PLANT CONTROL

Steven Manning PO Box 50556 Nashville, TN 37205 stevemanning@mindspring.com 615-969-1309 (Cell Phone) www.invasiveplantcontrol.com How Can We Find a way to implement all of the key characteristics of an invasive species management program During Difficult Economic Times?

#### Prevention

Early Detection

Rapid Response

On the Ground Control

Restoration

Monitoring and Maintenance





### **Invasive Plant Management Tools**



#### A Management Guide for Invasive Plants in Southern Forests

James H. Miller, Steven T. Manning, and Stephen F. Enloe



United States Department of Agriculture • Forest Service • Southern Research Station General Technical Report SRS-XXX

### **Other Resources**

- Exotic Pest Plant Councils
- Invasiveplantcontrol.com
- Ipcconnect.com

### Make Use Of Your Friends Organizations

• EPPC's

### • Native Plant Societies

• IPC's





Early Detection | IPANE Species | Volunteer | Related Information | Report a Sighting | Data & Distribution Maps

The Invasive Plant Atlas of New England's (IPANE) mission is to create a comprehensive webaccessible database of invasive and potentially invasive plants in New England that will be continually updated by a network of professionals and trained volunteers. The database will facilitate education and research that will lead to a greater understanding of invasive plant ecology and support informed conservation management. An



important focus of the project is the early detection of, and rapid response to, new invasions.

#### News

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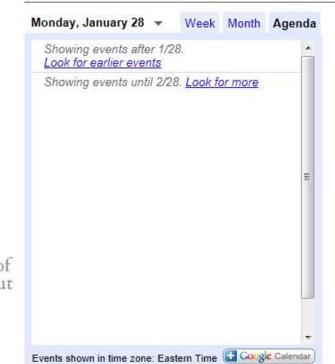




Predictive modeling research and results

Invasive plant management

#### **Calendar of Events**



www.eddmaps.org/ipane/

# Invasive Species Management Concepts



Integrated Pest Management

Control Techniques



Prevention



CISMA's

### Falkland Islands

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South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands

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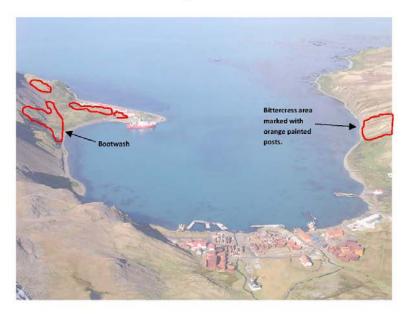
☆King Edward Point

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#### Bittercress at King Edward Point and Grytviken



----- Bittercress infested areas please stay out. If you require access please discuss with GOs.



Bittercress in flower and with seeds pods. If you see this plant outside of the above areas please mark the site and let the GOs know.

#### Wednesday, November 24th 2010

Atlanta to Miami and connect to LAN #501 departing 2140

#### Thursday, November 25th 2010

- Arrive Santiago @ 0605
- Meet & transfer airport-hotel
- Sheraton Santiago 2 nights with Breakfast

#### Friday, November 26th 2010

Layover day

#### Saturday, November 27th, 2010

Santiago-Mount Pleasant on Lan #991 @ 0720-1310

- Transfer hotel-airport in Santiago
- Meeting and transfer Mount Pleasant to Stanley
- Malvina House 2 nights with Hot Breakfast

#### Sunday, November 28th, 2010 - Layover Day

#### Monday, November 29th 2010

 Arrange locally and take taxi to port for embarkation on Patrol ship (These arrangements will have to be developed with Mr. Christie, assumptions are made here)

#### Monday, November 29th, 2010 through Friday, December 3rd, 2010

- Depart Mt Pleasant
- Cruising

#### Friday, December 3rd, 2010

• Arrive South Georgia

Dec 03 - 10	Week #1
Dec 10 - 17	Week #2
Dec 17 - 24	Week #3
Dec 24 - 31	Week #4
Dec 31 - Jan 07	Week #5

#### Sunday, January 9th, 2011 through January 13th, 2011

- Depart South Georgia
- Cruising

#### Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup>

- Arrive Stanley get taxi at port to get to hotel
- Malvina House 2 nights with Hot Breakfast

#### Friday, January 14th, 2011

Layover Day

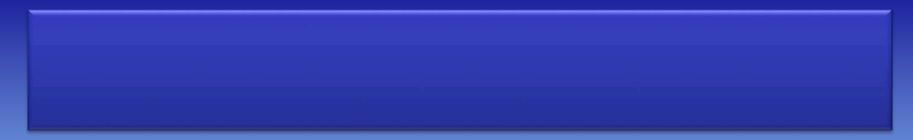
#### Saturday, January 15th, 2011

Mount Pleasant-Santiago on Lan #990 @ 1425-2020

#### CHILL LONDHILL CHILLING CONTRACT USES C. XINC NO.

Cardamine flexuosa on South Georgia, South Atlantic







### Cardamine flexuosa on South Georgia, South Atlantic



## Prevention

## Low Funding Solution...





# **Other Prevention Measures**

Cleaning personal field gear

Cleaning office parking lots

## Cleaning personal field gear

Control of Non-native plants In Natural Areas

Mana

Cleaning personal field gear



Sheilah Kennedy, Owner/Operator S-K Environmental Portable Invasive Species Rinse off and Reclaim System <u>http://s-k-enviro.com</u> <u>shekennedy@hotmail.com</u> 509-322-6909 219 Rodeo Trail Road Okanogan, Washington 98840 U.S.A.

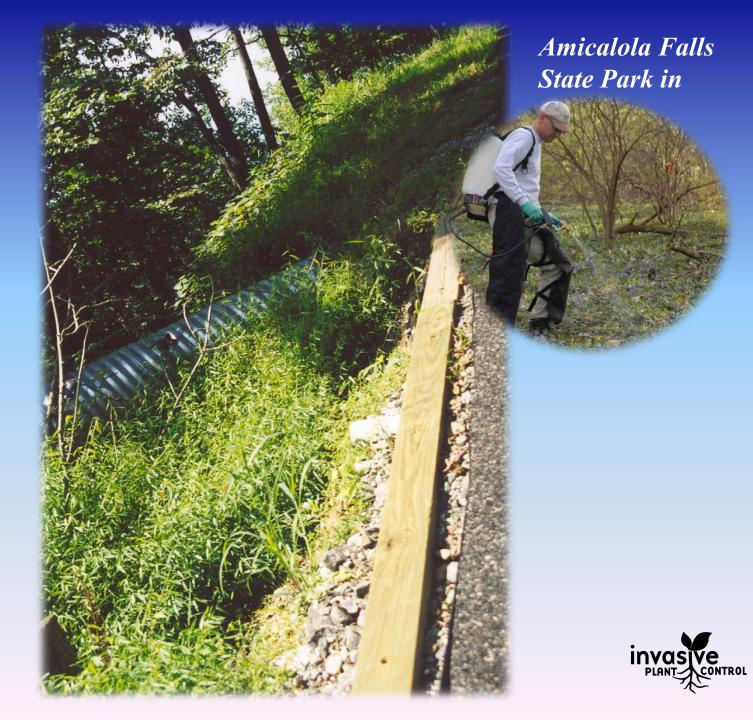


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### I. What is the long term plan for the site?

Understand the Scope of the Project



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### **Nonselective Control**



## Clearly identify the species for control

### Highlight the desirable species



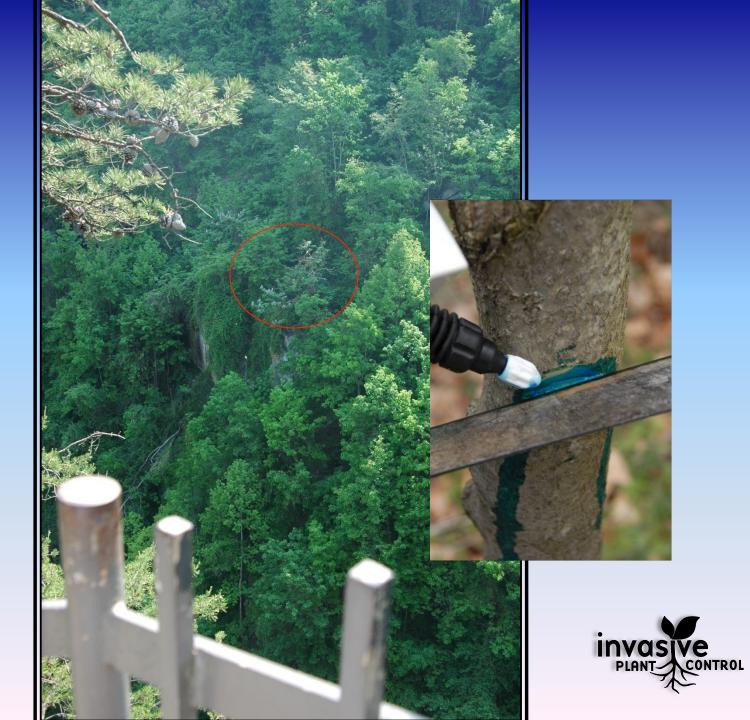
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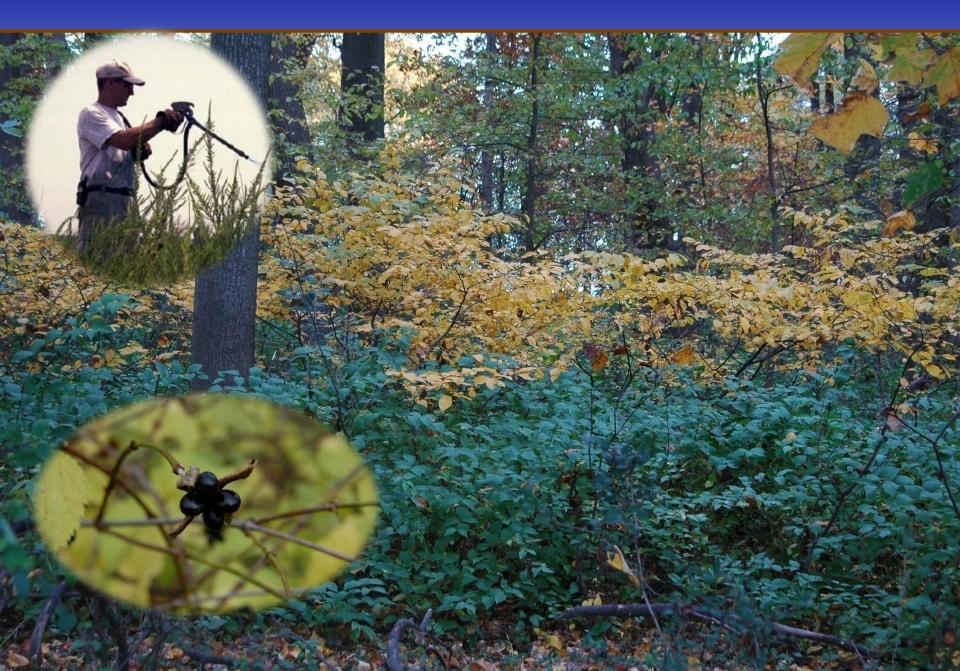
Ailanthus

## Ailanthus????







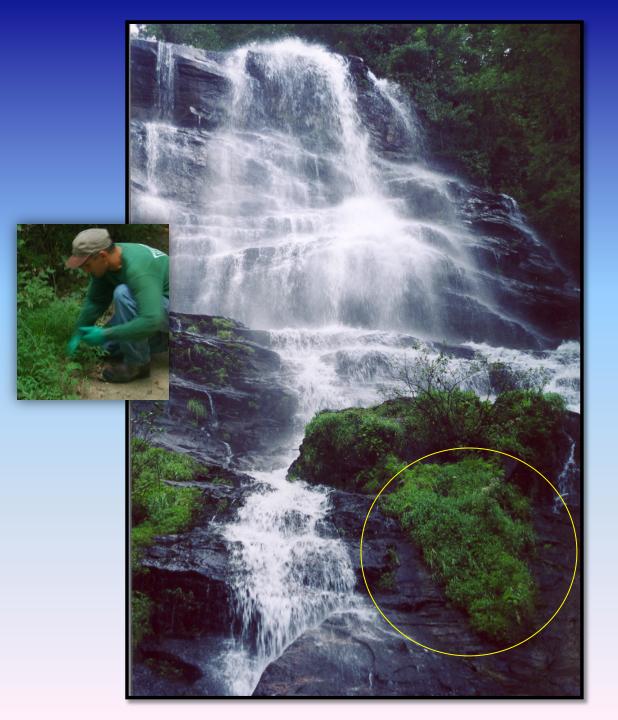


# What herbicides are required?



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Arlington County Parks, VA Lesser Celandine



