaning.		
Propagule	Hand rub and screen the seeds. Seeds have non-deep physiological		
Processing/Propagule	dormancy.		
Characteristics	Seeds/kg: 220,000		
	% Purity: 100%		
	% Germination: 40%		
Pre-Planting Propagule	The seeds should be stratified for 5 months in outdoor, cold, moist		

Treatments	conditions. Recommendation for this species is a minimum of cold, moist stratification under fluctuating temperatures.
Growing Area Preparation / Annual Practices for Perennial Crops	Grow in an outdoor facility.
	Seeds are sown directly to the surface.
	Use 6:1:1 milled sphagnum peat, perlite, and vermiculite with Osmocote controlled release fertilizer (13N:13P2O5:13K2O; 8 to 9 month release rate at 21C) and Micromax fertilizer (12%S, 0.1%B, 0.5%Cu, 12%Fe, 2.5%Mn, 0.05%Mo, 1%Zn) at the rate of 1 gram of Osmocote and 0.20 gram of Micromax per conetainer.
	Fill and sow conetainers in fall and irrigate thoroughly before winter stratification. Irrigate in early morning until conetainers are thoroughly leached.
	Growing season of nursery is late April until October 15 th .
Establishment Phase Details	Keep medium slightly moist during germination. Initial germination occurred 2 weeks of temperatures at or above 22C. 2 to 4 true leaves were evident 3 weeks after germination.
Length of Establishment Phase	4 weeks.
Active Growth Phase	Following germination, root and shoot developments is rapid. Plants were occasionally fertilized with 20-20-20 liquid NPK at 100 ppm during growing season. Plants were fully root tight 10 weeks after germination.
Length of Active Growth Phase	10 weeks.
Hardening Phase	Fertilize plants with 10-20-20 liquid NPK at 200 ppm in August and September. Gradually reduce irrigation in September and October. Plants were given one final irrigation prior to winterization.
Length of Hardening Phase	8 weeks.
Harvesting, Storage and	Total time to harvest: 11 months.
Shipping	Harvest in September.
	Overwinter in outdoor nursery, under insulating foam cover and snow.
Length of Storage	5 months.
Guidelines for Outplanting / Performance on Typical Sites	Outplant in the fall.
Other Comments	Wilson (5) says "Until recently, <i>C. deweyana</i> was considered very common in moist forest but now it has been split into four PNW species. <i>Carex deweyana</i> as now understood is a northern species occurring in the PNW only in mountains of N WA" The other species are <i>C. bolanderi</i> , <i>C. infiminervia</i> , and <i>C. leptopoda</i> . Wilson says <i>C. leptopoda</i> is "the most common sedge of moist conifer forest

	in WA"	
	Cooke (6) says C. deweyana occurs "in all counties in our region"	
	and does not list any of the other species above.	
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