

CONSERVE OUR CANYON

A cooperative effort to protect the Gallatin Canyon from the threats of invasive species.

PROJECT PARTNERS



PROJECT FUNDERS



The Upper Gallatin Watershed encompasses some of the most ecologically and economically important resources in our county, which provide vital habitat and water for fish, plants, wildlife, and the people who live and recreate in the area.



The presence of noxious weeds in the Gallatin Canyon is directly attributed to human activity, such as construction, recreation, and travel.

The COC cooperative project aims to facilitate effective management of noxious weeds in the Gallatin Canyon to protect its natural resources to the benefit of all who live, visit, and rely upon them.



2023 EFFORTS

2023 FIELD WORK

Prior to the scheduled June work week, we scouted past treatment sites and ranked them by priority.

Crew members from Custer Gallatin National Forest (CGNF), Montana Conservation Corps Wildlands Restoration Team, Gallatin County Weed District and Grow Wild joined on June 20 for four days of noxious weed management at heavily used public lands, such as trailheads, fishing access sites, campgrounds, forest service roads, and river restoration sites. As it rained one of the four days, crews defaulted to pulling weeds.

While our team has been working cooperatively with CGNF to manage invasive plants in the Gallatin Canyon since 2007, the program was formalized in 2019, which is reflected in the numbers below.

LOCATIONS

Shenango Helibase Indian Ridge Trailhead Twin Cabin Trailhead Greek Creek Campground Upper Deer Creek / Deer Creek Restoration Area Moose Creek Campground Portal Creek FS Road Bighorn Range



2023

8 # Sites Treated
37 # Acres Treated
102 # Acres Covered
\$3,375 Contributed Funds
\$7,919 Matching Funds



5 Years 74 # Sites Treated 410 # Acres Treated 1,458 # Acres Covered \$18,075 Contributed Funds \$55,142 Matching Funds