

# COLUMBIA GORGE COOPERATIVE WEED MANAGEMENT AREA



*Photo Credit: Friends*

2022

Annual Report



## A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRS

2022 was an important year for the Columbia Gorge Cooperative Weed Management Area (CWMA) in recovering from several years of setbacks due to the pandemic. Although much of our coordination continued to be virtual with quarterly membership and steering committee meetings, much of the project work that had been delayed or slowed down over the previous couple of years shifted back into regular gear.

In February, the CWMA hosted its 11th annual Invasive Species and Exotic Pest Workshop (ISEP) and several hundred people around the region and from beyond. We heard fascinating presentations on First Foods, contaminated moss balls and spotted lanternflies. One of the most wonderful elements of this workshop outside of the presentations is the opportunity for our members and others to connect through individual conversations and networking. The CWMA is looking to have the upcoming ISEP once again in person. We will also be holding some meetings in person over the course of the year. These are wonderful opportunities to meet your fellow CWMA members.

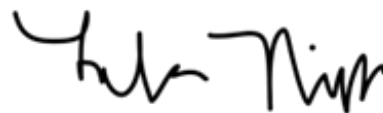
We appreciate everyone who has been a member or just participated in group events over the course of the year! The projects and initiatives detailed in the following report highlight the work of our partner organizations and committees, including descriptions of projects funded by the CWMA Small Grant Fund. The annual report also contains a summary of the 2022 ISEP conference and a financial update.

We look forward to your participation in 2023. As always, we are looking to expand participation in our organization so please let us know if there are organizations that we should be conducting outreach with. Have a great field season!

Sincerely,



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City of Portland—Portland Water Bureau  
Columbia Gorge CWMA Co-Chair



**Lucas Nipp**  
*Senior Rural Conservationist*  
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# Columbia Gorge Cooperative Weed Management Area

## ANNUAL REPORT

### WHO ARE WE

The **Columbia Gorge Cooperative Weed Management Area (CWMA)** exists to create and support collaborative weed management among land managers and practitioners within the Columbia River Gorge. Invasive plants extend across multiple ownerships and move around the landscape, making collaboration and partnerships essential for effective management. The Columbia Gorge CWMA promotes weed education and outreach, weed inventory and prevention, and weed control activities. The intention of the Columbia Gorge CWMA is to foster partnerships amongst local organizations to enhance available resources and help maximize efficiency and effectiveness of noxious weed management, regardless of political boundaries.

### OUR MEMBERS

- Bureau of Land Management—Northwest Oregon District
- Cascade Pacific Resource Conservation & Development
- Clackamas Soil and Water Conservation District
- Clark County Public Works
- City of Portland—Portland Water Bureau
- Columbia Land Trust
- East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District
- Friends of the Columbia Gorge
- Hood River Soil and Water Conservation District
- Klickitat County Noxious Weed Control Board
- Oregon Department of Agriculture—Noxious Weed Control Program
- Oregon State Parks—Oregon Parks and Recreation Department
- Sandy River Watershed Council
- Skamania County Noxious Weed Control Program
- The Nature Conservancy
- Underwood Conservation District
- US Army Corps of Engineers
- US Forest Service—Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area
- US Forest Service—Mt. Hood National Forest
- US Forest Service—Gifford Pinchot National Forest
- USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service—Multnomah County and Clackamas County
- Wasco County Soil and Water Conservation District
- Washington State Department of Natural Resources
- Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board



*Rush skeletonweed found by Christina Mead and Beth Myers-Shenai while doing EDRR surveys of Hood River County forest land.*



## FEATURED PARTNER PROJECTS

**Our work would not be possible without our incredible partners!**

*Which is why we are highlighting the great, collaborative work our partner organizations have accomplished this year.*

### **Tree of Heaven Progress Report**

By: Corrie Podolak (Underwood Conservation District)



*Marty Hudson from Klickitat County Noxious Weeds treats a grove of Tree of Heaven (Photo credit: Underwood Conservation District)*

Since September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, Underwood Conservation District (UCD) has been working to get the word out about the invasive Tree of Heaven (TOH) and its potential companion, the Spotted Lanternfly. Our public outreach has consisted of speaking at City Council meetings, including informational fliers in utility bills, posting fliers around town, putting out social media posts, making a short film, writing newspaper and newsletter articles to engage and inform the public about this invasive tree.