### Test in the Field

#### **Porcelain Berry** *Ampelopsis Brevipedunculata*

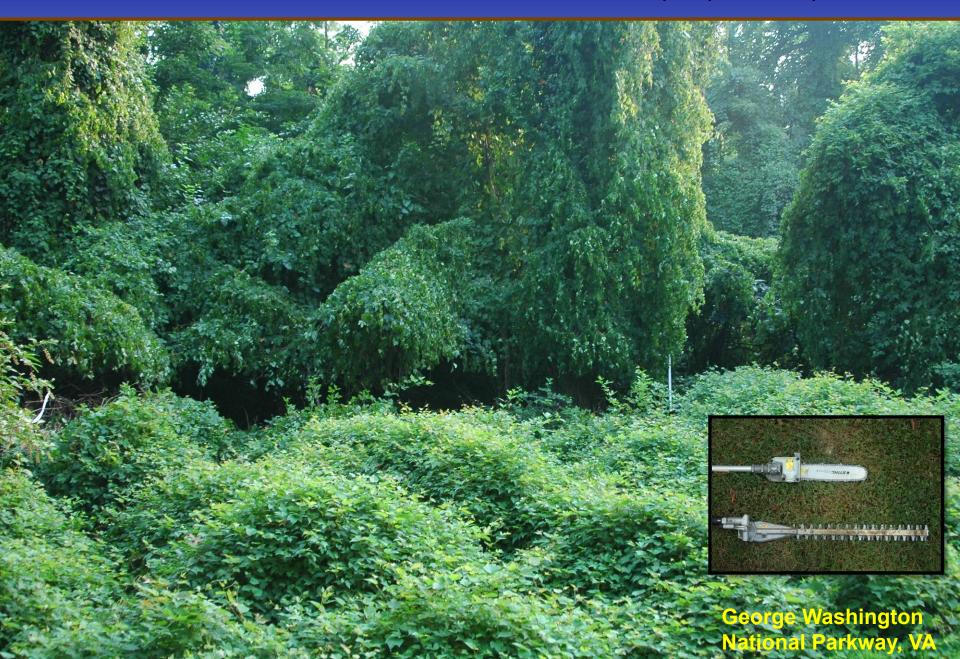


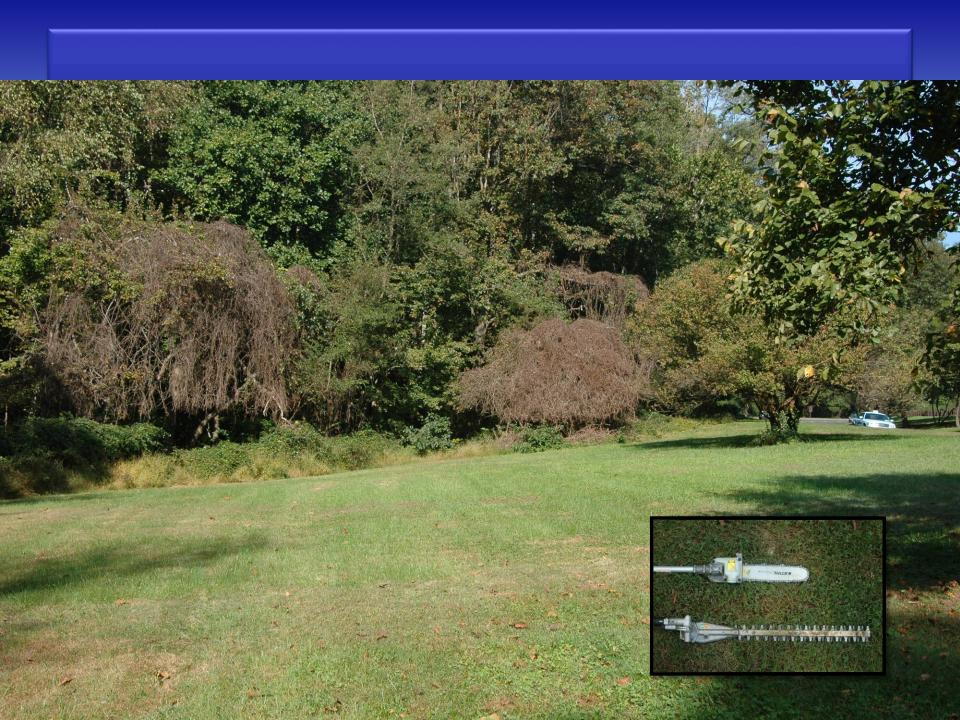
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Which chemicals create more selective control?

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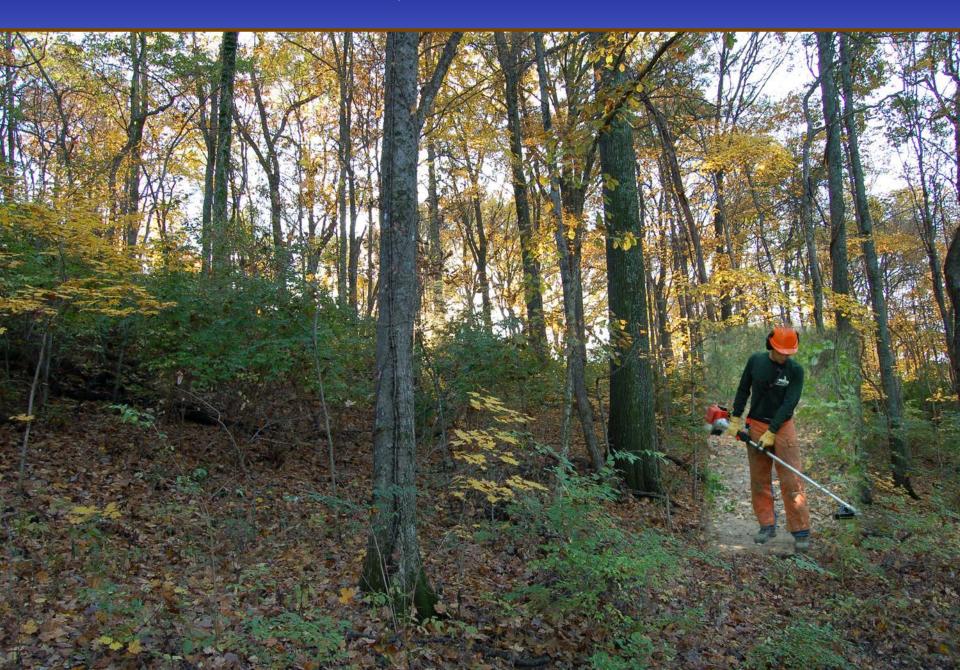
## III. How does the Level of Infestation affect Method you Choose?

- Level One
- Level Two OR
- Level Three
- Level Four
- Level Five

- High Intensity
- Medium Intensity
- Low Intensity

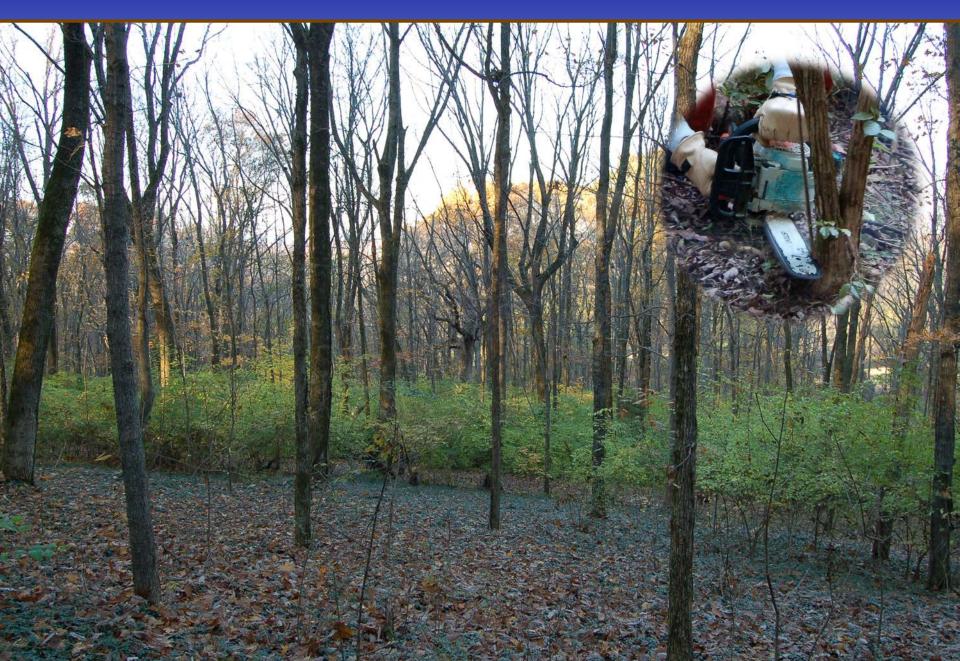


### Level 3 infestation of bush honeysuckle



### Level 3-4 bush honeysuckle

#### Warner Parks, Nashville, TN



# Level 5 infestation of multistemmed and vine species

#### Warner Parks, Nashville, TN



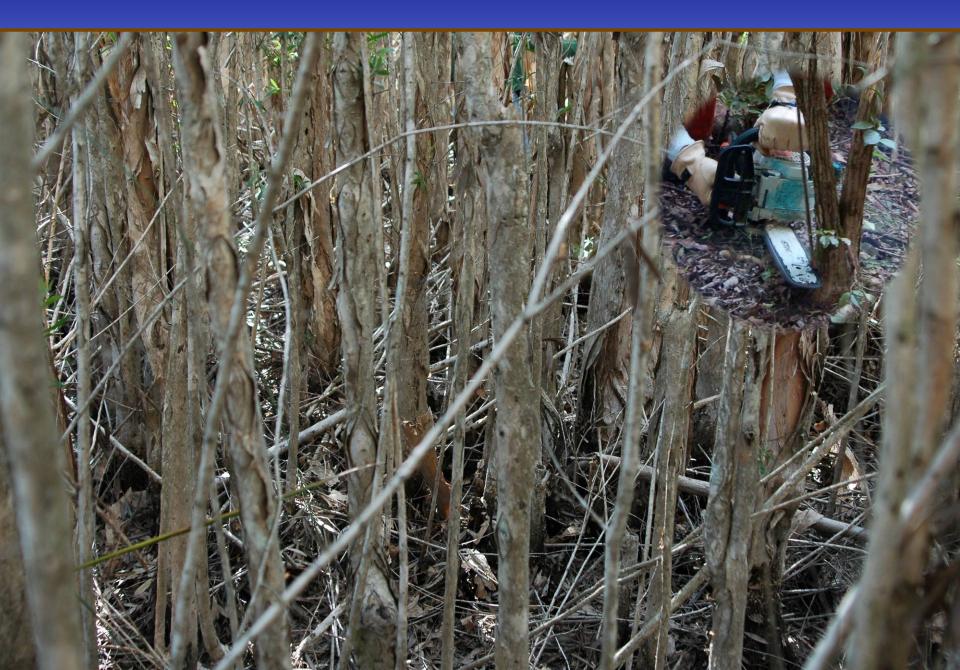
### Level One Tree of Heaven

Arnold Air Force Base, TN



### Level 5 infestation of Malaleuca

#### **Everglades**, FL



### Level 1 infestation

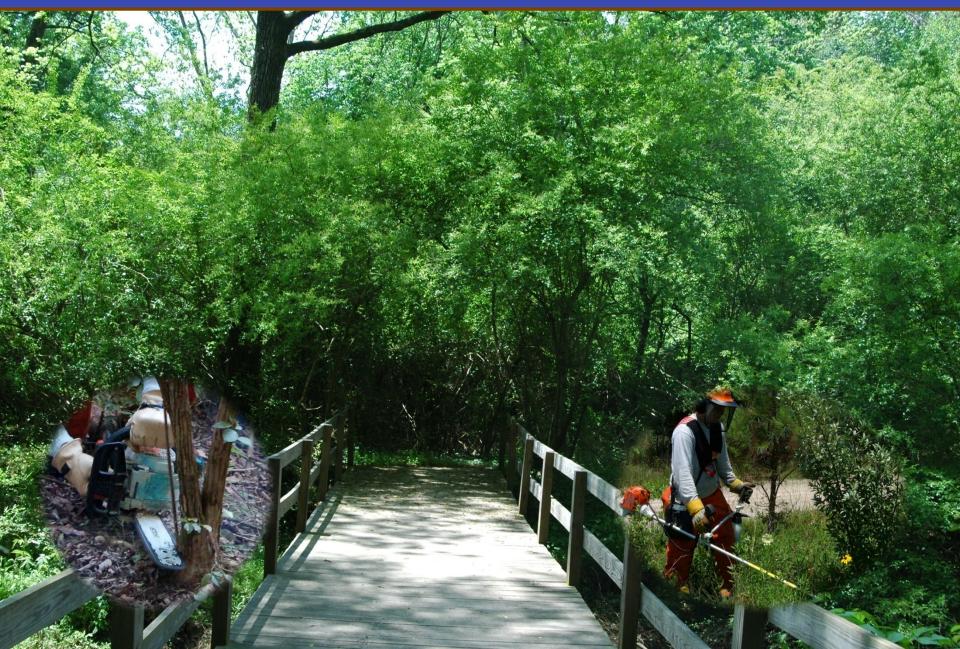


#### Everglades, FL



Intensity for multistemmed species is Level 5 in most parts of the parks understory

