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Comments: Out of the various methods used in the reduction or elimination of these invasive plant species, the use of herbicides is an absolutely terrible option to reintroduce to the ecosystem.

With industry, agriculture and logging, there already exists a bio-accumulation of toxins in both animals and water sources. Spraying steep areas can only result in a runoff into the water table and into streams. There exist methods that are proven effective such as manual and biological plant management that need to be favored and improved upon instead of resorting to a fast and overall toxic approach. There is never any guarantee that herbicides will only target the intended plants.

I oppose the use of herbicides as well as the use of drones for arial spraying in the Siuslaw National Forest. The canopy loss due to clear cutting large portions of the forest in combination with the increased transportation to and from these sites creates a perfect route for these invasive species to take hold.