On September 26, 2022, along with the help of our partners we began treatment on the Tree of Heaven in White Salmon and Bingen, WA. Marty Hudson from Klickitat County Noxious Weed Control, Cyndi Soliz and a crew from Skamania County Noxious Weed Control and the City of White Salmon have all been helping in the herbicide applications on the Tree of Heaven. We have treated 26 private landowner's trees in White Salmon and Bingen, totaling approximately 1,180 trees.

We have also been treating trees in business parking lots, along the railroad and on public right of way in White Salmon and Bingen, the total number of trees on these properties is around 400 trees.

We finished herbicide treatments in the middle of October and plan to monitor the trees we have treated in the spring for regrowth. If the trees are dead, we will be encouraging landowners to remove the trees. Once trees are removed, we will be helping owners' plant native trees, flowers, and grasses.

One of the bigger challenges we face is the removal of dead TOH. It is our hope that property owners can cover the cost, but we foresee that this may be a hurdle in the future.

## Forest Youth Success Surveys for Tree of Heaven

By: Somer Meade (Forest Youth Success)



*After learning how to ID TOH, the Kodiak crew assembles packets to distribute to residents. (Photo Credit: Somer Meade)*

This summer, 19 teens from the Forest Youth Success (FYS) program in Skamania County learned all about the threat Tree of Heaven (TOH) and the Spotted Lanternfly (SLF) pose to WA as part of their training to complete property surveys and community outreach. In a training session provided by Cyndi Soliz from the Skamania County Noxious Weed Program (SCNWP), participants learned how to identify the invasive species and how to educate residents. The teens were then broken up into three crews and each crew was assigned an area and spent two days going door to door, looking out for TOH and speaking with residents. In all, the crews surveyed 324 properties in Stevenson, Carson, and the Cook/Underwood area.

Once surveys were completed, the crews participated in a social media challenge where they designed social media posts with a goal of generating the most community engagement. Their posts reached 2,731 people, with 565 engaging with the posts. They also gave a brief presentation at our community luncheon that closes out the season, with approximately 60 people in the audience. At the end of

the program, a small group of teens formed a work group and created an educational display for the Exhibit Hall at the Skamania County Fair. Not only did they win a blue ribbon and a Judge's Choice ribbon, they reached the thousands of people in attendance.

The project went really well, and while the teens were initially anxious about going door to door and speaking with strangers, they were well received and became very motivated to find TOH and help eliminate the threat. When they found it at another project site during the program, they immediately connected the manager with resources to get it taken care of. We started with 19 teens who were ambivalent about invasive species and turned them into weed warriors who are consistently on the lookout and educating others, well after the program ended. We are very thankful for the partnership with SCNWP and CWMA, it was a very meaningful project that we couldn't have done without their support!



*After learning how to ID TOH, the Kodiak crew assembles packets to distribute to residents. (Photo Credit: Somer Meade)*

## Managing Rush Skeletonweed at the New Mt. Ulka Trail

By: Sara Woods (Friends of the Columbia Gorge)

Friends of the Columbia Gorge Land Trust (Friends) is one of the largest private landowners in the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. Friends works with local community partners to protect vital lands, promote recreational opportunities, and steward lands to protect native habitats and wildlife.

Friends has conserved 26 sites in the Gorge, for a total of 1,652 acres. On those sites, the goals include removing non-native species, planting native vegetation, and protecting fragile resources. The goals at the Mt Ulka preserve (located in The Dalles, OR) are no different however our priorities were amplified when the possibility of a new trail construction became realized.

Since 2019, Friends has been working towards developing a trail at Mt Ulka that is predominantly in grassland habitat. Rush skeletonweed is the leading broadleaf invasive at the site and it was clear that prior to building the trail, this Class B invasive needed to be controlled. The CWMA grant supported the chemical treatment of skeletonweed at Mt Ulka during the fall of 2022. With these funds (and additional funds from an Oregon Department of Agriculture grant) we treated 37.5 acres of the nearly 48-acre preserve plus 4 acres on an adjacent landowner's property. Prior to chemical treatments Friends' volunteer land stewards were trained to identify skeletonweed and cut flowerheads off the plants to prevent further seeding and contributed 27 hours doing so. During the winter of 2022/2023 Friends' volunteers and staff will seed the site with native grasses and forbs.