Fort Yargo State Park in Georgia



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## V. Type of Labor Available

# Labor Types

## Volunteer Labor

- In House Labor
- Contract Labor

**Infestation Levels** 

**1-2** 1-**2-3** 1-2-**3-4-5** 



## Type of Labor













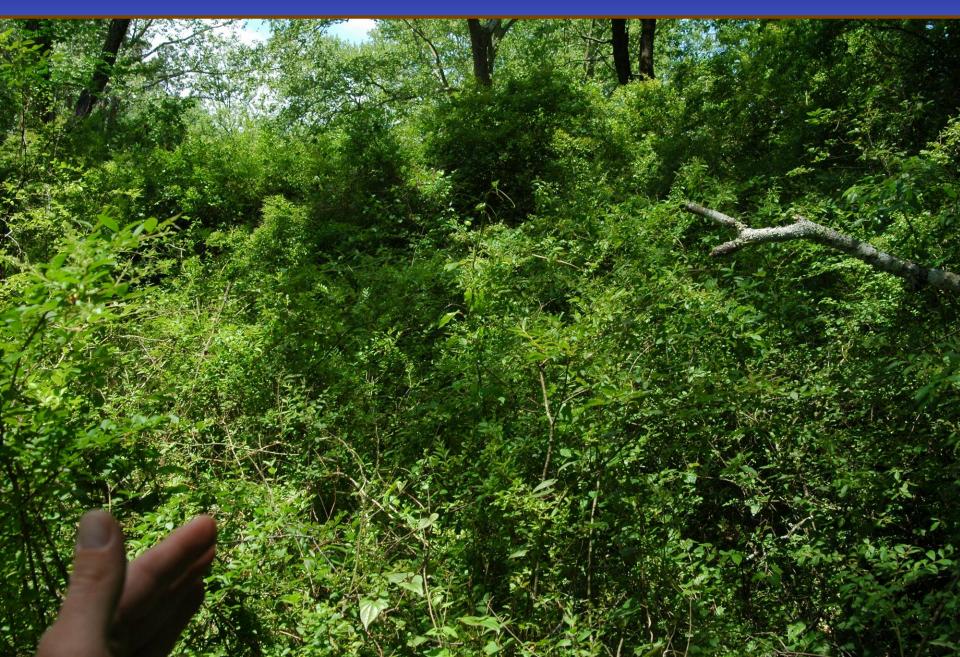


**Privet** *Ligustrum species* 



Birmingham Alabama

### **Privet** *Ligustrum species*



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Garlic Mustard Alliaria petiolata

### Introduced from Europe in 1868 as a medicinal herb

Gettysburg National Battlefield, PA

### Frick Park, Pittsburgh, PA

Garlic Mustard Alliaria petiolata



ven T Manning 615-969-130 vasive Plant Control, <u>Inc.</u>

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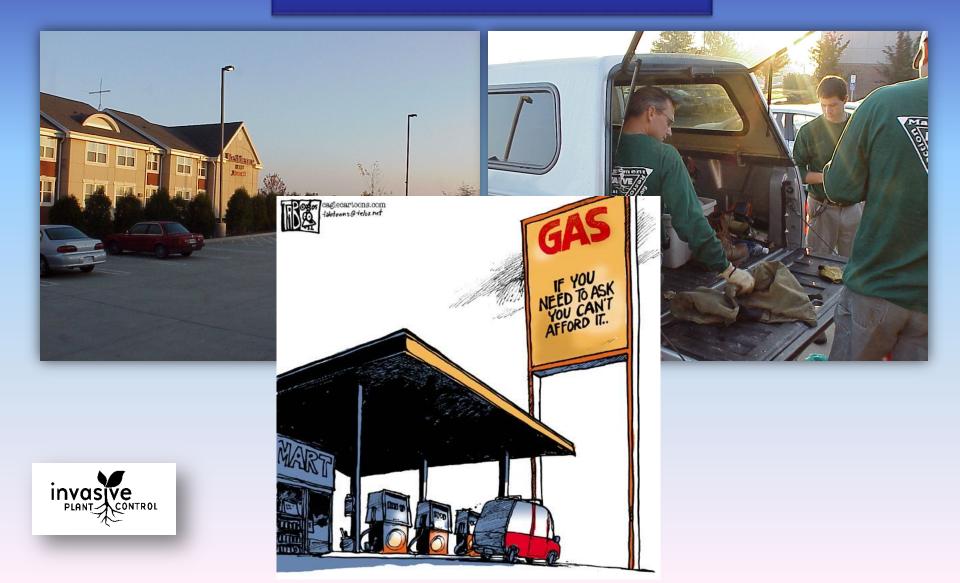
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### On the Ground Management: *Equipment*





# Transit to Site







# Swamp Buggy







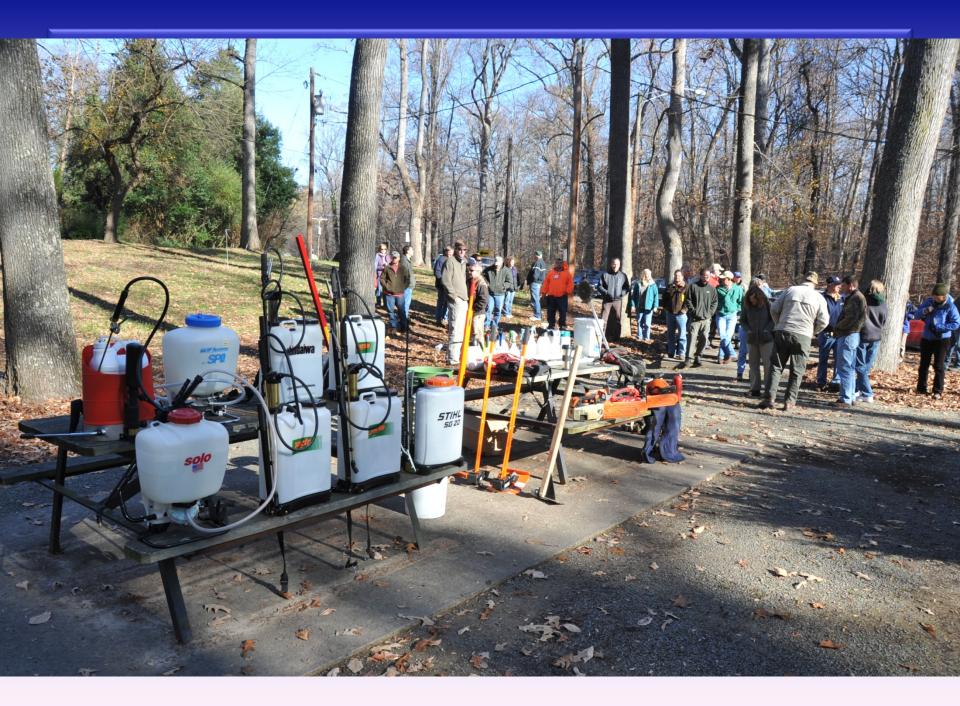






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## Selective Mechanical Tools

- Digging Tools
- Girdling Tools
- Mattocks
- Hand Clippers
- Cutting Tools





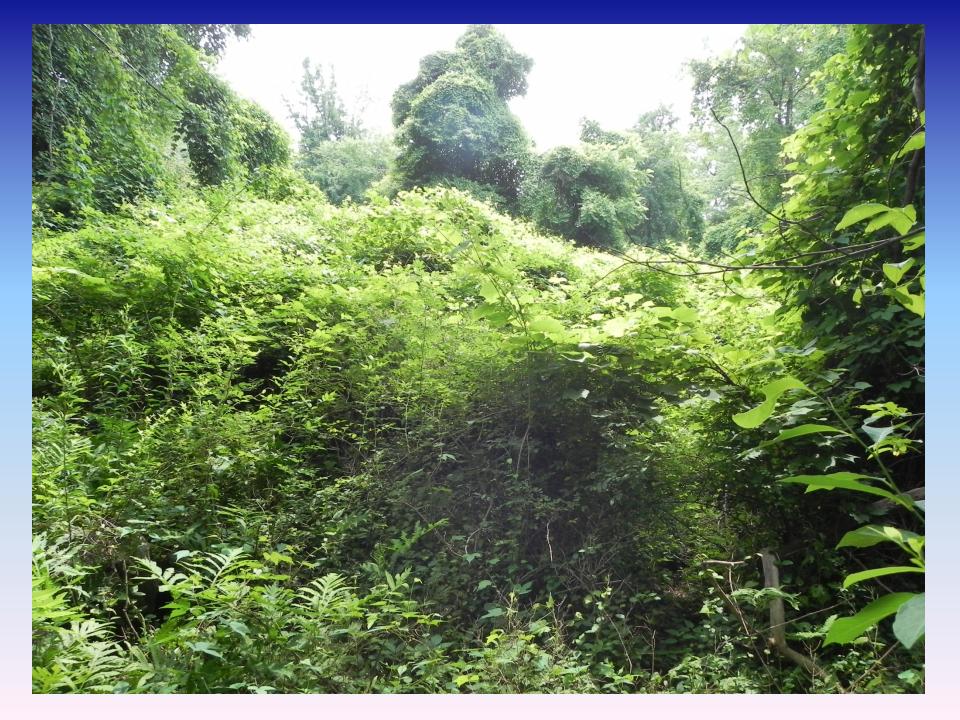




#### Hedge Clippers



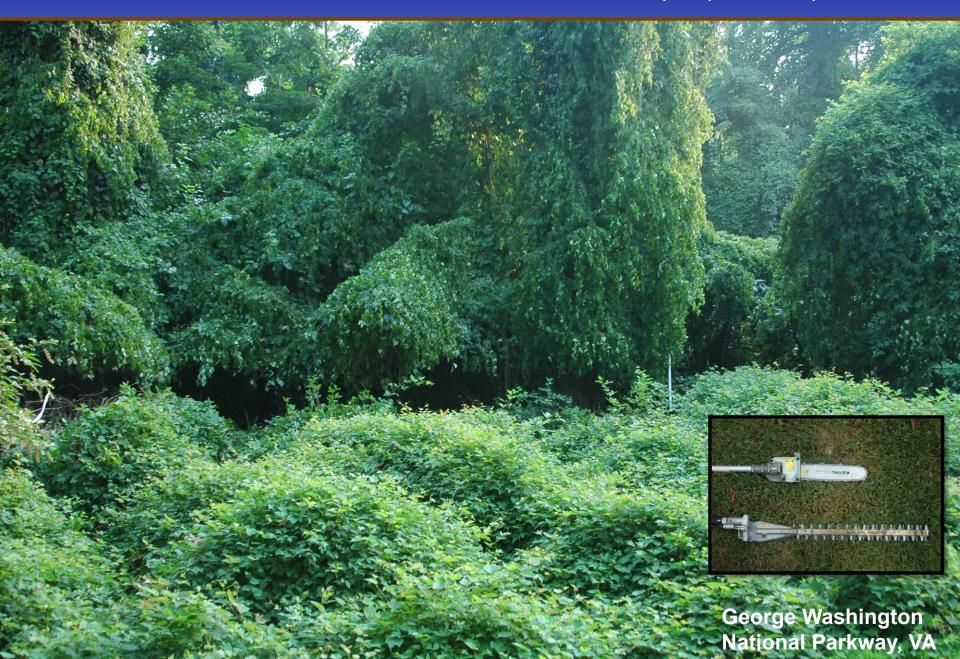








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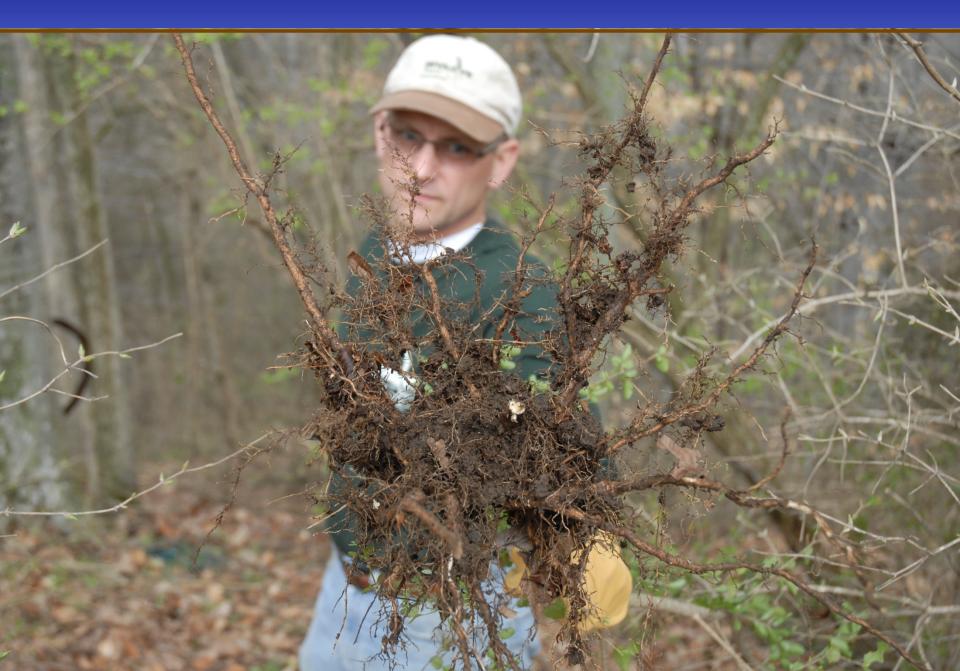






# Root Jack



















Position the Talon,

pull the handle...

