

# GYCC TERRESTRIAL INVASIVE SPECIES

12 FEDERAL UNITS, 7 COUNTIES

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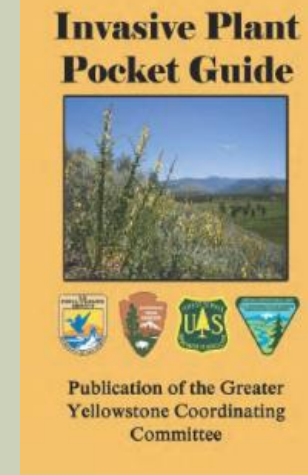
Mission: Work cooperatively to protect, preserve, and rehabilitate natural ecosystems throughout the Greater Yellowstone Area (GYA) from the impact of invasive species.

## GOALS

1. Address terrestrial invasive species management at a landscape scale through inventory, prevention, early detection rapid response, education and integrated weed management practices.
2. Identify and recommend Terrestrial Invasive Species priorities within the GYA.
3. Coordinate management activities between units and organizations within the GYA, minimize duplication of efforts.

## ■ Outputs:

- GIS/GPS Database and Inventory
- Prevention and Early Detection Rapid Response (alerts and programs)
- Educational programs that reach out to the variety of people who live in, travel through, or have an interest in the well-being of the GYA; support the Play Clean Go message.
- Integrated Weed Management/Best Management Practices (ie. Gravel Pit Certification/Weed Free Forage Certification Programs).
- FY21 – Strategic Assessment



# GYCC INVASIVE SPECIES ASSESSMENT

FOR TERRESTRIAL AND AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES

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**Purpose:** conduct an independent ecosystem wide survey and assessment of programs for invasive species management within the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem (GYE).

**Priorities:**

1. Use this survey in an assessment of existing programmatic operations for coordination, prevention, detection, data collection / distribution, rapid response protocol, and follow-up management of invasive species.
2. Develop a GYCC Invasive Species Strategic Plan for review by the GYCC Terrestrial Invasive Species / Aquatic Invasive Species subcommittees and GYCC managers.

■ **Outputs:**

- Recommendations and alternatives for coordinated programmatic operations and management approaches, operational tactics, and implementation strategies.
- Species listing criteria utilized by all entities and guidance for prioritizing invasive species across jurisdictional boundaries.