Friends leveraged the CWMA grant to apply for a third granting source to further our goal of developing a GIS

geodatabase for long-term invasive weed monitoring efforts by utilizing the Quick Capture app (a recommendation from another CWMA partner!). This work will allow volunteers to be trained to monitor and mark prioritized invasive weeds (for future treatments) with a single click of a button. Although we have yet to be awarded the grant, we still intend to implement this monitoring project for skeletonweed at Mt Ulka and hope to reiterate this process for other weeds and at other sites.

Without the CWMA small grant Friends would be scrambling to find funds for this project. And although skeletonweed is not the highest priority weed in the region it's still important to manage. Funding this project has given a renewed energy to control rush skeletonweed which has brought in new funds and partners to discuss future management across boundaries.




*Friends Land Stewards and staff at Mt. Ulka Searching for rush skeletonweed (Photo credit: Friends Staff)*



## iMapInvasives and the Oregon Invasive Species Hotline

By: Lindsey Wise (Oregon Biodiversity Information Center)

2022 was a busy year for [iMapInvasives](#) and the [Oregon Invasive Species Hotline](#). The busiest time for the Hotline when the news media reported the first Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) in Oregon, with hundreds of potential sightings coming into the Hotline in the following weeks. Our network of reviewers really stepped up to respond to all these reports! With over 500 Insect and Spider reports to the Hotline in 2022, the entomologists at ODA and ODF and other expert reviewers were kept very busy. Luckily, no new sites outside of the known Forest Grove area have yet to be confirmed for EAB, but the negative reports also help us determine the baseline for EAB in Oregon. One positive outcome of all these reports is that a lot more Oregonians know what our native Golden Buprestid Beetle looks like and are more engaged in learning about insects and invasive species in general.

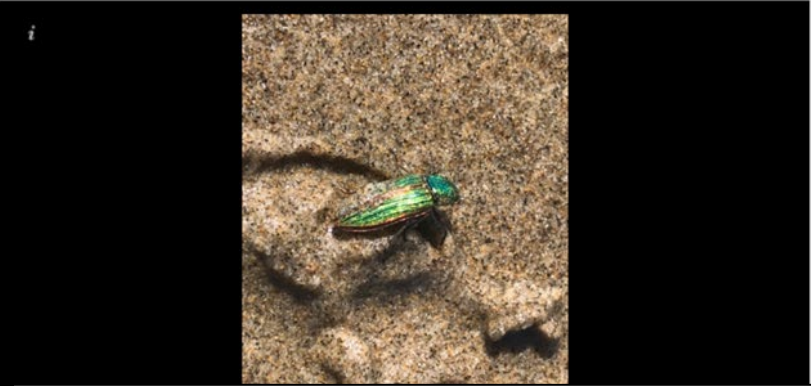
**Golden Buprestid Beetle** (*Buprestis aurulenta*) on Jul 26, 2022

Originally reported as Emerald Ash Borer (*Agrilus planipennis*)

Description of specimen

Submitter does not have a specimen


The species was bright emerald green.



Location


Map

Satellite



I found the species on the beach in Manzanita.

Expert Reviewer

**Michael Blankenship**  
Tillamook Soil & Water  
Conservation District

*One of hundreds of potential emerald Ash Borer reports to the Oregon Invasive Species Hotline that our expert reviewers identified as the native Golden Buprestid Beetle. (Photo Credit: Jennifer Bentley, submitted to the Oregon Invasive Species Hotline)*

iMapInvasives had some great updates in 2022, including a lot of new functionality with iNaturalist data. iMap users can now display the past 5 years of iNaturalist records alongside other iMapInvasives layers for easy comparisons. You can also use the iNaturalist layer in the Species List by Geography report to get a clearer picture of invasive species diversity at a site or include iNaturalist records in custom email alerts. For more information on new iMap features see this [YouTube video](#). If you're looking for an easy way to collect invasive species records and submit directly to iMapInvasives, check out the [iMap Survey123 training video](#) and how-to guide. No ArcGIS Online account necessary, all you need is a free iMapInvasives account. With over 50 new users and thousands of new records added this year, iMap continues our work to provide a clear picture of invasive species in Oregon to managers, researchers, and the public.

