After the Fire

Restore and Protect Our Western Ecosystems
Weeds are likely to invade burned areas. Watch for these and other invaders:

**SPOTTED KNAPWEED**
*Centaurea maculosa*

Increases soil erosion and produces up to 1,000 seeds per plant.

**Dalmatian Toadflax**
*Linaria dalmatica*

Looks like snapdragons and grows easily in almost any ecosystem.

**Downy Brome, or Cheatgrass**
*Bromus tectorum*

Produces fine-textured plant fuel that promotes more frequent and larger wildfires.

**Yellow Starthistle**
*Centaurea solstitialis*

Germinates rapidly and drastically reduces forage for livestock and wildlife.

**Now is the time to:**
- Survey burned areas for weeds
- Report weed infestations
- Promptly treat weed infestations
- Restore groundcover in burned areas to prevent weed invasion

**Report weeds to:**
- County Weed District
- County Extension Office
- State Dept. of Agriculture
- Forest Service
- Bureau of Land Management
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- National Park Service

**Center for Invasive Plant Management**

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