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The Bismarck Plant Materials Center (PMC) has an active program of providing conservation technical assistance to American Indian partners in Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota. Many native plant species have traditional uses that are culturally significant to American Indians. The attached four-page document, *Tribal Conservation Technical Assistance*, identifies primary activities and provides information on requesting assistance. The format is designed for each State to use the first page together with its applicable section as a stand-alone document. NRCS Tribal coordinator contacts are listed for each State. Also attached is a one-page document highlighting plant materials program accomplishments with American Indian partners in 2007.

We are pleased with the cooperative efforts between our agency and American Indian Tribal and community cooperators. Please distribute this information to others who may be interested in Tribal conservation technical assistance available through the NRCS Plant Materials Program. For more information, contact the tribal coordinator offices located in your area.

/s/

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Attachment

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