## Vegetation Stewardship Program

By: Angie Kimpo (Portland Water Bureau)

For the past 11 years, The Portland Water Bureau's Vegetation Stewardship Program (VSP), and contractors from Wild Habitat Contracting and Mosaic Ecology, have spent many summer days surveying and hand-removing invasive plants such as cats ear (*Hypochaeris radicata*), common hawkweed (*Hieracium lachenalii*) and oxeye daisy (*Leucanthemum vulgare*) from high-elevation meadows and prairies in the Bull Run Watershed. One of the main drivers for these efforts is to protect a population of the rare Kamchatka lily (*Fritillaria camschatcensis*) that has a significant population at Latourelle Prairie.

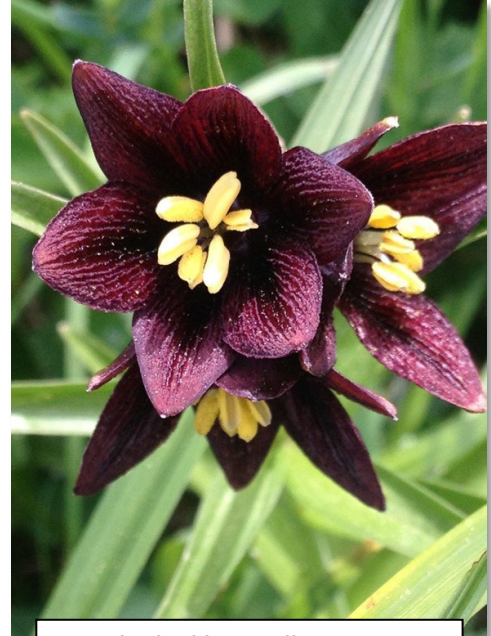
This population represents the southernmost population in the Cascades. The species range moves northward through the Cascades and coast ranges through Washington, British Columbia, and through Alaska to the Aleutian, Adreanof, and Rat Islands. The Latourelle Prairie population is a disjunct population with the next known location to the north occurring south of Bellingham. This species is known to be culturally significant to indigenous populations as both a fresh and dried food source.

This past summer, the VSP, botanists, and natural resource specialists from Clackamas SWCD, U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, and the City of Gresham ventured out to Latourelle Prairie for a census of the rare lily.

During the last census taken in 2014, the species population was considered secure but vulnerable to reduced snowpack and subsequent shrub encroachment. Also, reduced water table levels may threaten its longevity as it thrives in association with water-loving sphagnum moss.

After concluding this year's survey, the *Fritillaria* population at Latourelle Prairie is not only secure but appears to be thriving, possibly due to wet spring conditions. The survey recorded roughly 8000 *Fritillaria* observations at numerous phenological stages. The survey used ArcGIS Quick Capture to quickly record an observation along with 1 of 4 phenological stages of plant growth. This fast and simple method allowed the survey to grid through the site to capture detailed population numbers instead of using representative sample plots. However, due to time restrictions, the survey could not complete the full extent of the known population, so this number only represents approximately 25% of the geographic area of the population.

The VSP plans to continue this census next year to gather more census data on this rare species at Latourelle Prairie.



Kamchatka lily (*Fritillaria camschatcensis*) (Photo Credit: Angie Kimpo)



## HAPPY TRAILS TO COURTNEY GATTUSO

After 4 years we bid a fond farewell to our CWMA Coordinator, Courtney Gattuso. This past year Courtney accepted a new position as the coordinator for the [Western Invasive Network](#). As the new WIN Coordinator, Courtney will continue to support Cooperative Weed Management Areas (CWMA) throughout Western Oregon, including the Columbia Gorge CWMA. So instead of “So long”, we are saying “See you soon!”.



Photo Credit: Beth Myers-Shenai

Courtney joined the Columbia Gorge CWMA team in October of 2018. During Courtney's tenure as coordinator, she also served as the part time coordinator for the 4-County CWMA and as WeedWise Specialist for the Clackamas SWCD's WeedWise program.

Courtney split her time between working on invasive species management in the Sandy River watershed and coordinating both CWMAs. With the complicated nature of Courtney's split position, she has done an amazing job in advancing all aspects of her work.

Prior to joining the WeedWise program, Courtney worked at Metro Parks and Nature as a restoration technician and at Clean Water Services as a Landscape Specialist. Courtney has also worked on a local restoration contract crew, focusing on invasive plant control and restoration.

Courtney is much more than her work! She is an amazing person to be around and has brought a cheerful approach to her work. Many thanks to Courtney for her many contributions to the Columbia River Gorge.

We wish Courtney all the best in her new adventure!

