

## **Brookings Municipal Code sections pertaining to Gorse and other noxious vegetation**

### **Section 8.05.030 Duties and responsibilities of citizens**

C. It shall be unlawful for the owner, occupant, agent, or other person in possession of any lot, tract, or parcel of land within the corporate limits of the city of Brookings to permit grass or other vegetation to grow in a manner that is determined to be a fire hazard by the fire marshal. [Ord. 10-O-671 § 2; Ord. 09-O-643 § 2; Ord. 07-O-591 § 2; Ord. 59-O-134 § 5. Formerly 8.05.020.]

### **Section 8.15.050 Noxious Vegetation.**

The Department of Agriculture has declared many species of vegetation to be a menace to the public welfare (ORS 570.505). A list of the vegetation covered under this declaration may be found in OAR 603-052-1200. It shall be unlawful for the owner, occupant, agent, or other person in possession of any lot, tract, or parcel of land within the corporate limits of the City of Brookings to permit the following:

A. The growth or propagation of gorse. The City may allow an abatement plan to be filed if it is determined that the gorse infestation is severe enough to merit a long range eradication program.

B. The uncontrolled growth of nuisance vegetation, nuisance vegetation is defined as vegetation that;

- Encroaches onto the property of another, the encroachment must be by the plant itself and not by seed or underground root systems; and
- Is listed in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR 603-052-1200). [Ord. 10-O-671 § 3; Ord. 07-O-591 § 2; Ord. 93-O-406.A §§ 5, 6; Ord. 93-O-134.A § 2; Ord. 86-O-406 § 5; Ord. 59-O-134 § 8.]

### **Section 8.15.110 Penalties**

Pursuant to Chapter 1.05 BMC