

Regional District of Nanaimo Recorded Invasive Species

A list of all recorded invasive species currently in the **Regional District of Nanaimo**. 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)	1778	649.9665
Canada thistle (CIRS ARV)	1023	133.0275
Himalayan blackberry (RUBU ARM)	1013	177.107
Japanese knotweed (FALL JAP)	720	24.1211
Bull thistle (CIRS VUL)	657	64.4387
Common tansy (TANA VUL)	601	81.8597
Oxeye daisy (LEUC VUL)	579	127.4668
St. John's wort/Saint John's wort/ Goatweed (HYPE PER)	579	112.5621
Tansy ragwort (SENE JAC)	502	63.1156
Giant hogweed (HERA MAN)	466	27.7694
Yellow hawkweed species (HIER SPP)	274	4.35
Spotted knapweed (CENT BIE)	215	7.8976
Yellow iris (IRIS PSE)	183	37.1217
Curled dock (RUME CRI)	178	16.5413
Gorse (ULEX EUR)	118	62.3968
Caraway (CARU CAR)	116	26.135
Bohemian knotweed (FALL BOH)	102	42.2571
Sulphur cinquefoil (POTE REC)	86	1.4791
English holly (ILEX AQU)	85	262.2686
Wild chervil (ANTH SYL)	77	7.0689
Daphne / spurge laurel (DAPH LAU)	75	265.7303
Dense-flowered cordgrass (SPAR DEN)	73	1.9281
Giant knotweed (FALL SAC)	68	0.9625
Flat pea / flat peavine (LATH SYL)	68	5.0633
English ivy (HEDE HEL)	64	14.4522
Queen anne's lace / wild carrot (DAUC CAR)	59	1.5843
Hairy cat's-ear (HYPO RAD)	51	25.5492
Groundsel (SENE VUL)	38	8.0114
Blueweed (ECHI VUL)	35	5.8911
Sheep sorrel (RUME ACE)	32	2.673
Chicory (CICH INT)	32	5.5481
Burdock species (ARCT SPP)	27	0.1144
Purple loosestrife (LYTH SAL)	26	-0.4179
Policeman's helmet / himalayan balsam (IMPA GLA)	25	0.4334
Knapweed species (CENT SPP)	22	0.0233
Dalmatian toadflax (LINA DAL)	22	0.4624
Butterfly bush (BUDD DAV)	21	0.1163
Bur chervil (ANTH CAU)	20	1.5032
Yellow hawkweed (HIER PRA)	20	0.201
Poison hemlock (CONI MAC)	19	0.228

Sowthistle species (SONC SPP)	19	0.3905
Sweet fennel (FOEN VUL)	18	0.223
Teasel (DIPS FUL)	17	0.1784
Diffuse knapweed (CENT DIF)	17	-3.067
Scotch thistle (ONOP ACA)	16	2.2935
Annual sow thistle (SONC OLE)	15	2.7295
Tree of heaven (AILA ALT)	13	0.5353
Perennial sow thistle (SONC ARV)	13	0.0392
Mullein (VERB THA)	12	0.7263
Field bindweed (CONV ARV)	11	-0.9323
Meadow knapweed (CENT DEB)	11	0.1413
Orange hawkweed (HIER AUR)	9	0.0173
Yellow archangel (LAMI GAL)	8	0.049
Bigleaf periwinkle / large periwinkle (VINC MAJ)	7	1.9021
Cutleaf blackberry (RUBU LAC)	7	0.1187
Scentless chamomile (MATR PER)	6	0.5731
Herb robert (GERA ROB)	6	0.037
Eurasian watermilfoil (MYRI SPI)	6	117.66
Yellow/common toadflax (LINA VUL)	6	-0.548
Himalayan knotweed (POLY POL)	6	0.0623
Salt-meadow cord grass (SPAR PAT)	5	0.1032
Common periwinkle (VINC MIN)	5	0.105
Maltese star thistle (CENT MEL)	5	0.3324
Japanese butterbur (PETA JAP)	5	0.0135
Dodder (CUSC SPP)	4	0.391
Fragrant water lily (NYMP ODO)	4	14.1002
Milk thistle (SILY MAR)	3	0.0503
Garden yellow loosestrife (LYSI VUL)	3	0.0055
Nodding thistle (CARD NUT)	3	0.004
Spanish bluebells (HYAC HIS)	3	0.0054
Lady's-thumb (POLY PER)	3	1.008
Dame's rocket (HESP MAT)	2	0.0065
White cockle (LYCH ALB)	2	0.005
Old man's beard / traveller's joy (CLEM VIT)	2	0.022
Parrot feather (MYRI AQU)	2	0.0166
White spanish broom (CYTI MUL)	2	4.7
Black locust (ROBI PSE)	2	0.0006
Carpet burweed (SOLI SES)	2	0.075
Curly leaf pondweed (POTA CRI)	2	17.9
Western goat's-beard (TRAG DUB)	2	3.5
Purple deadnettle (LAMI PUR)	2	0.0004
Creeping buttercup (RANU REP)	1	0.001
Bladder campion (SILE VUL)	1	0.0001
Nightshade (SOLA SPP)	1	0.07
Cypress spurge (EUPH CYP)	1	0.0005
Black knapweed (CENT NIG)	1	0.002
Common comfrey (SYMP OFF)	1	0.003
Green foxtail / green bristlegrass (SETA VIR)	1	0.1

Hedge false bindweed (CALY SEP)	1	0.0001
Yellow floating heart (NYMP PEL)	1	0.795
Mountain bluet (CENT MON)	1	0.0001
Large yellow loosestrife / spotted loosestrife (LYSI PUN)	1	0.0002
Japanese wireweed (SARG MUT)	1	0.0001
Leafy spurge (EUPH ESU)	1	0.009
Shepherd's-purse (CAPS BUR)	1	0.002
Garlic mustard (ALLI PET)	1	0.0001
Grand Total	10450	2435.4651