...and lever out the plant!

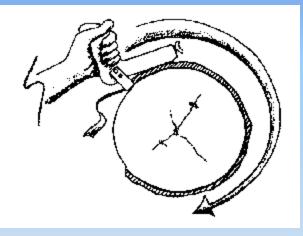
The Root Talon is available for \$47, plus \$5.25 shipping, directly from the manufacturer. Contact: Lampe Design, LLC 262 South Griggs Street St. Paul, MN 55105 (612)699-4963 Email: jklampe@worldnet.att.net

# The Cattail Knife









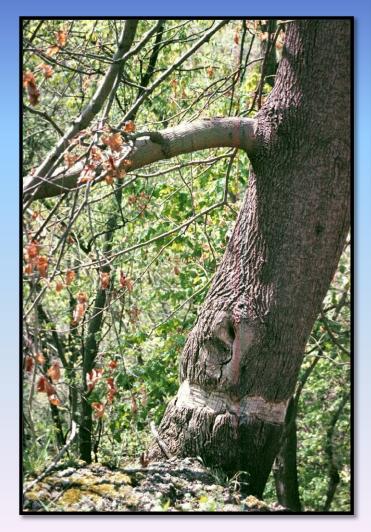
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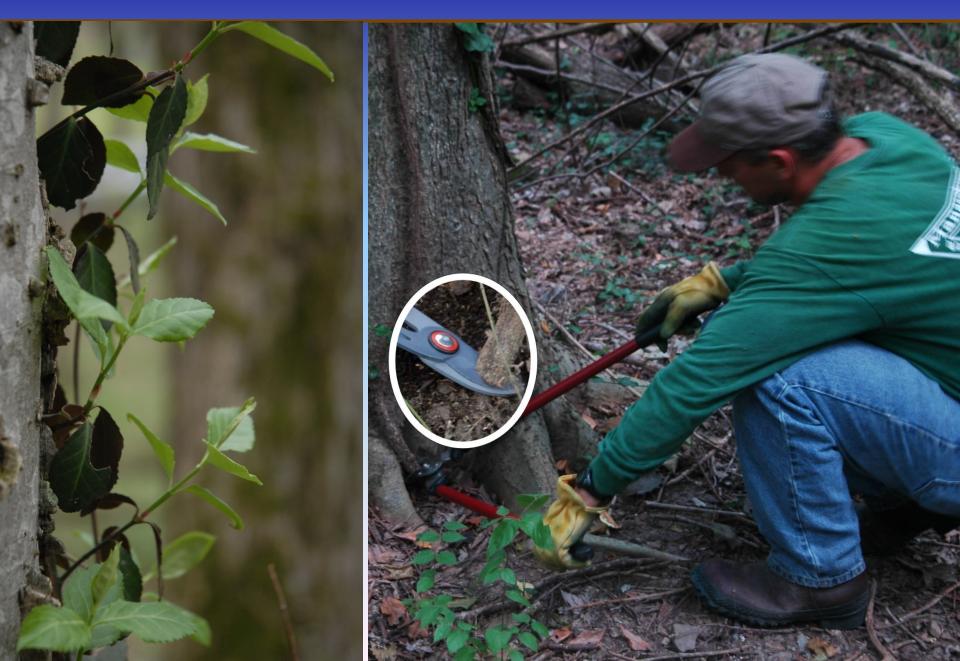


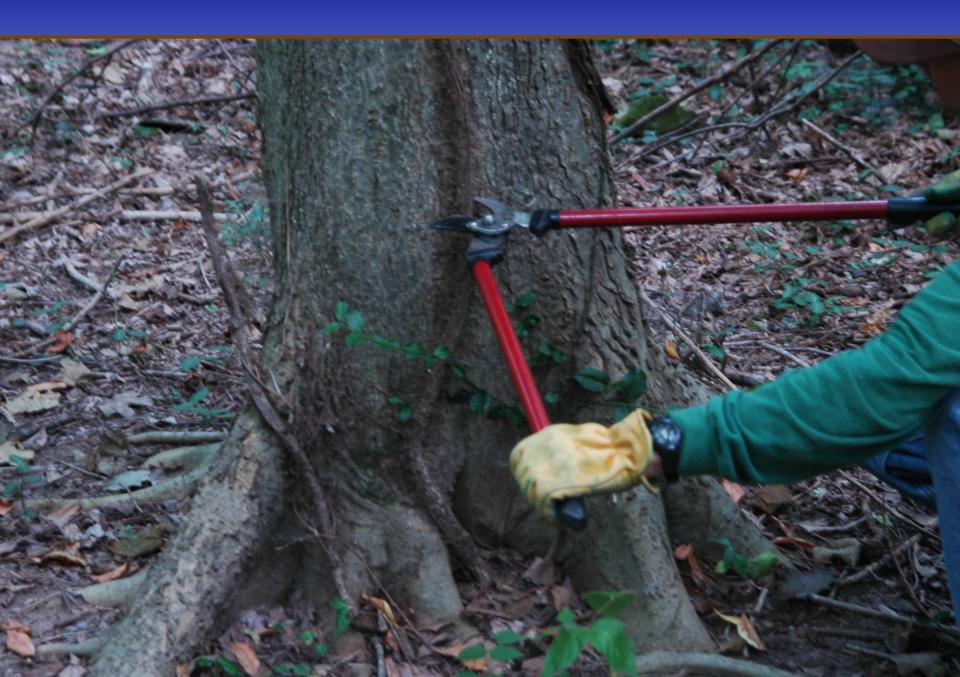


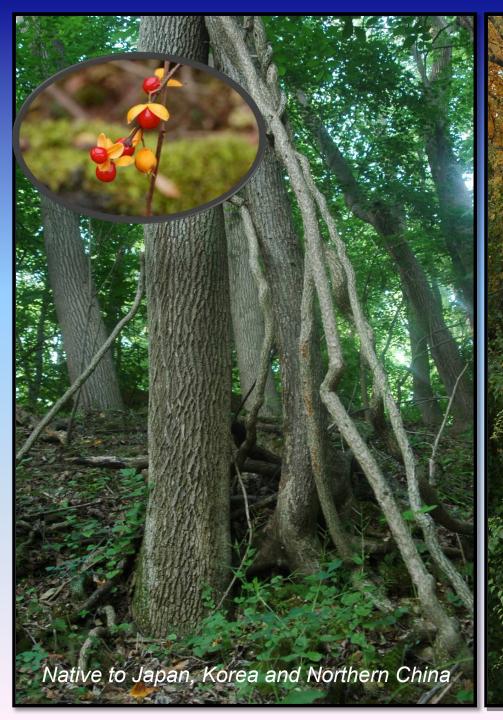




### Cutting vines from the base of trees







Oriental Bittersweet Celastrus orbiculatus







## Non Selective Mechanical methods

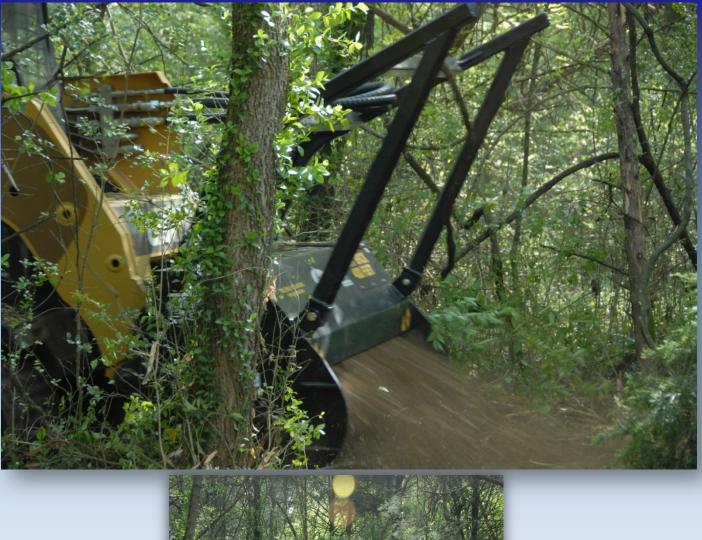
- Mulching Machines
- String Trimmers
- Fireplows
- Grubbers

Require Cutting and Treating resprouts

# **Mulching Machines**



















## **Tree terminator**





### **Chapel Hill NC Botanical Gardens**

### **Cultural Control**

- Prescribed Burning
- Water Level Manipulation



### Non Chemical Weed Control

- Soil Solarization
- Thermal Weed Control
  - Flaming
  - Hot Water
  - Steam
- Overgrazing
- Manual removal
- Harvesting, etc.

### Thermal Vegetation Management Tools and Technology





### Carborro, NC



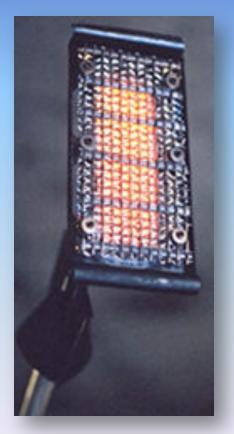


## **Steam Weed Control**

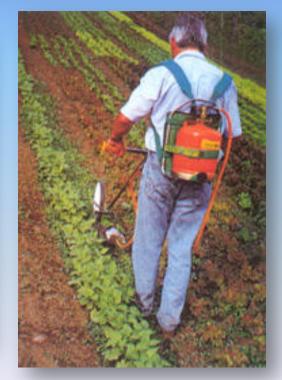














### RED DRAGON VAPOR TORCH BACK-PACK KITS:

















## Factors to Consider for Choosing an Ivy Control Methodology

Eric Wold and Jesse Cary-Hobbs City of Eugene Parks and Open Space Division

- Slope
- Aspect
- Canopy Cover/Type
- Quality of remnant native vegetation
- Soil type
- Accessibility for equipment
- Presence of hazards



**Eric Wold and Jesse** Cary-Hobbs City of Eugene Parks and Open **Space Division** 

### Subtractive Restoration

Eric Wold and Jesse Cary-Hobbs City of Eugene Parks and Open Space Division

## **Ivy Control Estimated Costs**

- Initial Hand Pulling
- Follow-up Hand Pulling
- Initial Ivy Spraying
- Follow-up Spraying

~\$3,000- 7,000/acre ~\$500-1,000/acre

~\$500/acre ~\$300/acre

# Armenian blackberry and other species were controlled on 50 acres at Delta Ponds between 2004 and 2011.

Eric Wold and Jesse Cary-Hobbs City of Eugene Parks and Open Space Division



**PORTLAND PARKS & RECREATION** 

Healthy Parks, Healthy Portland

# The No Ivy League



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## Rachel Felice Stewardship Coordinator City Nature West



Commissioner Nick Fish Interim Director Sue Keil

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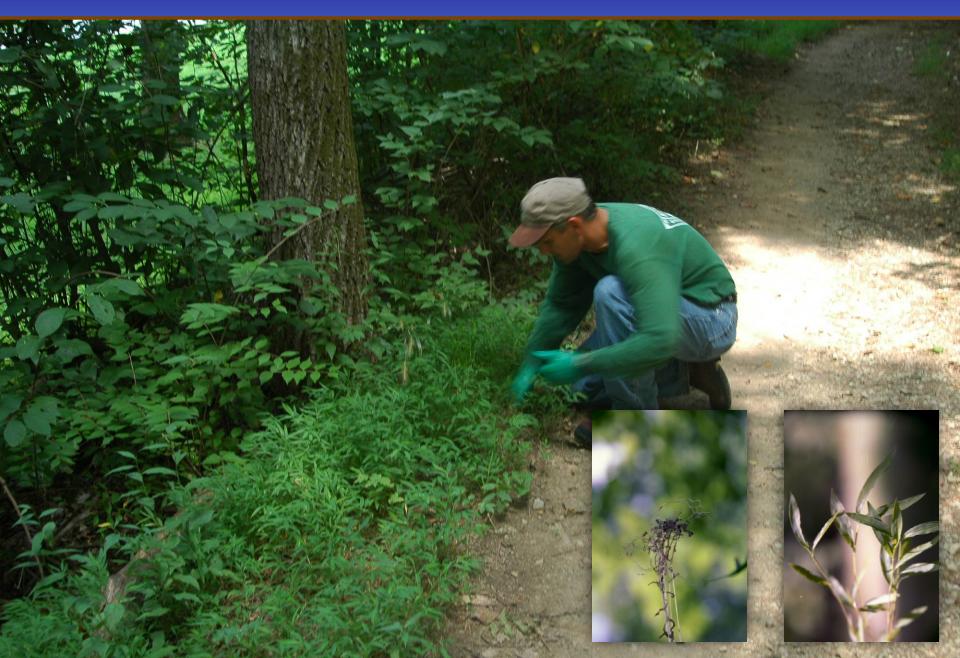
# Effects of Hand Ivy Removal



