

Wicked Weeds

Bartlettina

Weeds are one of the biggest threats to New Zealand's environment.

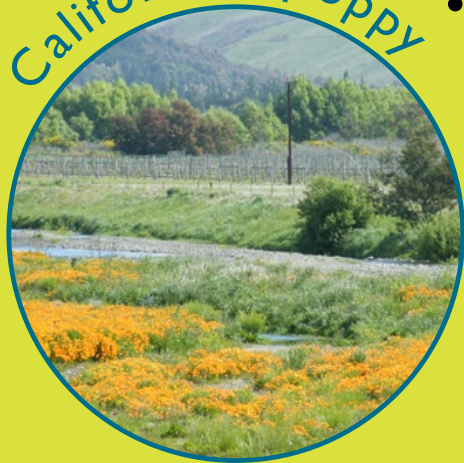
They can be groundcovers, small flowering plants, clambering vines or even large trees. They can have pretty flowers or nasty spines. They are spread by wind, water, birds or people.

But they all invade natural areas and damage native ecosystems.

Wilding conifers



Californian poppy



- Weeds smother forests, making it hard for native plants and wildlife to survive.
- Weeds block waterways, preventing access for recreation and increasing the risk of flooding.
- Weeds choke lakes, degrading water quality and destroying native fish habitats.

- Weeds spoil beaches and braided rivers, suppressing native plants and creating hiding places for animals to prey on ground-nesting birds.
- Weeds take over tussock lands, blocking views and squeezing out precious plants and wildlife.



Cape honeyflower

Don't let wicked weeds get their way!

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