Plant Propagation Protocol for [Anemone drummondii] ESRM 412 – Native Plant Production



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	TAXONOMY
Family Names	
Family Scientific Name:	Ranunculaceae
Family Common Name:	buttercup
Scientific Names	
Genus:	Anemone
Species:	drummondii
Species Authority:	S. Watson [1]
Common Synonym(s)	Anemone drummondii S. Watson ssp. drummondii
Common Name(s):	Drummond's anemone, Alpine anemone
Species Code	ANDR, ANDRD

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Geographical range	
Ecological distribution	Mesic to dry meadows, rocky slopes, coniferous forest, alpine. Found in the Olympic and Cascade ranges, as well as Sierra Nevada and Klamath ranges. [3]
Climate and elevation range	Afternoon shade, 1200-3350m [2]
Local habitat and abundance	Individual plants can grow to 0.5m tall and 2m across, sprawling across understory and shaded edges. Commonly associated with <i>Achillea millefolium</i> , <i>Amelanchiar</i> sp. <i>Pinus monticola</i>
Plant strategy type / successional stage	Ametanenter sp, 1 thus monticola.
Plant characteristics	Creeping perennial, grows from tuberous rhizome. Does best if planted directly where desired, but overwintering corms may be divided and transplanted. Leaves are deeply lobed and serrate. Stems and foliage are covered densely with hairs. Flowers appear in early spring (often through snow), with showy blue-white sepals. Seed borne in cottony achenes. [6] "In late summer the foliage dies down and the plant disappears." [7]
PROPA	AGATION DETAILS
Propagation Goal:	Plants
Propagation Method :	Seed
Product Type :	Plants (bare root/field)
Time to Grow	1 year
Target Specifications	Transplantable rhizomes ("corms")
Propagule Collection	Collect seeds as soon as ripe, before carried away by wind.
Propagule Processing/Propagule	Seeds are attached to a fluffy dispersal mechanism,
Characteristics	which can easily be removed by rubbing with sand. [5]

Pre-Planting Propagule Treatments	No dormancy. "Seed, sown as soon as ripe, gives a
	very good percentage of germination and is, almost
	certainly, the best means of increasing stock." [7]
	Germination occurs 2-4 weeks after sowing, which
	may be increased by stratification in cold moist sand
	for 10 days [5]. Seed may be stored at 60°F in a dry
	place.
Growing Area Preparation / Annual	Does well in soils with high organic content Prefers
Practices for Perennial Crops	well-draining sandy loam which maintains moisture
	Prepare by raking in compost 12 inches deep
	maintaining pH neutral If growing in containers a
	mixture of the following is acceptable:
	2 parts loam
	1 part peat
	1 part sand
	1 5 oz superphosphate per bushel
	0.75oz ground limestone per bushel
Establishment Phase (from seeding to	Sow seed in March for bloom in September Seeds
germination).	planted later will bloom the following year. Sow thinly
germaner).	and cover with 1mm soil Keep moist through
	germination as dry plants die back and go dormant
	Warm temperatures speed germination [5]
Length of Establishment Phase.	4 weeks
Active Growth Phase	Growth is rapid when warm and moist and plants do
	best if shaded from afternoon heat Leaf arrangement
	may cause a local greenhouse near ground level for
	growth in cold temperatures [8]
Length of Active Growth Phase	16 weeks
Hardening Phase	Toward the end of summer, plants will enter dormancy
	and foliage will die back as temperatures drop and
	moisture is reduced For commercial propagation of
	blooming corms foliage is burnt off to force dormancy
	[5]
Length of Hardening Phase:	4 weeks
Harvesting, Storage and Shipping (of	Leave dormant plants in the ground to overwinter.
seedlings):	Harvest in April when new growth starts.
Length of Storage	Plant immediately.
Guidelines for Outplanting /	Transplant entire plants to their final site. Larger and
Performance on Typical	more vigorous rhizomes may be divided, as new
	growth will occur from many eyes on the tuber.
	Breaking up into smaller pieces gives more vigorous
	blooms the first year, but makes for weak and
	disposable plants. Once established, plants dislike
	disturbance of the fibrous root system.
	Site soil should be neutral and well-mulched with
	organic matter for moisture retention.

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