

## GORSE IS AN EXTREME FIRE RISK TO OUR COMMUNITY

### HOW CAN YOU TAKE ACTION?



REDUCE GORSE ON YOUR PROPERTY



LEARN BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES



CONTROL AND REDUCE THE SPREAD OF GORSE ON YOUR PROPERTY



HELP SPREAD THE WORD TO STOP GORSE



JOIN THE GORSE ACTION GROUP



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"There is no singular best method of extension, multiple methods are required to deliver the message to the diverse range of farmers and to reinforce the message in different ways."

**Vanclay 2004**

## Gorse Action Group Partners

City of Bandon  
City of Port Orford  
City of Brookings  
Coos County Forest Patrol  
Coos Watershed Association  
Curry Watershed Partnership  
South Coast Cooperative Weed Management Area  
Coquille Watershed Association  
National Fish & Wildlife Foundation  
Wild Rivers Coast Alliance  
Oregon Department of Agriculture  
Oregon State Parks  
Oregon Department of Transportation  
OSU Extension  
The Bureau of Land Management  
The Nature Conservancy  
Samara Group  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
U.S. Forest Service  
Private Landowners And Many More!



The **Gorse Action Group** is an example of how we can work towards a common and achievable set of solutions



## ABOUT US

The Gorse Action Group (GAG) is a collaborative of representatives from Federal, State, and County agencies, non-profit organizations and private landowners in Coos and Curry Counties. The GAG as a collective is an excellent example of multiple groups collaborating together to pool resources and work towards a common solution to control gorse in southern coastal Oregon. Some of our current objectives include:

Map the extent of gorse in western Coos, Curry & Douglas Counties.

Enlist committed partners in the region to coordinate and work together in controlling gorse.

Develop local gorse removal projects, research best management techniques for gorse removal and secure funding for gorse management.

For more information on: **FIRE RESISTANT GARDENS** resources and the Bandon Community Youth Garden, visit our website: **GORSEACTIONGROUP.ORG**



## LOCAL PARTNERS TAKING ACTION

Highway 101 Gorse Removal Demonstration south of Bandon, OR. shows innovative techniques for controlling gorse with multiple modes of action and methods.



Bullards Bridge Gorse Removal Project north of Bandon, OR. shows the core mission of the GAG, where public and private landowners come together to share resources in removing gorse and restoring working landscapes.



The Coquille Point Gorse Removal Project is an ongoing project that encompasses the mission of the GAG. Together, U.S. Fish

and Wildlife and the GAG have joined forces to work collaboratively in reducing gorse at Coquille Point and restore native shore bird habitat.

Harris Beach Project near Brookings OR. Combating gorse in southern Curry County. Curry SWCD helps private landowners build on the work of State Parks



What's new with the Gorse Action Group?

For more information about gorse and the Gorse Action Group, visit our webpage at

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## GORSE ON THE SOUTH COAST

Gorse (*Ulex europaeus*) is a highly flammable, invasive plant on the southern Oregon coast, first introduced to Oregon from Ireland in the late 1800s.

You can identify gorse by its green spiky spines and



vibrant yellow flowers.

Like Scotch broom (*Cytisus scoparius*), gorse is an evergreen plant that can grow to over 10 feet tall, but its thorny nature is an easy way to tell gorse from other invasive shrubs.

Currently, gorse flourishes throughout Curry and Coos counties, especially on cleared landscapes. Gorse is a highly invasive weed, extremely flammable and poses a serious fire risk. Gorse threatens our environment and our economy – impacting farming, grazing, forestry, native plant communities and recreational opportunities.