 Before & after photos Governor's Park



### Hand Pulling











### Garlic Mustard in Massachusetts



#### Mechanical control Can Severely increase your costs







EDRR----Chester Creek







## Organic Weed Management

- Mulching
- Allelopathy
- Plastic Films



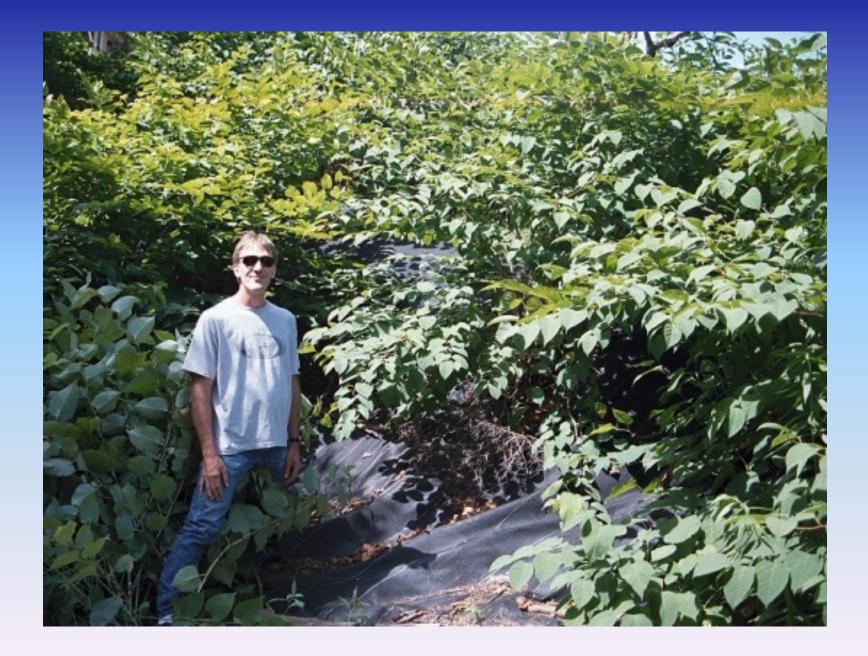
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## Mulches / Barriers





# Other Methods / Tools



#### Chain





Daniel Barringer Preserve Manager/Invasives Management Coordinator Crow's Nest Preserve

#### **GOAT GREEN**

#### www.goatseatweeds.com

Donny Benz <u>benzdonny@yahoo.com</u>. Lani Malmberg <u>ewe4icbenz@aol.com</u>

WORK: Weed Management Brush Control Fire Fuel Load Reduction Erosion Mitigation Flood Control Reclamation Re-seeding

Contracts:FederalStateCountyCityHome OwnersCorporationsPrivate06/03/2010Local



### Low Volume Herbicide Application Tools

- Backpack Sprayers
- Handsprayers
- Wetblade applicators





### Herbicide Control

- Use most effective herbicide for the species
- Follow methods prescribed on the label
- Choose optimal time to apply chemicals
- Adhere to label prohibitions
- Remember that some herbicides require up to a month before activity is detectable





### Adjuvants

- Marking Dyes
- Sticker Spreaders
- Surfactants





### Mixing



- Always use clean water in mixture
- Mix in a bucket and than add to sprayer
- Mix thoroughly





## **Cleaning Equipment**

- Clean equipment at the end of EVERY workday
- Mix only what you need for the day
- If herbicide mix is leftover, spray remaining amount onto target vegetation prior to

departure





# Backpack Sprayers

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### **Backpack Sprayers**

Choose proper modelChoose appropriate nozzle







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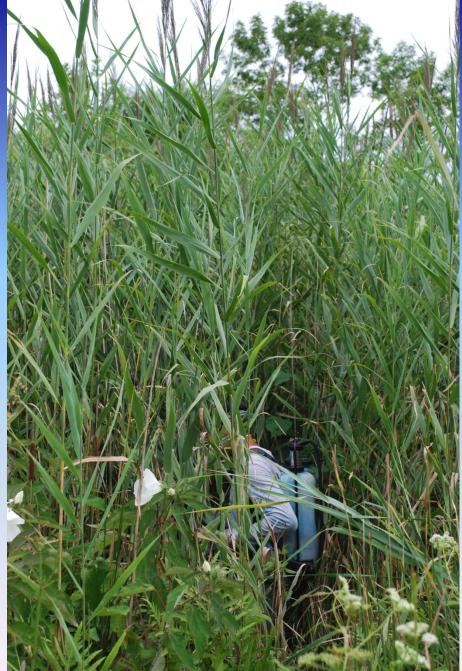


- Choose correct nozzle for application
  - Plastic
  - Brass
  - Stainless steel
  - Visiflow











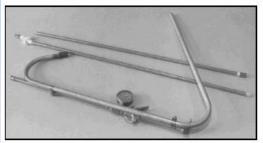
#### MODEL 4F Designed to simulate aerial application on brush and sugarcane



Equipped with heavy duty Aluminum back pack frame, padded shoulder straps and 8 inch padded waist belt with quick disconnects (315); removable curved boom support with hand valve, pressure gauge, two 3 ft. extensions, nylon swivel body with KLC-9 flood tip spraying 30 ft. wide at 11 ft. above ground (4FBMCV);

equipped with one 5 lb. Aluminum CO2 cylinder (104B), one 3 gallon SS container with industrial disconnects (107BG), twin gauge pressure regulator (NOR-100), air hose with industrial disconnects (407A), spray hose with industrial disconnects (408A).

Optional Spray Boom (601C) 4 nozzle spray boom on 19 inch spacing with dripless screens, 8002VS tips, spray valve and extended handle.



Change Your Model T Sprayer Into A Model 4F Brush Sprayer

4FBMCV – Removable curved boom for heavy duty aluminum back pack frame (315). Consists of curved boom support, hand valve, pressure gauge and adapter, two 3 ft. extension, nylon swivel with KLC-9 flood tip. Fits back pack #315.

4FCS - Curved boom support only, fits back pack #315.

MODEL TBAC Ideal for applying insecticide, defoliants & other contact pesticides.

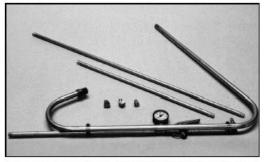


Designed to apply pesticides behind the operator. Similar to Model T4 except equipped with curved boom support for stability of multi nozzle boom. Use 3 ft. extension with 45 degree or 90 degree elbows



depending on height of target. Boom can be lowered for application to shorter plants. Now supplied with 601B type boom for extra support (all 1/4" pipe).

#### MODEL TBMCV



Used to convert Model T to Model TBAC. Consists of curved boom support for aluminum back pack frame (315), hand valve, pressure gauge and adapter, 18" & 36" downpipe (1/4" npt )and a 45 & 90 degree elbow.Used to convert Model T to Model TBAC. Consists of curved boom support for aluminum back pack frame (315), hand valve, pressure gauge and adapter, 18" & 36" downpipe (1/4" npt )and a 45 & 90 degree









# What herbicides are required?



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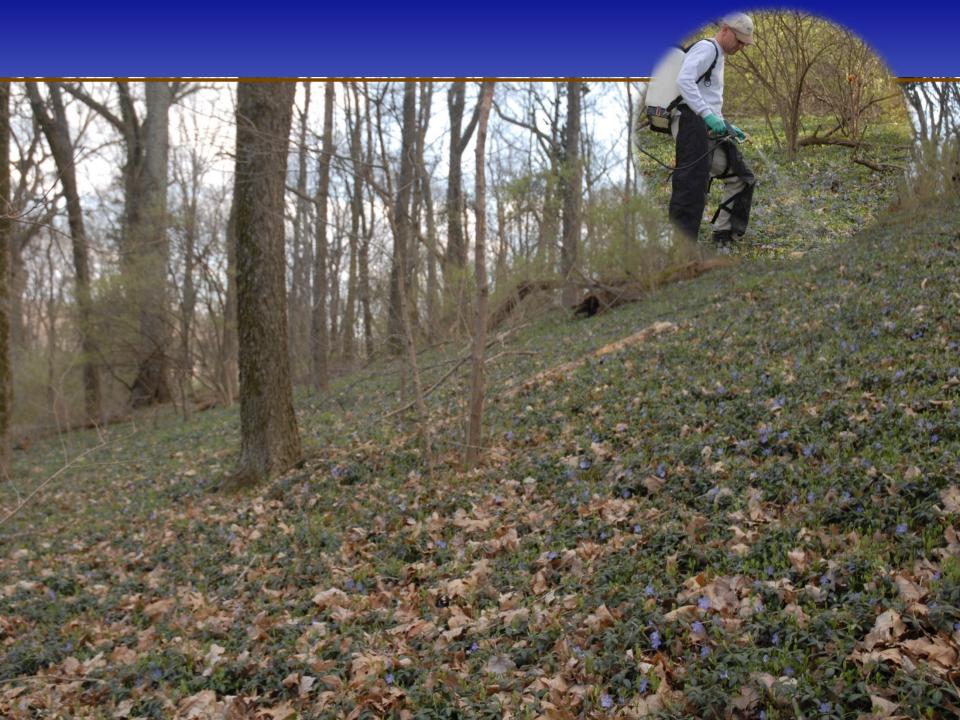
















#### Wild pineapple, Hassel Island, USVI



#### 7 and 14 days after backpack treatment



African Guiena Grass - (Urochloa maxima)

#### 2-weeks after treatment



# Basal Sprays

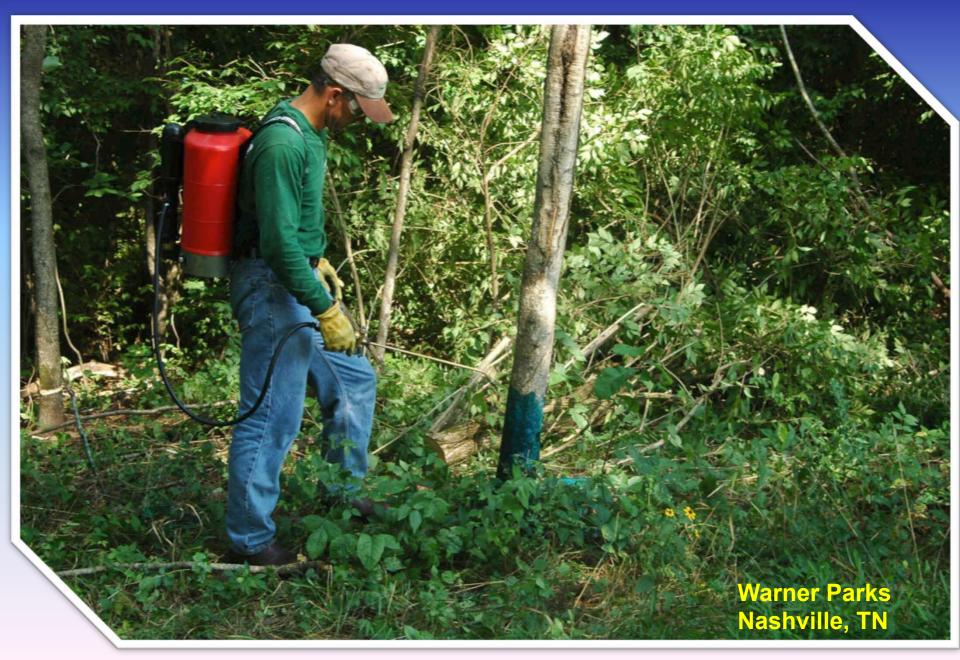






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Hawaii Volcanoes National Park 2008 Conference Use of Basal Bark applications with Marking Dyes Can Increase Effectiveness and Selectivity of Treatments Tree of Heaven *Ailanthus altissima* 



