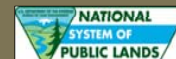
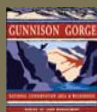


Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area

HELP STOP...

the spread of invasive weeds along the Gunnison River and in wetlands



Wanted (Dead, Not Alive):

Do your part and memorize these mug shots!

Whitetop



Canada thistle



Oxeye daisy



Yellow toadflax



Tamarisk



Russian knapweed



Russian olive



Crimes committed:

- These seedy desperados are notorious for....
- Choking and the deliberate takeover of native plants
- Stealing habitat, water and food from native waterfowl, fish and other wildlife
- Corrupting and invading wetlands, riparian areas, roadsides, recreation areas and agricultural lands
- Increasing sedimentation in rivers and streams
- Wreaking havoc and mayhem on innocent, unsuspecting ecosystems

Join the Invasive Weed Patrol:

- Learn how to identify high-priority invasive weeds
- Remove all weed seeds from clothing, shoes, pets, camping gear and vehicles
 - Stay on established roads and trails
- Report any sightings to local land managers (BLM: 970-240-5300; Montrose County: 970-249-5216; Delta County: 970-872-1000)
- Pulling them will not help! -These weeds are perennial (long-lived) plants with extensive root systems. They require a combination of control measures.

Your Reward:

- Improved recreational experiences
- Healthy wildlife habitat and natural ecosystems
 - Improved river access
 - More productive fisheries
 - Saving tax payers' money
- Protection and preservation of your public lands for future generations



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