

► Five Step Plan For Controlling Gorse

1. Continue to address the physical sprouting of gorse stumps/seed bank through mechanical means with a commitment to limiting future bloom cycles/reducing vigor in mature plants until both are no longer able to sustain top growth by active photosynthesis.
2. Continue alternating herbicides where possible with manual/mechanical control during an extended period of time (1-3 years) on continued new growth until the seed bank/root base is exhausted.
3. Establish diversity with alternative plant species to create competition for gorse.
4. Using fire-wise, native or fast growing grasses, shrubs, and trees to provide shade and to rebuild a healthy understory in undeveloped areas assures that the gorse cannot colonize again.
5. Continue to monitor the area for new seedlings, provide fertilizer and adequate moisture for restoration plantings, and do not allow the stumps or seeds to establish by regular spot herbicide treatments, cultivation or manual removal.



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