#### Tree of Heaven Ailanthus altissima





#### Autumn Olive *Elaeagnus umbellata*





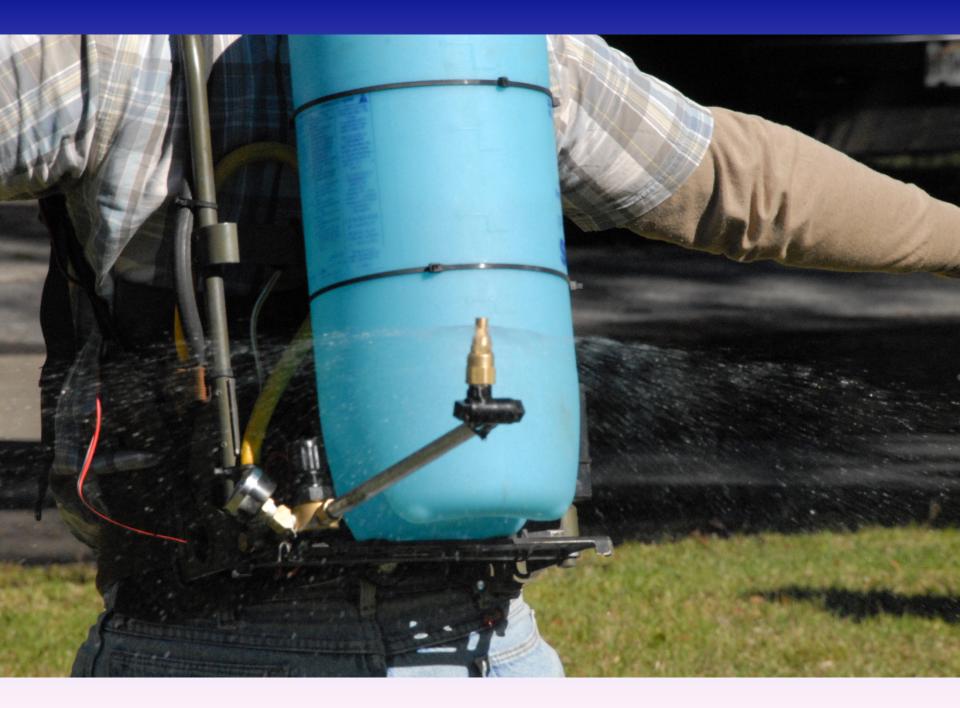
Egypt Valley WMA in Southeast Ohio



#### Autumn Olive *Elaeagnus umbellata*













#### Thinvert

## Handsprayers

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**Solo** Spritzer

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# Model 1985VIPulled because they BREAK

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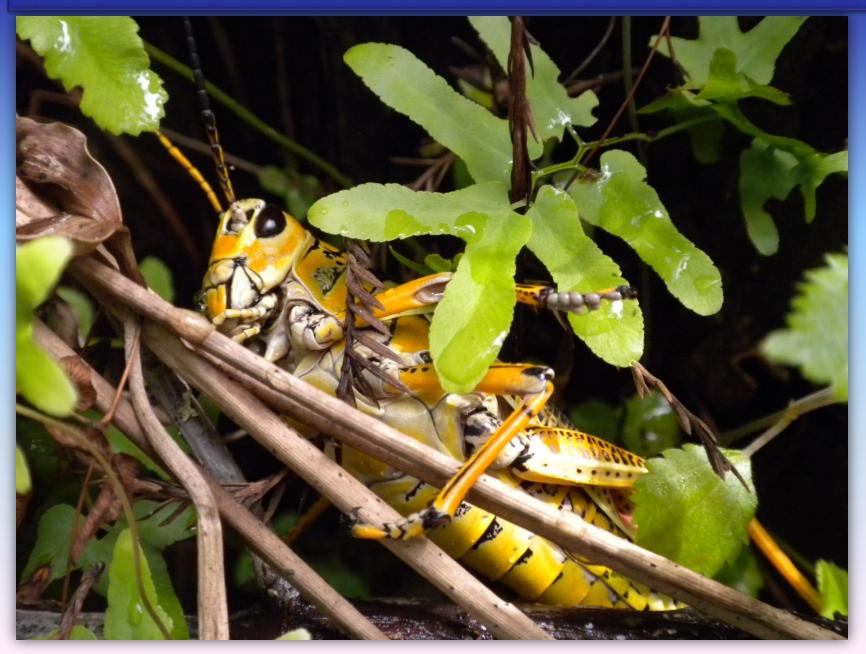








### Lygodium



### Girdle and Treat







#### Cut and Treat with Chainsaws

Most expensive optionVery selective herbicide application









#### Cutting and treating is very selective but not for volunteers













#### The good:

- Balance and weight of both saws are nearly identical.
- They replaced the rubber bushings on the handle with springs, eliminating the issue with torn bushings over time.
- Access to the air filter on the MS201T requires no tool. The MS200T requires a scrench, screwdriver, coin, etc.
- Redesigned oil tank eliminates air pocket, so tilting the saw to burp it when filling the oil is no longer necessary.
- 201T runs longer on a tank of fuel then the 200T
- Has lever under cover to switch the carb choke from "winter" to "summer" running conditions. I have not run the saw enough in the cold to know if it helps, but I like the idea.

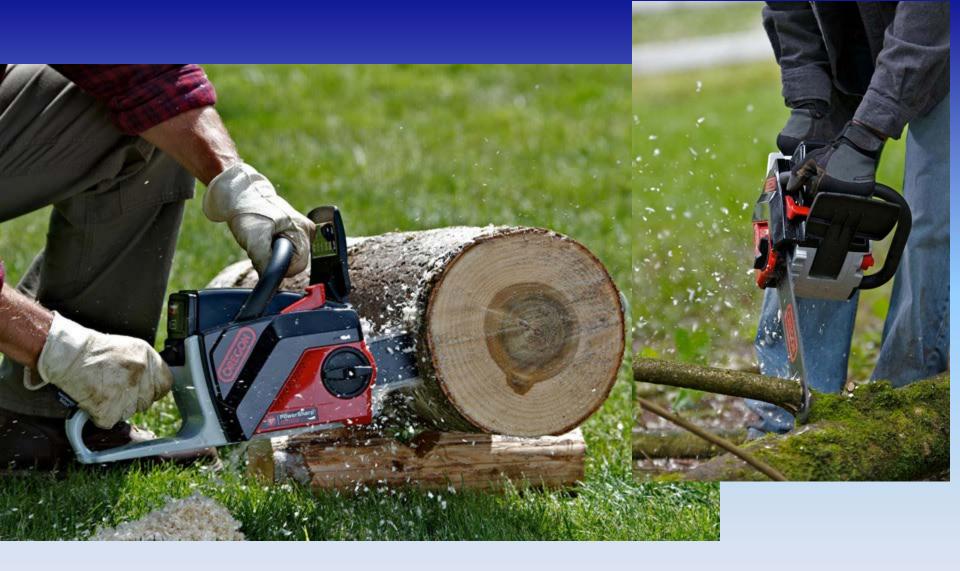
#### The bad:

- Emissions requirements have made the saw a wimp straight out of the box.
- Removing the spark arrestor, drilling the muffler, and tweaking the carburetor adjustments is necessary match/exceed the power of the old STOCK MS200T. It still has trouble keeping up with my "modified" MS200T.
- Slow throttle response.
- Slower chain speed (Which is fine if the torque was there without modifications).

Overall, Stihl replaced a great, durable climbing saw with a sub-par saw. I doubt this new one will last 8 years like my old 200T.

My suggestion is to buy up any new MS200Ts that might still be laying around. The MS201T is in my truck by default, and I'm going to try to rob Bobby's truck before he destroys all of his 200Ts





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#### Cut and Treat with Chainsaws



















### Australian Pine



### Salt Cedar

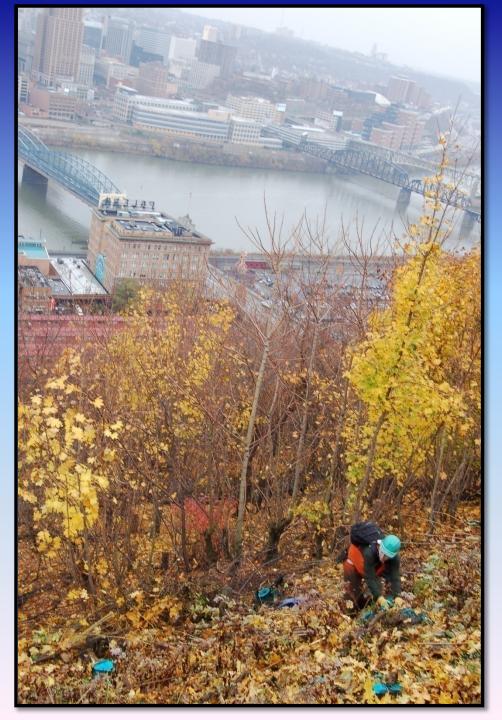


## Genip - (Melicoccus bijugatus)





## Bamboo



Level of difficulty can also increase time and costs for control



















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# Cut and Treat with Brushcutters







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Brush Cutters are good tools for cutting and treating multi-stemmed species selectively



#### FS 250 Trimmer

FS 250 Specifications	5
DISPLACEMENT	40.2 cc (2.45 cu. in.)
ENGINE POWER	1.6 kW (2.15 bhp)
WEIGHT*	6.3 kg (13.9 lbs.)
FUEL CAPACITY	640 cc (21.6 oz.)





**Circular Saw Blade, Scratcher Tooth** Steel, for gnarled brushes and thin tree trunks

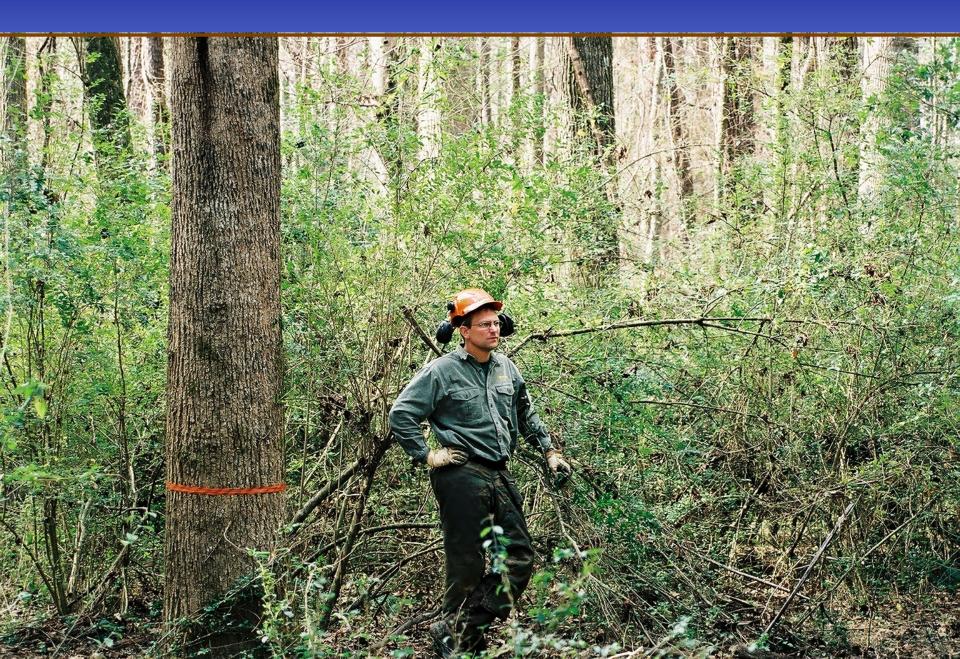
This steel blade is ideal for cutting and clearing brush, vines and saplings and must be sharpened by a professional. For use with a brushcutter equipped with bicycle handles, double shoulder harness and limit stop.

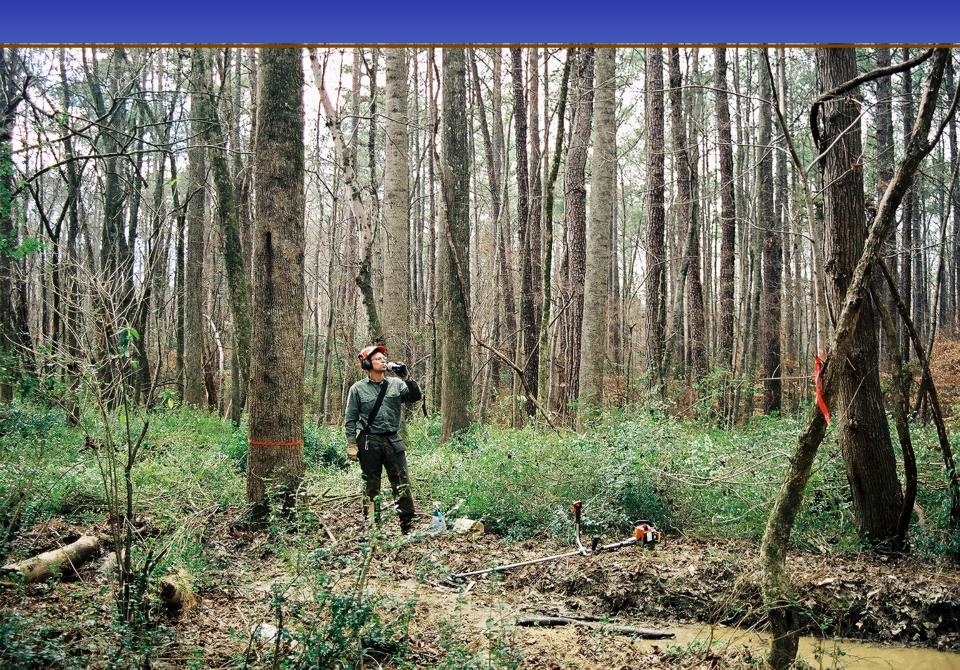
**Circular Saw Blade, Chisel Tooth** Steel, for gnarled brushes and thin tree trunks

This high-performance steel blade is designed for professional use for thinning and clearing of other woody materials and can be sharpened in the field with a round file and guide. For use with a brushcutter equipped with bicycle handles, double shoulder harness and limit stop.