## CWMA HIGHLIGHTS

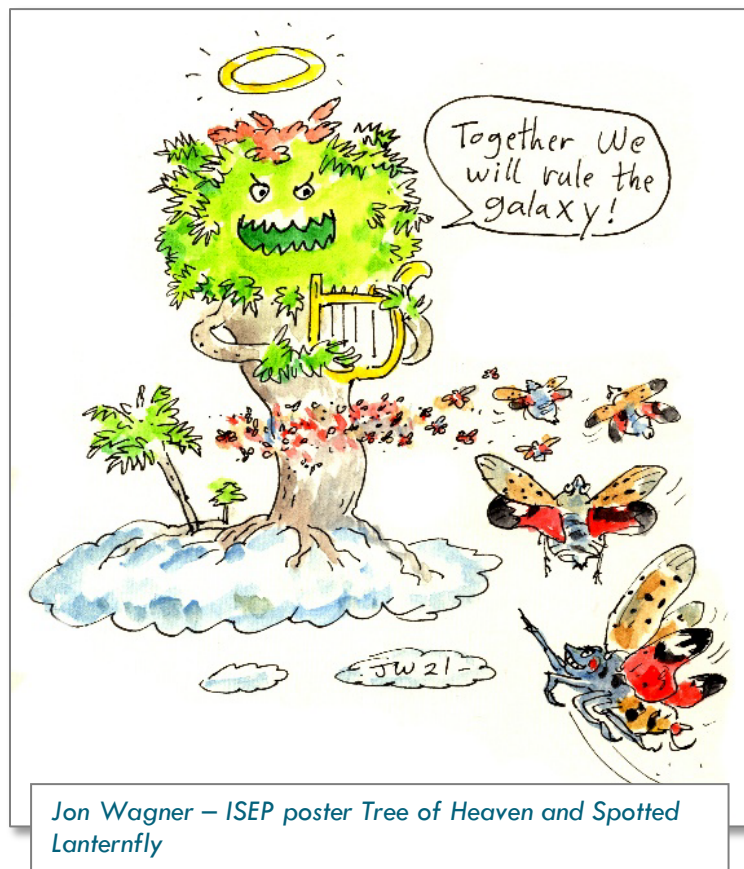
### 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Invasive Species & Exotic Pest Workshop

With the help of the Recreation Conservation Office's Washington Invasive Species Council, the Columbia Gorge Cooperative Weed Management Area (CWMA) planned, organized, and delivered the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Columbia Gorge Invasive Species and Exotic Pest Workshop (ISEP) on March 3, 2022. The online event occurred during the National Invasive Species Awareness Week and drew over 450 registrations from 19 states and 3 countries. At least 290 people participated in the workshop!

At 10am the workshop began with a welcome and housekeeping items by our emcee before a brief update on the Columbia Gorge CWMA's ongoing activities. After a technical glitch with zoom was rectified, participants listened to the most favored presentations of the day about "Reducing Weeds with Riparian Zone Restoration" and "First Foods and Invasive Species Management." The crowd favorite "Invasive Species Quiz" included 190

participants testing their invasive species identification skills before lunch. At 1pm, participants reconvened to hear about the US Fish and Wildlife Service's "Rapid Response to Zebra Mussel Contamination in Marimo Moss Balls." Over 60% of the participants who were surveyed following ISEP (142) stated there were "logistics (they) hadn't thought of when responding to new invasions."

Next, workshop attendees heard about the California-based campaign to address invasive plants in the horticultural industry. PlantRight Project Manager Alex Stubblefield shared the success the group has had teaching homeowners, landscape professionals, and plant retailers about invasive species and their strategy to keeping them out of California's nurseries, gardens, and wild areas. After a short break, Washington Department of Agriculture Pest Biologist Josh Milnes taught participants how to identify the invasive Spotted Lanternfly, why it's a problem, and how to report it if found. Workshop attendees continued learning about new, potential invaders with the last presentation of the day. Over 70% of those surveyed gained knowledge on at least one new aquatic invader and 93% said they were "committed to cleaning (their) gear to prevent the spread of invasive species and diseases and will encourage others to do the same." In the end, 92% of those surveyed agreed they had an enhanced knowledge and awareness about invasive species after attending the workshop.



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Surveyors provided valuable feedback to workshop planners and much praise was given about the organization and execution of the event. Ninety percent would “recommend the event to a friend or colleague or attend another workshop in the future.”

