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Mr. Ted Frantz  
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Dear Mr. Frantz:

I received a note from Mr. Almo Cordone this morning regarding your desire to have information on the grasses we used to stabilize the banks on the Upper Truckee River.

The grass seeds we used were purchased at Ferry Morse Co. in Sacramento and were recommended by the El Dorado County Agricultural Commissioner. Seeding was done at the rate of twenty pounds per acre and in the ratios as follow:

For Seeding Dry Areas

1. Intermediate Wheat Grass	17%
2. Smooth Brome	31%
3. Crested Wheat	27%
4. Annual Rye Grass	25%

For Seeding Moderately Dry Areas

1. Timothy	15 %
2. Smooth Brome	30 %
3. Kentucky Bluegrass	15 %
4. White Clover	7.5%
5. Red Top	7.5%
6. Annual Rye Grass	25%

Ammonium phosphate 16-20 fertilizer in pellet form was applied at the rate of 200 pounds per acre.

The seed was sown with a cyclone hand seeder and raked with garden rakes. The seeded area was kept moist until the seed sprouted and was watered occasionally as the fall rains set in. A straw mulch at the rate of 1.5 tons per acre, or equivalent to 4 or 5 straws deep, could be used if practical. This would save

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irrigating so often; we did not use a mulch on the Upper Truckee River job. However, we had to do some reseeding the following year that may not have been necessary had we applied mulch the first year.

I hope this is the information you need and I wish you luck on your contemplated project. If I can be of further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Terence Potter  
Fisheries Manager I  
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