

## High School Nurseries Program

Grants and In-Kind Funding: \$5,960

Partners: BLM-Coos Bay, Powers High School Native Species Center, Bandon High School Go Native Nursery, Wild Rivers Coast Alliance, CWA Council Volunteers



Bandon High School



Powers High School



The Go Native Project at Bandon High School and the Powers High School Native Species Center came together because educators felt there were cultural and scientific reasons to connect young people to the native plants that surround our communities, and, currently, there are very few native plants available for wholesale purchase in the areas of Coos and Curry counties.

The programs obtain seedlings (usually donated) and other young starts, then students care for them for 1-3 years. They are then purchased for riparian/wetland projects and/or given away to the public on native species days. The nurseries have been awarded contracts and hope to become self-sustaining, and they will also serve as a supplier for all of the area's citizens for beautifying and improving landscapes, attracting pollinators, creating habitat and many other benefits. Previous funding was secured for a greenhouse and supplies, this year's funding was used to purchase items including water systems, tubes, tanks, racks, pots, trays, sand, soil, lumber and hand tools.