#### Cut and Treat with Brush Cutters







### Autumn Olive Elaeagnus umbellata



### Snake Plant - (Sansevieria trifasciata)







### Before

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### After

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# Hack and Squirt







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- 2. Cold Steel "Panga" Pretty good, same as #1, a little heavier
- 3. "Drop Tip Bottle Opener" (referring to slot in blade) Too big, metal is too hard to file, would need a sharpening wheel or lots of patience
- 4. Cold Steel "Magnum" I think this is a replica of an army issue throwing knife (my grandpa has one just like it from WWII). It is weighted pretty good but the shape makes it hard to sharpen (inside the curve)
- 5. "Straight Tip Bottle Opener" Would be great if you could sharpen it, same steel as #2. Nice if you like a really long machete. Geovany's favorite.
- 6. Ka-Bar This company makes great knives, I have some, but this machete is too small. I'd be interested in seeing a bigger model. Expensive?
- Cold Steel "Kukri" Also too small and same sharpening problem as #3 (too curved)



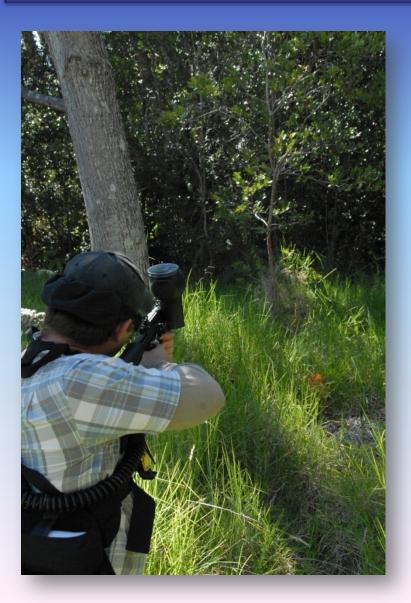






Other Selective Herbicide Application Equipment

## Herbicide Ballistic Technology







Operational performance of a Herbicide Ballistic Technology (HBT) helicopter platform targeting incipient populations of Miconia (*Miconia calvescens*) in Hawaiian Watersheds

For video rendition please visit: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=988i6SQKSzY

Photo courtesy of J. Atwood, 2011

### Codename: Hot Mic

Mission: Calibrate helicopter surveillance operations with real-time HBT target reduction capabilities

Operators: Portside pilot/applicator configuration

Batch: G4U200 with Garlon® 4 Ultra (200mg triclopyr per 0.68 caliber projectile)

Performance: 30 m effective range with sub-meter accuracy

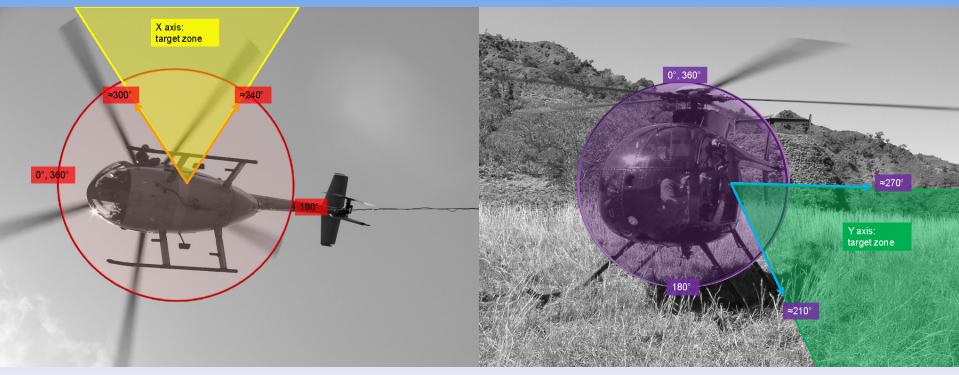
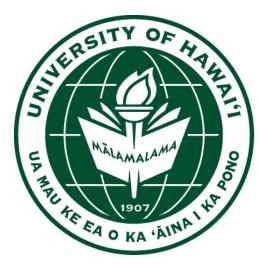


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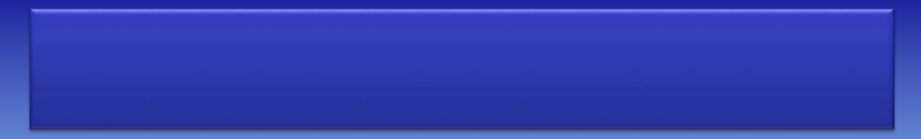
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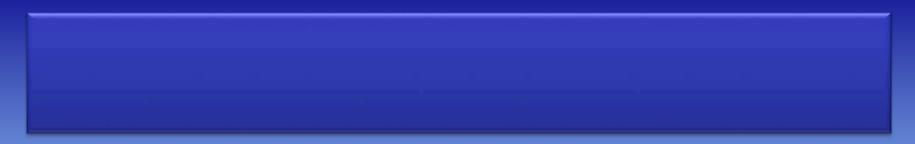




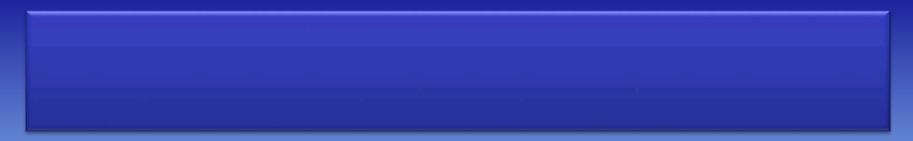


















## **Knotweed** injection



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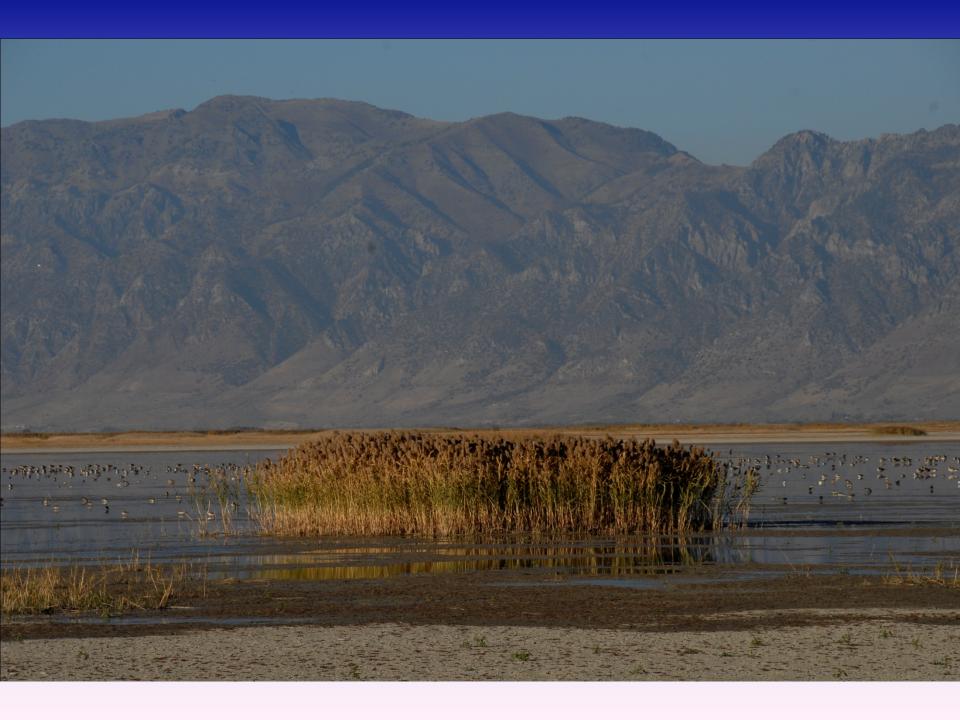


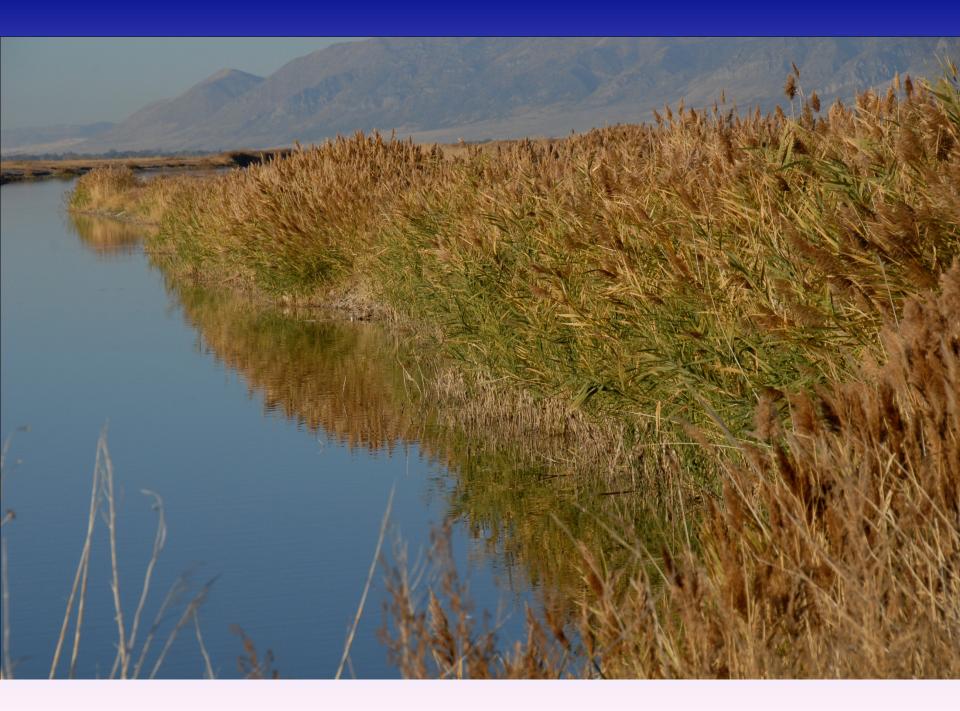








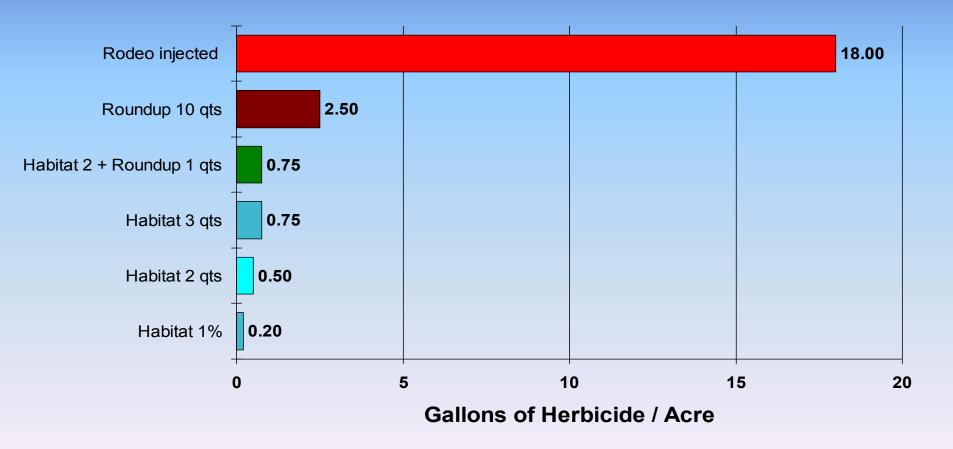








# Application Technique – Japanese Knotweed Control



# Inject or Spray? Japanese Knotweed Control

Treatments	Average # Stems / 100 sq ft	Time to Treat 100 sq ft	Herbicide ml/ Stem	Herbicide used per Acre	% Control
3 qts of Habitat	533	1.9 sec	0.013 mls	3 qts \$205	95
1% Habitat Solution	700	27.8 sec	0.0025 mls	25.7 oz \$55	95
Rodeo 5 mls/stem injection	617	9,255 sec* (2.57 hrs)	5 mls	349.5 gal \$10,485	15





















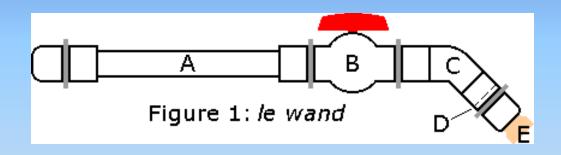




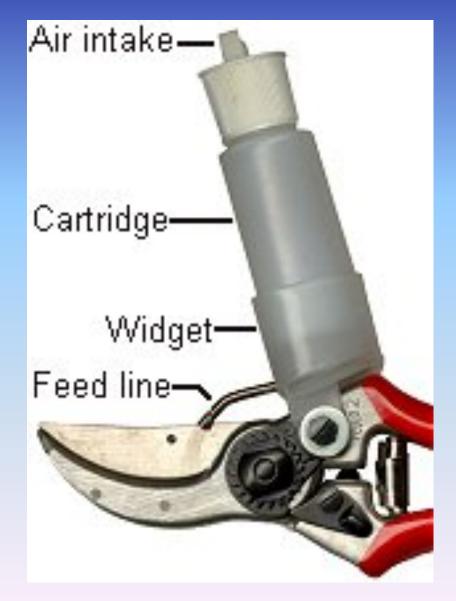




## **Herbicide Wand**



Developed by: Jack McGowan-Stinski (Michigan Field Office) It costs about \$20 to make (and is even cheaper if you already have PVC glue and purple primer).



