

PRIORITY NOXIOUS WEEDS PRESENT in the SALMON RIVER WATERSHED

This list is derived from the Noxious Weed Prioritized Species list, which is a part of the Salmon River Restoration Council's Noxious Weed Management Plan for the Salmon River.

These weeds are often found in disturbed sites like roadsides, trailheads and river bars. Watch for them and try not to spread them on clothing, tires, pets, etc.



Spotted knapweed

Centaurea maculosa **Class A**

Short-lived perennial with a stout taproot. One or more branching stems. 1 to 4 ft tall. Basal leaves are feathery and lobed. Flowers at end of the branches have bracts tipped with a dark spot. Flowers pinkish purple with a fuzzy center. Plant smells noxious!

Oblong Spurge
Euphorbia Oblongata **Class B**
A Spring blooming perennial with up to 20 stems on a tough, often red rootstalk. Grows up to 3 ft tall. Leaves alternate, oblong, smooth, with fine toothed margins. It exudes a milky sap that can irritate skin. Numerous yellowish-green bracts and flowers.



Italian thistle
Carduus pycnocephalus **Class C**
Winter annual growing 1 to 3 ft. tall. Erect thistles with prickly winged stems and leaves. Slightly woolly stems. Leaves often faintly mottled with white, mostly covered with woolly hairs. Lower leaves 10-15 cm long, mostly 4-10-lobed. Flowers pink to purple, 1 to 5 in a cluster. Persistent patches of woolly hairs at the base of the spiny bracts.

Sulfur Cinquefoil
Potentilla recta **Class A**
Perennial distinguished from our native cinquefoil by long, stiff hairs sticking straight out on stems and leaves. The hairs are easily seen and create an aura. Pale yellow flowers have 5 heart-shaped petals darkening in the center. The stiff, upright stems bear many Marijuana-like leaves, each with 5-7 toothed leaflets, pointing upward, along the entire length of the branched stem. Blooms from late June through early August.



Scotch broom
Cytisus scoparius **Class C**
Woody shrub, up to 10 ft tall with erect, dark green branches. Most stems star-shaped in cross-section. Leaves are mostly 3-parted and entire. Lots of yellow legume flowers, some petals are partially dark red. Seed pods flat with white hair on the edges. Pods burst apart into spiral halves.

Class A weeds are defined by the State of California as "public nuisances"- aggressive competitors that are targeted for priority eradication before their numbers are too great to successfully eliminate.

Classes B & C are left to the discretion of the Siskiyou County Agriculture Commissioner and the Klamath National Forest.



If you need some help eradicating any of these target weeds from your property, please contact:

Salmon River Restoration Council 530-462-4665 or weeds@srrc.org www.srrc.org

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