HUMAN INFLUENCES such as invasive species, altered wildfire regimes, and extreme weather events are negatively affecting our native plant communities and the many species that depend upon them. Our ability to repair these damaged lands and stem the loss of cultural and economic benefits to society depends upon appropriate seed, research, decision tools, and public support for ecological restoration. Through collaboration and communication, we can more effectively manage public lands and protect our valuable natural resources.

THE NATIONAL SEED STRATEGY fosters interagency collaboration to guide the development, availability, and use of seed needed for timely and effective restoration. The Strategy includes four goals, with associated objectives and initial actions (2015-2020) to improve seed supplies for restoring healthy and productive native plant communities of America’s iconic landscapes.

**Goal 1**
Create a nationwide network that provides the seed needed for effective ecological restoration efforts

**Goal 2**
Identify research needs to develop genetically appropriate seed with improved technology for seed production and restoration

**Goal 3**
Provide managers with research based tools to make informed decisions about selecting and using appropriate seed for ecological restoration

**Goal 4**
Develop communication strategies for agency personnel and the general public

WHO IS INVOLVED?
The Strategy was developed through the Plant Conservation Alliance Federal Committee, currently chaired by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service with representatives from 12 federal agencies.