Many participants received 4 continuing education credits for their pesticide licenses from either Oregon or Washington departments of Agriculture. Out of the 290+ attendees, 193 sought credits. The workshop was recorded, and anyone can view the presentations again on the Columbia Gorge CWMA YouTube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/@columbiagorgecwma2282>.

## Halloweeds Fun Day

On October 27, Columbia Gorge CWMA members and guests came together on a beautiful fall day to tour the Steigerwald Reconnection Project. We were hosted by Project Manager, Doug Kreuzer who has spent the last several years working on this phenomenal project! Attendants participated in a site tour, a Halloween

costume contest and lunch at the 54°40' Brewing.



*Halloweeds participants sporting their costumes. (Photo credit: Friends of the Columbia Gorge)*

Project Description (provided by the Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership): Steigerwald Lake is a US Fish & Wildlife Service National Wildlife Refuge situated along the banks of the Columbia near Washougal, Washington, at the Gateway to the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. Through a collaborative partnership, the lands and waters of the Refuge and the Columbia River

were recently reconnected. The collaborative Steigerwald Reconnection Project reconnected 965 acres of Columbia River floodplain after generations separated by a levee, reduced flood risk from Gibbons Creek, improved habitat for fish and wildlife, and created new trails for recreation at the Refuge.

Steigerwald Lake National Wildlife Refuge was first protected in 1987 and by 2019 comprised approximately 1,200 acres of wetlands, fields, woodlands, and a channelized Gibbons Creek. But since the 1960s until 2021, the Columbia River was cut off from the area by a 5.5-mile levee. The US Army Corps of Engineers constructed the levee to reduce flood risk, however it separated the Columbia from its vast historic floodplain. And although the levee protected the Refuge and adjacent properties from Columbia River floods, it exacerbated internal flooding from Gibbons Creek. This internal flooding required the Port to maintain a costly pumping system.

Partners including the Port, the US Fish and Wildlife Service and the Estuary Partnership worked together to develop the project with the shared goals of flood protection, restoring habitat and natural ecosystem functions, and improving recreation opportunities at the Refuge. The project cost more than \$32 million dollars and took three years to construct.

Thank you so much to Doug for taking us on a phenomenal tour of your project!



## Steering Committee

Our Steering Committee (listed below with photos) consists of devoted members from our partner organizations who help ensure the steady functioning of the CWMA. Tasks carried out by our Steering Committee include directing financial and grant opportunities, facilitating meetings, managing special projects, writing letters of support for our partner organizations, and providing guidance to our CWMA Coordinator. This year saw our Steering Committee members rolling out the new small grants program highlighted above.

Long time member Marty Hudson exited the Steering Committee in 2022 due to his upcoming retirement. We thank Marty for all of his years of support and service to the CWMA! Sara Woods graciously stepped up and was elected to the steering committee. Welcome Sara! Another member who was on leave for part of 2021 came back to the Steering Committee and was subsequently elected co-chair. Many thanks to our devoted Steering Committee and the work they do to make the CWMA successful!



*We will miss you, Marty Hudson!*  
(Photo Credit: Sara Woods)

## Education & Outreach Committee

The Education and Outreach Committee works to coordinate enriching outreach opportunities and educational events for our CWMA members, partners, and interested public. The 7-person committee is responsible for planning events, hosting public committee meetings, creating educational materials, and brainstorming new ways to engage communities in our collaborative weed management efforts.

In 2022, the education and outreach committee led the planning and implementation of the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Invasive Species and Exotic Pest workshop (ISEP) which was held virtually in March. With over 300 participants in attendance, this was the largest ISEP to date. Shortly after a successful event, the committee went back to work to ensure this popular workshop continues to be relevant with meaningful and timely topics for attendees for the 12<sup>th</sup> annual ISEP.

The committee typically meets monthly or bimonthly for an hour to plan future events or work on educational outreach. In 2022, six online meetings took place throughout the year. The committee is always looking for fresh ideas and more partner representation, so if you are interested in joining the group, please contact Emily Stevenson for more information!

## General Meetings

Our General Meetings allow our partners to connect with one another to discuss the latest news in weed management and share updates on their respective programs to keep our partners engaged in regional weed control efforts. Our quarterly meetings are typically hosted in Hood River, but our group has adapted to using the CWMA's teleconference platform for all meetings.

In 2022, we held three general meetings in January, March, and August. Our May Field Day was combined with our October meeting for a return to in person with our "Halloweeds" meeting.

