

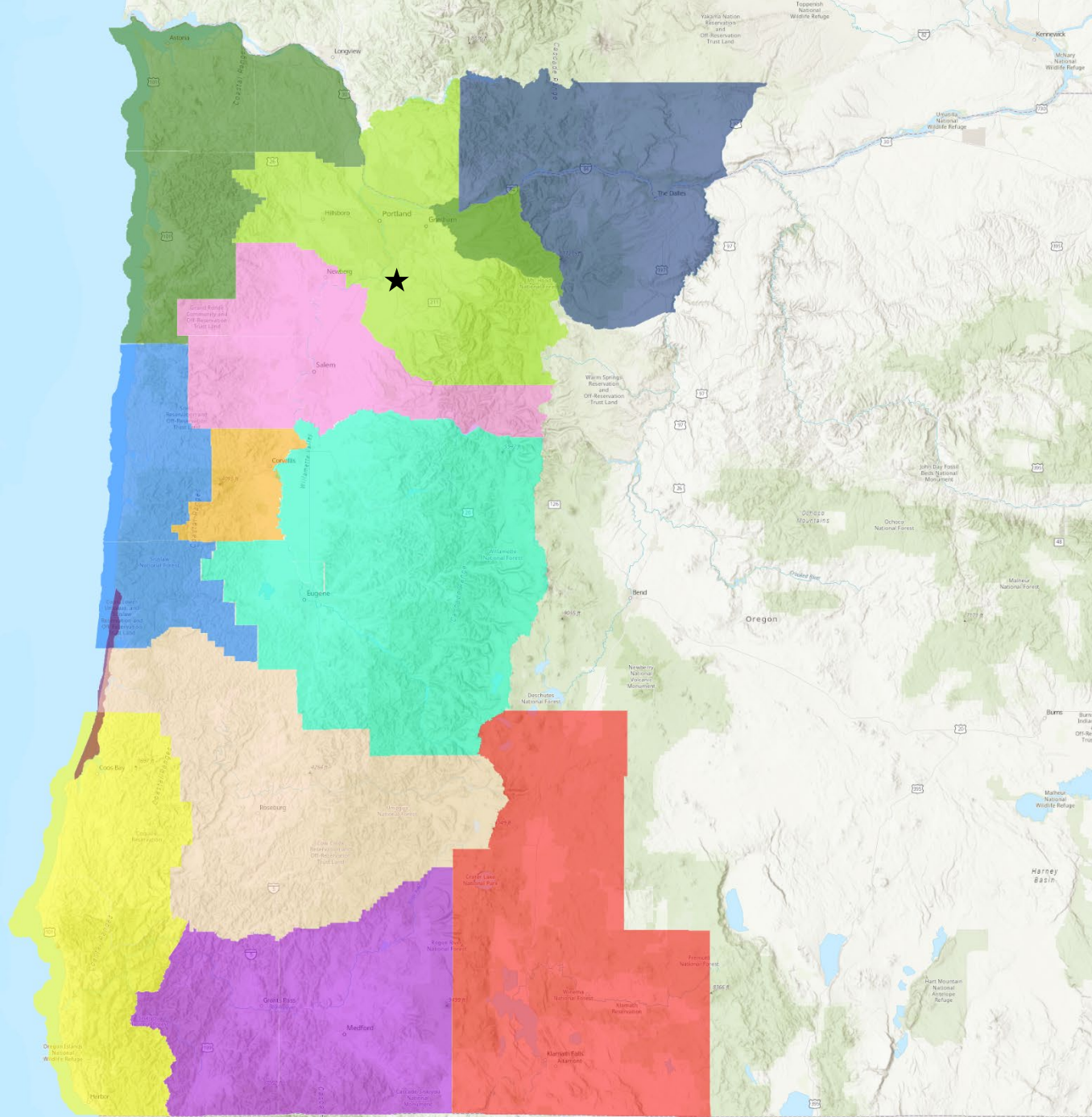


WIN: Putting the Work in Network

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**WESTERN INVASIVES
NETWORK**



WIN CWMA's

-  4-County
-  Benton
-  Columbia Gorge
-  Douglas
-  Dunes
-  Jackson & Josephine
-  Klamath
-  Mid-Coast
-  Mid-Willamette
-  North Coast
-  South Coast
-  Upper Willamette
-  WIN Headquarters

Columbia Gorge

- Invasive Species & Exotic Pest Workshop – February 27th
- Field Day events
- Rush skeletonweed working group
- New coordinator—split with 4-County



Mid-Willamette

- Weed of the Months
- New CWMA weed list
- Steering committee expansion
- Annual weed tours



MID-WILLAMETTE
COOPERATIVE WEED
MANAGEMENT AREA



IDENTIFICATION

Floating aquatic weed with small 5-petaled yellow flowers with heart-shaped leaves that are purple on the underside; spreads by seeds and plant fragments. Leaves are 2 to 6 inches across; much smaller than the native Yellow Pond Lily. In bloom May-October.

IMPACTS

Dense patches create a low oxygen environment that impacts fish and wildlife. Crowds out native plants and depletes their habitat, creating stagnant, unhealthy ponds and rivers. The dense clusters can also inhibit paddling, swimming, and fishing.

MANAGEMENT

Prevention is the best strategy. Contact a professional for advice on control of yellow floating heart. This plant is difficult to remove and even harder to eradicate. But with careful management, we can make an impact.

LEARN MORE

WWW.MARIONSWCD.NET/PLANTS/YELLOW-FLOATING-HEART/



The Cooperative Weed Management Area partnership connects land managers, increases awareness, and supports collaborative efforts. Visit us at marionswcd.net/what-we-offer/mid-willamette-cwma/.



Benton

- New Coordinator
- Reinvigorated Steering committee
- Let's Pull Together event



BENTON COUNTY
Cooperative Weed
Management Area

Jackson & Josephine



- Let's Pull Together event
- New Coordinator
- New working group...RAIN!



Cooperative Weed Management Area (CMWA)

Jackson + Josephine Counties

Klamath

- Grants and more grants!



What's next?

- Memorandum of Understanding
 - New 5-year cooperative agreement
 - January 1st, 2025 – December 31st, 2029
- Oregon Invasive Species Hotline
 - 2024 – 1,084 reports submitted!
 - Steady increase of Hotline activity
 - Minimum of \$25,000 in additional funding required

Paterson's curse
Echium plantagineum



Object for scale?

Thank you!

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