

*The **Gorse Action Group (GAG)** is an informal group of participants including federal and state agencies, non-profit organizations, private industry, and landowners. The GAG is working to control and reduce the spread of gorse, minimize the impact of gorse on our economy and natural resources, and provide a successful process to share with others facing gorse infestations. To learn more about our efforts, visit <https://gorseactiongroup.org/>.*

Attending (19): Will Bailey (private volunteer), Liza Ehle (Windward Gardens), Anders Hansen (Coos Watershed Association), Jordan Henkel (Coquille WA), Kevin Kent (K2 Land Development), Jason Kral (Weed Board, City of Bandon), Nick Langlois (USFWS), Cailin Leahy (SEA/USFWS), Celeste Lebo (OPRD), Scott Mickelson (ODOT), Erin Minster (Curry SWCD/Curry Watersheds Partnership), Glen Pederson (ODOT), Carri Piroso (ODA), Ivy Randall (Coquille WA), Nick Schoeppner (OPRD), Jaymé Schricker (Coquille WA) Jordan Slayden (NRCS), Randy Wiese (ODF), Katie Woodruff (NRCS).

Action Items and links:

- 2022 Gorse Action Group Accomplishments Report posted on Projects page of website.
- Carri is working with EPA to get GAG handouts printed.
- [**Bioloogy and Biological Control of Common Gorse and Scotch Broom**](#)
- Next meeting TBD for September or October.
- Send topics or ideas to Erin.

2023 Bullard's Beach North
GAG Meeting Tour, May 16



Speaker	Topic	Notes
Nick S.	Round Robin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gave overview of Bullard's Management Unit gorse control strategy. Continue projects started in 2010's by Sherri Laier and expand with a focus on containment at the margins of their known infestation sites. They are working on Harris Beach, China Creek, bluffs at Face Rock and Bullards specifically in this budget window and funding looks stable at this time.
Anders H.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recently hired two interns expanding their treatment capacity. Peddle and Pull will happen again with a modification to focus on seedlings for the competition. Working on some trail signage as well. Prioritizing powerline easement landowners and working with utilities to be more responsible during maintenance activities.
Glen P. and Scott M.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rainbow Rock cliff gorse is set to get treated again. Managing ROW from CA border to Bandon. ROW gets tight in the northern part making it harder to manage with gorse on private lands. It was suggested that they partner with Coos Curry Electric and City of Bandon Electric to expand reach.
Randy W.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Randy is the Sudden Oak Death (SOD) Forestry and gets lots questions about gorse coming in where tanoak has been removed.
Jordan H. and Ivy R.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finally getting call backs from Coaledo area for gorse control. Surveying rail lines and working on getting more access in infested areas. Busy with spary season and followup with previous projects.
Kevin K.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working with Parks and most of his gorse work is west of Highway 101 but he has lots of calls. Ready to go to work.
Cailin L. and Nick L.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cailin and Nick are new interns at Bandon Marsh working on invasive survey and control. Here through October and looking for opportunities to learn.
Jason K.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officially the City of Bandon Vegetation Management Coordinator. Secured a grant to pay his salary for 3 years. District 3 in compliance efforts now with a large neighborhood project from Face Rock to Johnson Creek, bluff to foredune.
Katie W. and Jordan S.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gorse is new to both and would like help from the group on educating. NRCS has grant funds available for agricultural and non-industrial projects focusing on cranberry automation and irrigation, Gorse Wildfire Hazard Mitigation, and Forest

		Management Plans. The inflation Reduction Act is providing good levels of funding.
Liza E.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assisted Jason K. and the City of Bandon with a big neighborhood meeting in District 3. Properties from Face Rock to Johnson Creek on the cliff present numerous challenges and cooperation is needed. Response from attendees was positive upon meeting conclusion. Offered to host a short class for the new folks in the room.
Celeste L.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the restoration person for State Parks from Newport south to the CA border. Working on follow-up gorse treatments at Bullards Beach, Blacklock Point, Face Rack, China Creek, Bandon jetty, and Harris Beach. Working with several GAG members and other groups on native seed prescriptions, sourcing, and coordination in the region. Working with BLM and Curry SWCD on Lost Lake/Fourmile Project.
Will B.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retired epidemiologist, former GAG steering committee member, former Coos Weed Board member. Stopped by while visiting the area to say hi. Thinks the progress of the GAG partners is impressive ,and is happy to see things are still moving along.
Carri P.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working on printing GAG outreach materials with funding and assistance from EPA. Awaiting detailed biocontrol update from Joel, but overall the word is that the trips released since 2019 are surviving at their sites. Interfacing with Oregon Dep. of Aviation at Cape Blanco on regarding upcoming upgrading project. Not having as much luck with the Bandon airport. Offered up copies of Biology and Biological Control of Common Gorse and Scotch Broom.
Erin		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working with BLM and OPRD on Lost Lake/Fourmile Project. 2022 Noxious Weed Inventory showed that of 200+ gorse outlier sites visited (monitored), 61 are showing no signs of gorse now. Secured \$1.3million in funding for gorse in Curry County. Submitted grant to WRCA for continued funding capacity.
Group	Field visit to North Bullards Beach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subgroup truckpooled out to site that was first treated in 2010. Followup treatment has been yearly since then except 1 year. See attached photos.
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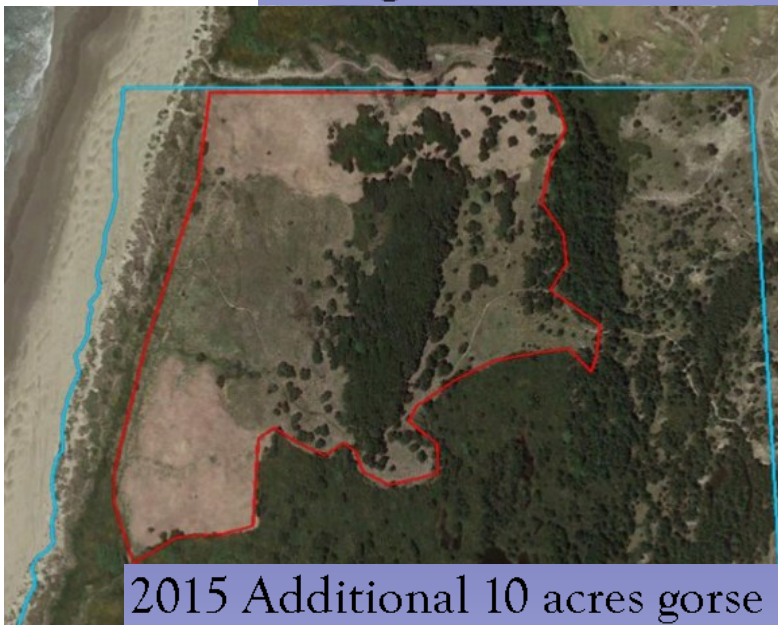
- ♦ 2010 Mowed/Mulched
- ♦ 2011 Sprayed resprouts with Garlon 3A
- ♦ 2011 Planted Dune grass
- ♦ 2012–Present, Spot spray new plants



2004 Pre-treatment



2013 gorse removal (13 acres) and dune grass planting



2015 Additional 10 acres gorse removal and dune grass planting

2010-2013 Photo monitoring of dune grass planting



2010



2011



2012



2013

Tree in photo points above



2023

