

Cowichan Valley Regional District Recorded Invasive Species

A list of all recorded invasive species currently in the **Cowichan Valley Regional District**. This list includes sites reported by government agencies, the public, and non-profits that are currently in the invasive alien plant program database. This list is accurate to February 10, 2022.

Invasive Plant	Number of Sites	Total Estimated Area (Ha)
Scotch broom (CYTI SCO)	1072	420.662
Japanese knotweed (FALL JAP)	717	24.5052
Canada thistle (CIRS ARV)	687	72.9757
Himalayan blackberry (RUBU ARM)	669	130.2625
St. John's wort/Saint John's wort/ Goatweed (HYPE PER)	477	96.3114
Oxeye daisy (LEUC VUL)	426	137.1739
Bull thistle (CIRS VUL)	381	79.3407
Common tansy (TANA VUL)	277	33.1745
Yellow iris (IRIS PSE)	243	35.6426
Giant knotweed (FALL SAC)	237	11.5338
Tansy ragwort (SENE JAC)	224	41.2338
False brome (BRAC SYL)	204	217.9425
Bohemian knotweed (FALL BOH)	194	9.7569
Giant hogweed (HERA MAN)	190	2.7615
Curled dock (RUME CRI)	172	26.2622
English ivy (HEDE HEL)	113	21.2619
English holly (ILEX AQU)	110	0.7139
Wild chervil (ANTH SYL)	98	3.2645
Hairy cat's-ear (HYPO RAD)	95	7.3326
Gorse (ULEX EUR)	80	3.4094
Poison hemlock (CONI MAC)	63	43.0029
Burdock species (ARCT SPP)	62	3.0107
Dalmatian toadflax (LINA DAL)	58	-0.8993
Sulphur cinquefoil (POTE REC)	56	1.3781
Daphne / spurge laurel (DAPH LAU)	55	8.8469
Chicory (CICH INT)	40	0.6214
Cutleaf blackberry (RUBU LAC)	36	1.8264
Creeping buttercup (RANU REP)	35	0.2027
Groundsel (SENE VUL)	31	7.564
Spotted knapweed (CENT BIE)	31	1.9413
Field bindweed (CONV ARV)	28	-0.903
Meadow knapweed (CENT DEB)	27	0.9991
Purple loosestrife (LYTH SAL)	27	0.2071
Policeman's helmet / himalayan balsam (IMPA GLA)	22	0.437
Sheep sorrel (RUME ACE)	21	3.2775
Lady's-thumb (POLY PER)	21	1.7874
Orange hawkweed (HIER AUR)	20	1.0871
Blueweed (ECHI VUL)	19	3.2465
Yellow hawkweed species (HIER SPP)	17	0.152
Garden yellow loosestrife (LYSI VUL)	16	0.3809

Teasel (DIPS FUL)	15	0.0588
Cherry laurel (PRUN LAU)	14	0.0434
Mullein (VERB THA)	13	0.0137
Queen anne's lace / wild carrot (DAUC CAR)	11	1.5073
Sowthistle species (SONC SPP)	11	1.5049
Scotch thistle (ONOP ACA)	10	7.4118
Yellow/common toadflax (LINA VUL)	9	0.1352
Bur chervil (ANTH CAU)	8	0.4388
Black knapweed (CENT NIG)	8	0.0132
Scentless chamomile (MATR PER)	8	-0.5602
Tree of heaven (AILA ALT)	7	0.0218
Yellow archangel (LAMI GAL)	6	0.5596
Herb robert (GERA ROB)	6	0.0345
Caraway (CARU CAR)	5	1.55
Jointed goatgrass (AEGI CYL)	5	0.08
Perennial sow thistle (SONC ARV)	5	0.0228
Flat pea / flat peavine (LATH SYL)	5	0.0135
Himalayan knotweed (POLY POL)	4	0.025
Milk thistle (SILY MAR)	4	0.0171
Sweet fennel (FOEN VUL)	4	0.0023
Curly leaf pondweed (POTA CRI)	3	21.15
Parrot feather (MYRI AQU)	3	2.7511
Bigleaf periwinkle / large periwinkle (VINC MAJ)	3	1.6051
Wild buckwheat (POLY CON)	3	0.0308
Annual sow thistle (SONC OLE)	3	0.0035
Eurasian watermilfoil (MYRI SPI)	2	118
Fragrant water lily (NYMP ODO)	2	23.003
European waterlily (NYMP ALB)	2	18.9
Hoary alyssum (BERT INC)	2	0.18
Nightshade (SOLA SPP)	2	0.0501
Yellow hawkweed (HIER PRA)	2	0.013
Butterfly bush (BUDD DAV)	2	0.0127
Knapweed species (CENT SPP)	2	0.004
Hound's-tongue (CYNO OFF)	2	0.0002
Night-flowering catchfly (SILE NOC)	1	0.12
Giant mannagrass / reed sweetgrass (GLYC MAX)	1	0.025
Carpet burweed (SOLI SES)	1	0.02
Cheatgrass / downy brome (BROM TEC)	1	0.01
Bristly locust / rose acacia (ROBI HIS)	1	0.006
Smooth hawkweed (HIER LAE)	1	0.003
Western goat's-beard (TRAG DUB)	1	0.002
Leafy spurge (EUPH ESU)	1	0.0002
Chilean tarweed (MADI SAT)	1	0.0001
Dodder (CUSC SPP)	1	0.0001
Diffuse knapweed (CENT DIF)	1	
Grand total	7553	1652.4716