

Naches - Fifes Ridge

Description: This unit is located between Crow Creek and Fifes Ridge. It is surrounded by Non Wilderness lands. Road access is primarily for hunting, dispersed camping, trailhead, and motorized recreation access. There are 4 campgrounds, 8 trailheads, and 1 snow-park located within this unit. The invasive plant populations are located near forest roads and within the areas used for dispersed camping and trailheads.

Infested Acres: 20.2

Total Acres: 8598.5

5th Field Watershed: Little Naches River - 1703000218

Major Streams and Waterbodies: Little Naches River

Elevation: 2600-6200 feet

Vegetation Type: Western hemlock, Grand fir, Pacific silver fir, Mountain hemlock, Ponderosa pine, Douglas-fir

Soils: All or partially derived from volcanic ash; generally underlain by glacial tills, especially near the Cascade Crest; some areas did not undergo glaciation and have developed from bedrock (often sandstone or basalt) and are overlain by volcanic ash or mixed with volcanic ash; where the volcanic ash is eroded away, soils are generally sandy loam textures.

Precipitation: lower elevations 15-20 inches per year, highest elevations 80-120 inches

Special Management Areas:

Recreation: Developed and dispersed camping, hunting, motorcycle, and snowmobiling.

Grazing: A very small portion in the northeast corner of this unit contains a fragment of the Naches Sheep allotment.

TES, ISSSP Species: None

Other Land Ownerships: None

Vectors of Spread: Vehicle Traffic, recreational uses, wildlife grazing.

Ongoing Treatments: None

Existing Nepa: None

IVM STRATEGY: Continue to reduce the reliance on the use of herbicide in all areas, while maintaining the competitive desirable non-target native species that add to the scenic quality of the roadside environment. Continue to use crews to pull weeds where it has been successful, while using herbicide where manual treatment is least effective. Treatment at campgrounds and trailheads will continue to be a priority to prevent the spread of weeds on roads and trails. Monitor for new invaders.

Existing Sites and Treatment Objectives

Species	Common name	# of sites	Infested acres	site types	Objective
CEBI2	spotted knapweed	1	0.0	1	
CEDI3	diffuse knapweed	6	5.3	1,5,6	
CIAR4	Canada thistle	4	4.5	1,5,6	
CIIN	chicory	2	0.1	1	
CIVU	bull thistle	3	6.3	1,5,6	
HYPE	common St. Johnswort	1	0.1	1	
HYRA3	hairy catsear	1	0.8	1,5,6	
LEVU	oxeye daisy	5	3.0	1	

LIDA	Dalmatian toadflax	1	0.1	1	
VETH	common mullein	1	0.0	1	
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