

SD Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources



INVASIVE SPECIES WATCH LIST

Chondrilla juncea

RUSH SKELETONWEED

Perennial; blooms July to September

Grows 1 to 4 feet tall

Yellow flower 3/4 inch in diameter

Coarse down bent hairs on the lower stem. The stems have almost no leaves.

Spreads primarily by seed

Roots scattered by cultivation



FLOWER
Steve Dewey, Utah State University,
Bugwood.org



PLANT
Utah State University Archive, Utah State
University, Bugwood.org

IMPACTS

Aggressive plant in both rangeland
and cropland

Cereal grain production at risk from
invasion

Reduced yield due to competition

Creates harvest difficulties

Latex sap that is exuded from cuts



Infestation
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