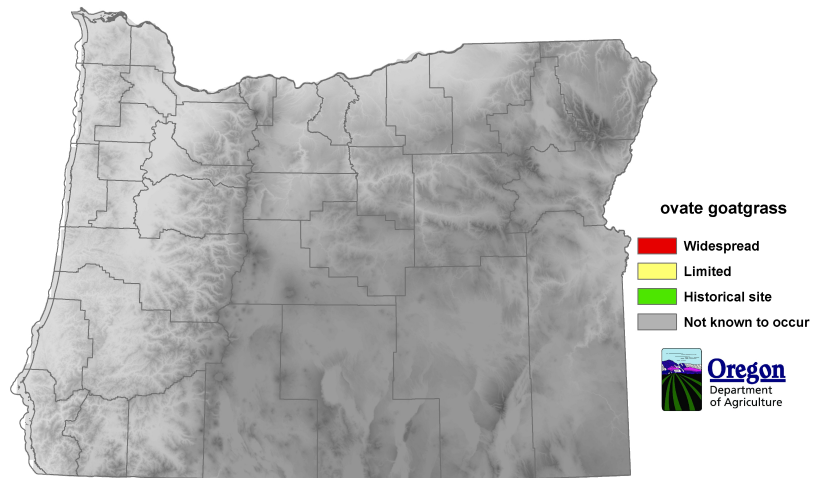


Please call 1-866-invader if you suspect you have found this species

Ovate goatgrass
Aegilops ovata

USDA symbol: AEGE
ODA rating: A



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State of Oregon Geospatial Enterprise Office (GEO)

Introduction: Introduced from the Mediterranean Europe and western Asia. Can be found in California. Not yet reported in Oregon but livestock and equipment movement can facilitate invasion.

Distribution in Oregon: Not known to occur in Oregon at this time.

Description: Winter annual; flowers May to July. Grows 10 inches tall. Similar to barbed and jointed goatgrass except spikes are ovate-cylindric disperse as units at maturity and do not break apart into joints.

Impacts: Goatgrasses are rangeland and dry land crop invaders. This species, aside from invading dry land pastures in California, readily crosses with wheat producing sterile seed and unmarketable wheat.

Biological controls: Biological control agents are not used on "A" listed weeds in Oregon. If this weed is found in the state it will be managed for eradication or containment.