Our general meetings focused chiefly on project development for our Small Project Fund, as well as spring and fall seasonal planning.

The CWMA also discussed the formation of a Rush Skeletonweed Working Group to begin developing a plan of attack to coordinate control efforts in the Gorge. This emergent group is being spearheaded by Friends of the Gorge and Columbia Land Trust to combat this noxious weed on managed sites.

A major decision was also made to return to holding in-person meetings in 2023, while providing a remote option for attendees. This decision was undertaken with careful consideration, in effort to accommodate the needs of all attendees.

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

The Columbia Gorge CWMA operates through the generous support of its member organizations. CWMA member organizations provide both financial and volunteer contributions to support the collective goals and mission of the CWMA.

In recent years, the Columbia Gorge CWMA has been actively seeking additional funding from our CWMA partners to increase the resource available for our CWMA Coordinator. Our Coordinator is currently funded at a quarter-time, and our goal is to increase this to a half-time position. Many thanks to our partners that have been able to increase their contributions. Unfortunately, we are still shy of the target threshold needed to transition our coordinator to half time.

The additional funds collected over the last few years have grown to generate a modest surplus above what has been needed to fund our coordinator and basic operations. In 2022, the Columbia Gorge CWMA sought to reinvest these surplus resources toward weed control practices that improve conditions within the Columbia Gorge CWMA. In 2022, the CWMA funded three small grants at \$5000 each. These projects were selected to supplement and enhance projects underway within the CWMA.

These projects included funding to support a youth workforce development project focused on tree-of-heaven, through a program called Forest Youth Success. The CWMA also helped to fund a portion of a tree-of-heaven management project from Underwood Conservation District, as well as a puncturevine management and outreach project from Hood River SWCD. These projects allow the CWMA to put our surplus resources to good use to improve current conditions within the Columbia Gorge CWMA.

The monetary resources to fund our coordinator position and other CWMA-led activities in the past fiscal year 2021-2022 were provided by the following member organizations:

- Bureau of Land Management—Northwest Oregon District
- Clackamas Soil and Water Conservation District
- East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District
- Friends of the Columbia Gorge
- Oregon Parks and Recreation Department
- Skamania County Noxious Weed Control Program
- US Forest Service—Gifford Pinchot National Forest
- US Forest Service—Mt. Hood National Forest

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The resources received from the Columbia Gorge CWMA partners, grants, and agreements **totaled \$20,272 in FY21-22**. So many thanks to all of our partners!

The Columbia Gorge CWMA is still seeking additional partner funds to increase our coordinator time and partners are encouraged to reach out to our Fiscal Admin if you are interested in becoming a sponsor or in increasing your partner support.

The participation by our CWMA member organizations is also significant and diverse. The Columbia Gorge CWMA member organizations have invested hundreds of hours of personnel time to support weed management efforts within the Columbia River Gorge. Many more hours have also been spent in correspondence, planning events and meetings, and developing and implementing projects. The support for the CWMA by its member organizations is significant and deeply valued!

Overall, the Columbia Gorge CWMA has a robust and diverse funding base. We are fortunate to have such broad regional support for its members. Thank you to all of our contributing organizations and members.

# THANK YOU!



*Photo credit: Sam Leininger, Clackamas SWCD*



## 2022 STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

### Steering Committee Co-Chairs

**Angie Kimpo** (*Portland Water Bureau*)

**Lucas Nipp** (*East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District*)



### Oregon Representatives

**Lucas Nipp** (*East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District*)

**Angie Kimpo** (*Portland Water Bureau*)



### Washington Representatives

**Emily Stevenson** (*Skamania County Noxious Weed Control Program*)

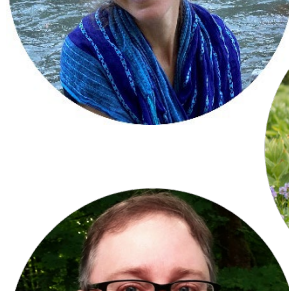
**Sara Woods** (*Friends of the Columbia Gorge Land Trust*)



### At-Large Representatives

**Kate Conley** (*Columbia Land Trust*)

**Christina Mead** (*US Forest Service—Mt. Hood National Forest*)



### Fiscal Administrator

**Sam Leining** (*Clackamas Soil and Water Conservation District*)



### Western Invasives Network Coordinator

**Courtney Gattuso** (*Western Invasives Network*)



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