

**THICKET OF DIVERSITY  
TAXA WORKING GROUP PROGRESS REPORT**

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**Please indicate report period (  ): Quarterly**  **Semi-Annual**  **Annual**  **Final**

**DATE OF REPORT:**     December 3, 2007    

**REPORT THE FOLLOWING:**

- **Number of hours in the Field:**     24
- **Number of volunteer hours in the Field:**     80
- **Collecting Sites/ Units:**     16 sites in 9 units
- **Number of species collected:**     unknown (more than 100)
- **Number of new to the Preserve:**     unknown (but several for sure)

**Comments: (attach additional comments on separate sheet)**

We have made excellent progress with two major plant collecting trips over the past year. We have collected 1200+ specimens from 16 sites throughout the BTNP. I have involved 2 graduate students and two undergraduates in this work on these trips. The collected specimens have been “processed” into herbarium research specimens and labels prepared for all. We are now working on initial identifications using standard microscopic techniques and thin layer chromatographic analysis. I have scheduled a January 5-6, 2008, workshop for interested folks at Saratoga with the intention of enlisting additional, trained, field volunteers in the effort. An additional trip to the BTNP will take place in the late spring.

**Signature**     Robert S. Egan    

**Date**     December 3, 2007    

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THICKET OF DIVERSITY TAXA WORKING GROUP**

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Date December 3, 2007

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Write Check to: **University of Nebraska at Omaha**

Mail to: **Dr. Robert S. Egan, Department of Biology, University of Nebraska at  
Omaha, Omaha, NE 68182-0040**

Invoice Attached (Y or N) NO Amount \$ 3035.00 (second and final payment)

Services/materials provided: **for expenses for lichen collecting trips, chemical and  
herbarium supplies, and herbarium storage cabinets**

Mileage reimbursement: **all reimbursements and purchases are handled through  
UNO Grants Accounting Office using standard grant procedures at the university.**

\* Please provide copy of vendor receipt(s), if available along with this request.

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