

Area residents and property owners can play a crucial part in the regional effort to eradicate invasive plants in the Carlsbad Watershed.

WHAT CAN I DO?


Start by removing invasive plants on your property. Here's how:


1 . IDENTIFY Find out which plants in your property are invasive. Learn about the most problematic plants and download our color brochure on invasive plants at www.carlsbadwatershednetwork.org.

2 . REMOVE: Pull out and discard invasive into the trash bins. Do not mulch. Instructions on removing invasive plants are on our web site.

3 . REPLANT: Select wisely and replant native or non-invasive plants. Choose from a list of alternative plants found in the brochure and approved by the California Invasive Plant Council.

WHAT ELSE CAN I DO?

 Ask your family, friends and neighbors to remove invasive plants from their property.

 Get your HOA to remove invasive plants from common grounds.

DO NOT PLANT - REMOVE



Arundo



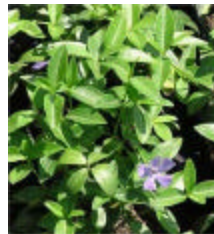
Pampas Grass



Sea Fig (Ice Plant)



Castor Bean



Vinca



Asphodelus **New!**

Learn more about these and other invasive plants by visiting:
www.carlsbadwatershednetwork.org



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No Invasives in My Backyard (NIIMBY) is a project of the Carlsbad Watershed Network (CWN) funded in part with the State of California Prop. 13, Invasive Removal Grant. CWN is a coalition of cities, nonprofits, and agencies working together to protect, restore, and enhance the quality and beneficial use of water, habitats, and other natural resources of the Carlsbad Hydrologic Unit and adjacent coastal shoreline.

NO INVASIVES IN MY BACK YARD



IDENTIFY

REMOVE

REPLANT

*Help rid our watershed
of invasive plants!*

INVASIVE PLANTS THREATEN NATIVE PLANTS AND WILDLIFE...

Invasive weeds are generally non-native plants introduced to this area from other parts of the world. These plants have spread at an alarming rate because, unlike native species, there are no native insects, fungi, or diseases to control their growth and spread in this country. Invasive both plants and animals are currently the most devastating element in our environment. Invasive plants affect many businesses from fisheries to agriculture, destroy natural habitats and more worsen flooding and fires.

Many of these invasive plants have come into backyards as volunteers or through unknowing landscapers and gardeners.

*You may have an **invasive**
in your backyard!*

Help us by removing invasive plants on your property. This will help ensure that millions already being spent on invasive removal are not a waste of resources

START IN YOUR "BACKYARD"

We need you to start in your backyard. Simply identify if you have invasive plants, remove and dispose as trash, and replant with native and non-invasive plants. See back panel of this brochure and visit our website more detailed information: www.carlsbadwatershednetwork.org.

You can make a difference!

Your participation in this region wide project will help restore and protect our native plants and wildlife and restore the natural functioning of our watershed.

WE ALL BENEFIT FROM NATURAL HABITATS

The natural habitat is an interdependent ecosystem of plants and animals. When the natural environment is intact, it filters water, recharges underground aquifers, filters air, prevent soil erosion, provides oxygen, contributes to temperature control, provides food, nesting, and habitat for wildlife as well as places for our leisure and outdoor activities.

A critical part of the natural environment are plants considered "native" because they are an integral part of eco-system that supports animal life, provides natural checks and balances on plant and animal populations, and serve to manage the flow of water.

What is a watershed? An area of land in which waters drain down slope, along a drainage to a common lowest point or basin. We all live in a watershed.

Non-native, invasive plants are well adapted to this climate, BUT DO NOT PROVIDE these services.



The goal is to remove non-native invasive plants so that native vegetation can restore the Carlsbad Hydrologic Unit (CHU) to the optimum level of ecosystem services, preserve the natural beauty, and eliminate the necessity for the residents of the CHU to "pay" for these services such as flood control "out of pocket" through property losses and public funds.

HAVE A BIG PROBLEM... NEED HELP?

Call us and we will visit your property and help you to identify the invasive and provide advice and assistance in eradication. Call today and help us rid our watershed of invasive plants. Call 760-427-2665.

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