

Experimental Treatment for Reed Canary Grass

Along a section of the trail, there are multiple reforestation techniques currently being tried because the creek valley is dominated by reed canary grass which cannot tolerate shade. These techniques include an experimental herbicide treatment of canary grass, followed by burning, shallow tillage and direct tree seeding, as well as cottonwood and willow pole planting. Through these multiple techniques, reed canary grass is slowly being replaced with hardwood trees. The Fillmore SWCD has been involved in this project, and more information about it is available on their website, <http://fillmoreswcd.org/otherSpecial.html> .



Creek valley before it was treated for reed canary grass



Creek valley after the reforestation process had begun as part of experimental treatment for reed canary grass.