HOW TO USE



AN INTRODUCTION TO USING GOATS FOR BRUSH CONTROL

Let's Be Realistic



Management vs Eradication

DESIGNING A MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

What are your goals?

What tools are available?

What is your budget?

WHAT TO EXPECT

Site Evaluation

brush density, terrain and hazards

Keeping the Goats Contained fencing and energizers

Herd and Project Maintenance daily management and insurance

GOATS IN THE TOOLBOX

Difficult access Thick heavy brush Steep hillsides Rocky areas Hidden hazards Sensitive areas



WHAT'S HIDING IN THE BUSHES?



Stumps Boulders Retaining Walls Ground Wasps Creekbeds Downed Trees Holes Equipment/Buildings Old Fences

A HERD OF BENEFITS



Reduce or eliminate herbicides

Prevent seed production

Reduce risk to hand crews

Reduce or eliminate disposal fees

WHAT DO GOATS EAT?

Black mustard
Blackberry
Bull thistle
Canada goldenrod
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Cheat Grass
Coyote Bush
Diffuse knapweed
English Ivy
Field bindweed

Gorse
Italian thistle
Kudzu
Leafy Spurge
Milk thistle
Locust Trees
Multiflora rose
Musk thistle
Purple Starthistle
Poison Oak

Rabbit brush Russian knapweed Russian Thistle Sow thistle Spotted knapweed Wild Rose Willow Wormwood sage Yarrow Yellow mustard

WILLAMETTE VALLEY INVASIVES

Blackberry Scotch Broom

English Ivy Thistles

*Tansy Poison Oak/Ivy

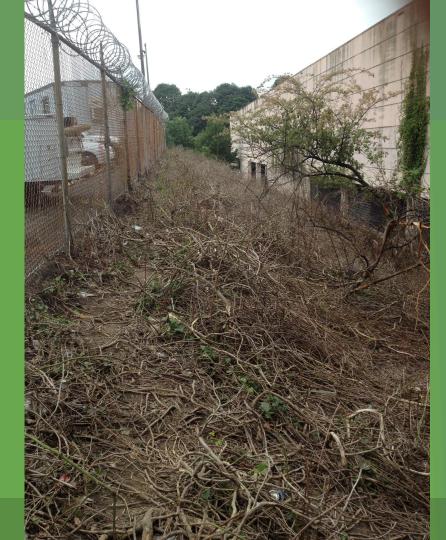




High-intensity-short-duration goat browsing applied in the summer for 1 or 2 yr reduced English ivy percent cover. Samples treated for 1 yr were reduced to 23% cover and those treated for two years were reduced to 4% cover.

-English Ivy (Hedera spp., Araliaceae)
Response to Goat Browsing
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