

**Adopt-A-Flat Program
UC Davis Putah Creek Riparian Reserve
and the Putah Creek Council**

Planting The Seeds

- Fill each cell of the flat with potting soil, to about ¼ inch below the top of each cell.
- Sprinkle seed evenly across the flat.
- Cover the seed with no more than ¼ inch of potting soil.
- Gently water the flat, making sure not to wash out the newly planted seed.

Caring For The Flat

Keep the soil moist, and place the flat in a partly sunny location between October and November. In December and January, you can move the flat into full sun. The seeds should germinate within 2 weeks. You will see slender, green grass shoots coming up from each cell of the flat. Keep the grasses trimmed to about 3 to 4 inches in height.

Planting The Grasses

There will be two planting events, between January and March, along Putah Creek on the UC Davis Riparian Reserve. The native grasses you grow will be planted within a 12-acre native grassland restoration area. The plugs will be planted on slopes, which are too steep for broadcast or drill seeding, so your plugs will help complete the project!

The Seed Mix Includes: Purple Needlegrass (*Nassella pulchra*), Creeping Wildrye (*Leymus triticoides*), Squirrel Tail (*Elymus multisetus*), Meadow Barley (*Hordeum brachyantherum*), Blue Wildrye (*Elymus glaucus*), Slender Wheatgrass (*Elymus trachycaulus*)