

Gorse Control Timing

Spray only timeline												
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Year 1												
Year 2												
Year 3												
Year 4												
Year 5												

Spring spray

Fall spray

grass seed

trees and shrubs

Notes: The above schedule shows the potential times for each activity. Application will depend on degree of infestation. Spring spraying is usually timed to avoid the peak bloom and adverse affects to bees and migratory hummingbirds. If the gorse is sprayed in the Spring followup spray is likely not needed until the following Spring or Fall. Grass seed should be applied at first fall rains following treatment or early spring when sufficient moisture is still possible. Depending on level of infestation and resprout after initial treatments planting of native shurbs and/or trees should be postponed until at least years 4-5. Continued monitoring and treatment for additional sprouts is likely needed beyond 5 years. Once control is begun yearly treatment is needed, and missing a treatment cycle can set back timelines considerably.

Mow/mulch with spray timeline												
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Year 1												
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Year 2												
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Year 3											4	
Year 4		<u> </u>									4	
Year 5		<u> </u>										
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Mow/mulching timing will depend on fire season restrictions. If mowing is delayed until fall/winter of Year 1 the first spary will likely not occur until Fall of Year 2 to allow for enough stump sprout to make spraying effective. Spring spraying is usually timed to avoid the peak bloom and adverse affects to bees and migratory hummingbirds. If the gorse is sprayed in the Spring followup spray is likely not needed until the following Spring or Fall. Grass seed should be applied at first fall rains following treatment or early spring when sufficient moisture is still possible. Depending on level of infestation and resprout after initial treatments planting of native shurbs and/or trees should be postponed until at least years 4-5. Continued monitoring and treatment for additional sprouts is likely needed beyond 5 years. Once control is begun yearly treatment is needed, and missing a treatment cycle can set back timelines considerably.