

Conspicuous Roadside Exotic Distribution Assessment

Any volunteers?

The "CREDA" scheme is a cooperative project to determine the distribution of about 25 conspicuous exotic roadside weeds in the South Island. About ten botanists from around the South Island have been involved in this scheme for the past three years.

The scheme is designed so recording can be done during travel for other purposes. The species are chosen so they can be recognised whilst travelling at normal speeds. (Of course, there is occasional need to stop at first to check, to build up familiarity with some species or to check a doubtful plant.)

We hope to complete the scheme this summer. There are a number of sections of road still unrecorded, or recorded only once, mainly in Southland (up to Milford and Glenorchy), but also in other parts of the South Island.

An identification guide is available to help with any species you are not familiar with.

If you will be travelling and would like to help, please contact Dr J.B. Wilson, Botany Dept., University of Otago, P.O. Box 56, Dunedin, 771-640 ext 8895.

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