

WANTED



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(Dead, Not Alive)

GREATER PERIWINKLE

(a.k.a. *Vinca major/minor*)

This weedy, seedy, desperado was last seen growing in Springfield

CRIMES COMMITTED:

- ◆ Costing a bundle for taxpayers to control
- ◆ Choking and the deliberate takeover of native plants
- ◆ Stealing land, homes, water, and food from wildlife
- ◆ Invading open lands, roadsides, waterways, and recreation areas
- ◆ Wreaking havoc and mayhem on unsuspecting ecosystems

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES:

Greater Periwinkle (*Vinca major*)

- ◆ Trailing shrub with ascending stems
- ◆ Grows 1 to 3 feet long with dark green leaves
- ◆ Stems have a single five petal violet at the end

Lesser or Common Periwinkle (*Vinca minor*)

- ◆ Low trailing groundcover with dark green leaves
- ◆ Grows 3 to 6 inches tall with thin wiry stems
- ◆ Flowers are a solitary five pedal violet at the end of the stem

CONTROL METHODS:

- ◆ Pull young plants, removing the root, and all plant material
- ◆ Can be mowed very low repeatedly
- ◆ Allow plant material to dry before composting

JOIN THE INVASIVE-WEED PATROL:

- ◆ Notify your neighbors when you spot this weed on their land
- ◆ Remove all weed seeds from clothing, shoes, pets, camping gear, and tires
- ◆ Report any sightings on public lands to your local land managers

REWARD

Healthy waterways and diverse ecosystems on your public lands



Environmental Services Division
(541)726-3694

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Additional Information

Oregon Department of Agriculture: Invasive Species Hotline: 1-866-468-2337

Noxious Weed Control Program: (503)986-4621 or Oregon.gov/ODA/PLANT/index.shtml

Lane County Extension Service: (541)682-4242 or 1-800-872-8980 or Extension.oregonstate.edu/lane/index.php

Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides: (541)344-5044 or Pesticide.org

Native Plant Society of Oregon Emerald Chapter: EmeraldNPSO.org