## KlipKleen Shears

A.M. Leonard call them at 1-800-543-8955 and ask for item #KK1

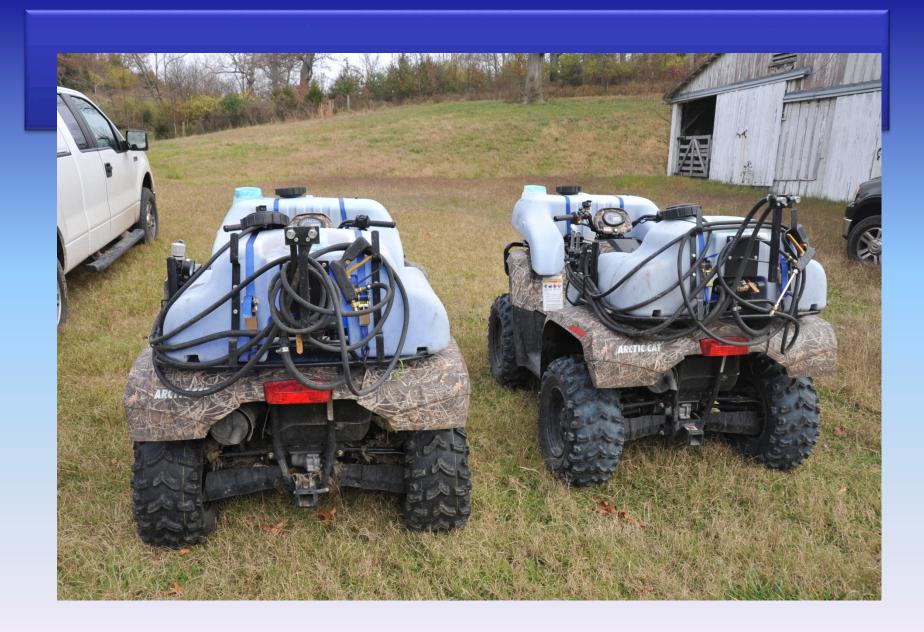
## **Kut-N-Kill Hand Pruners**





## High Volume Herbicide Application Equipment

- ATVs & RTV's
- Tractor Mounted Sprayers
- Utility Skid/Trailer Sprayers
- Helicopter Sprayers
- Roadside and Turf Sprayers
- Fixed Wing Aircraft Sprayers
- Large Fixed Wing Aircraft Applicators



### ATV Sprayer with Hose and Boomless Nozzles

























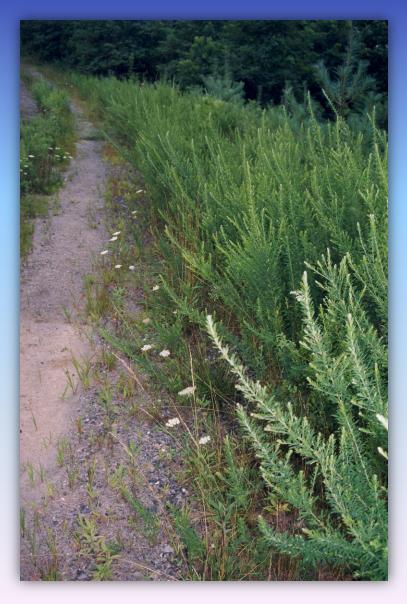














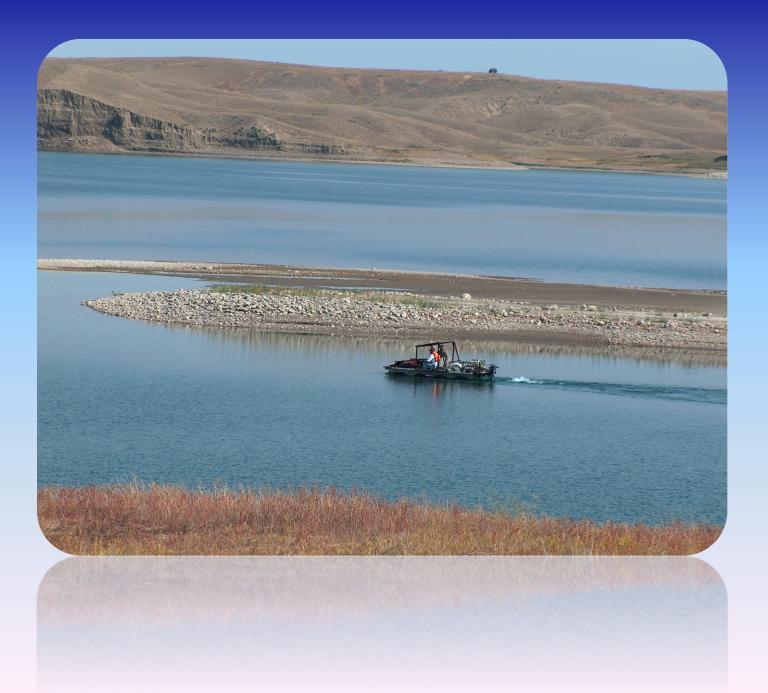




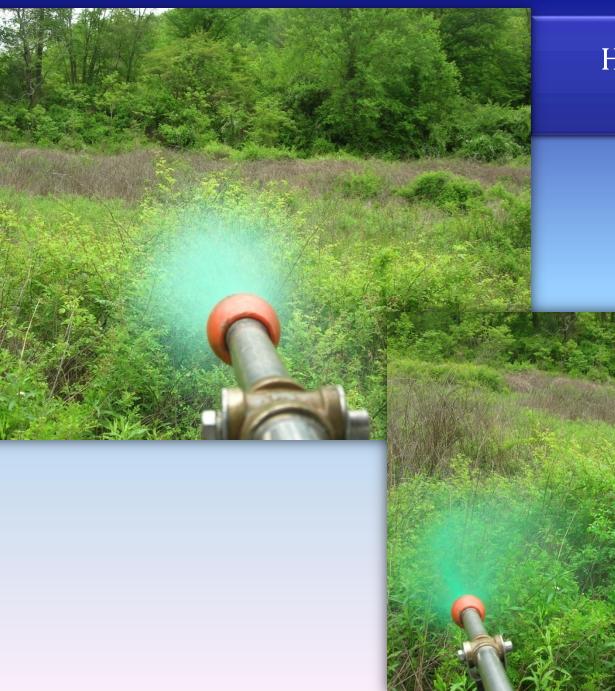
## Landtamer











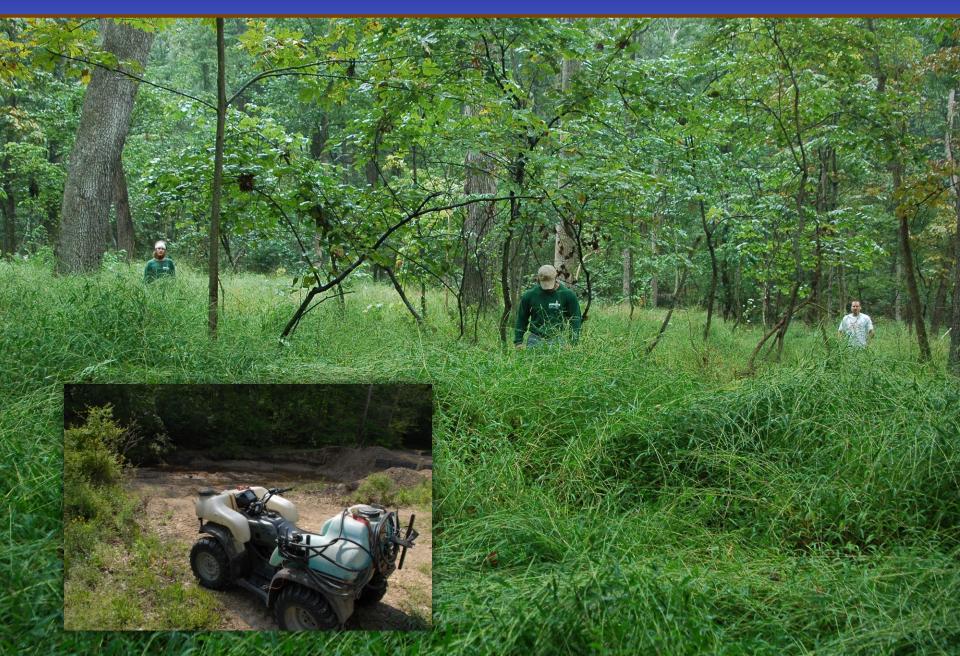
### Hambidge Center North Georgia

### Sometimes lack of diversity makes a project selective

#### **Ocoee River, Ducktown, TN**



#### Gettysburg National Park, PA



### Protect the fragile understory

### Chinese Wisteria Wisteria sinensis



# Often times with invasives, high diversity requires selective methods

Valley Forge National Park, PA







### Chemical treatment over Hill AFB in Ogden, UT



C-130H Modular Aerial Spray Systems

46 hours spray time---2,880,662 acres or 4501 square miles



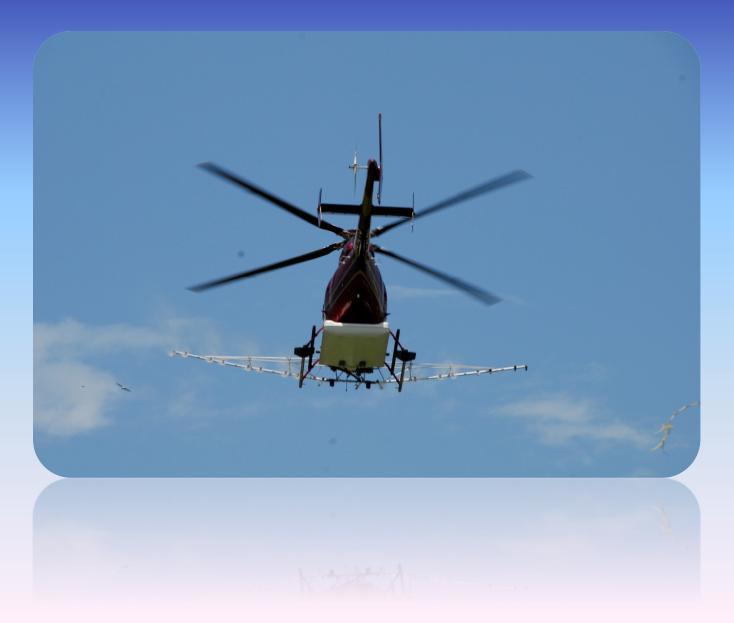












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# **Types of Aquatic Plants**



### Emergent



### Floatingleaved



### Submersed



### Free floating







#### Thin and stringy or hairlike (filamentous algae)

- Large and resemble higher plants but without true roots (chara)
- Caulerpa taxifolia (above)

Primitive plants Form floating scums of near-microscopic colonies on pond surfaces Microscopic (planktonic algae) *Lyngbya (above)* 



# **Floating Leaved Plants**







Not attached to the bottom (Water Lettuce)

Sizes vary from small (duckweed) to over a foot in diameter (water hyacinth) Most have roots that hang in the water from the floating green portions

> (Salvinia molesta)



### Crystal River, FL

Crystal River, FL Citrus

Tsala Apopka Lake

Sumter

Juaia

Hernando

Spring Hill

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28 48 35.50" N 82 45 56.54" W elev -1.ft

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# **Submersed plants**



Eurasian Water Millfoil, FL

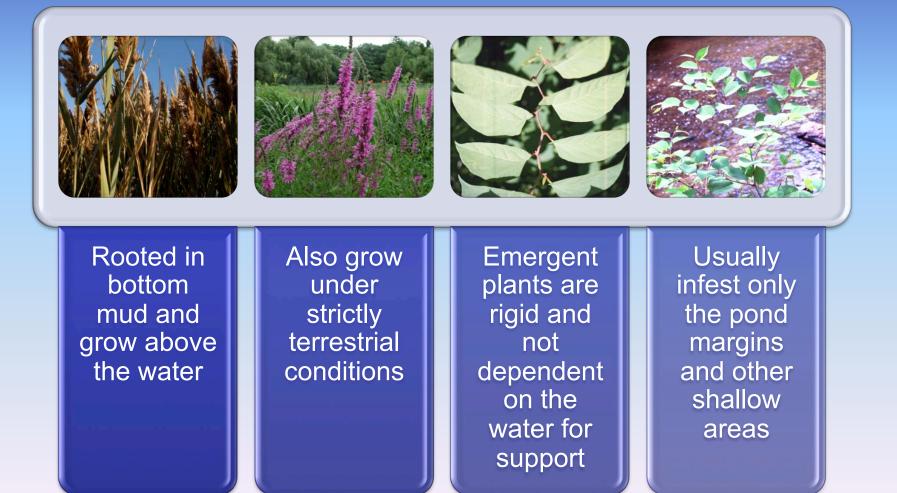
#### Eurasian Water Millfoil, FL



Hydrilla in Crystal River, FL

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## **Emergent plants**



#### South Florida Water Management District, FL

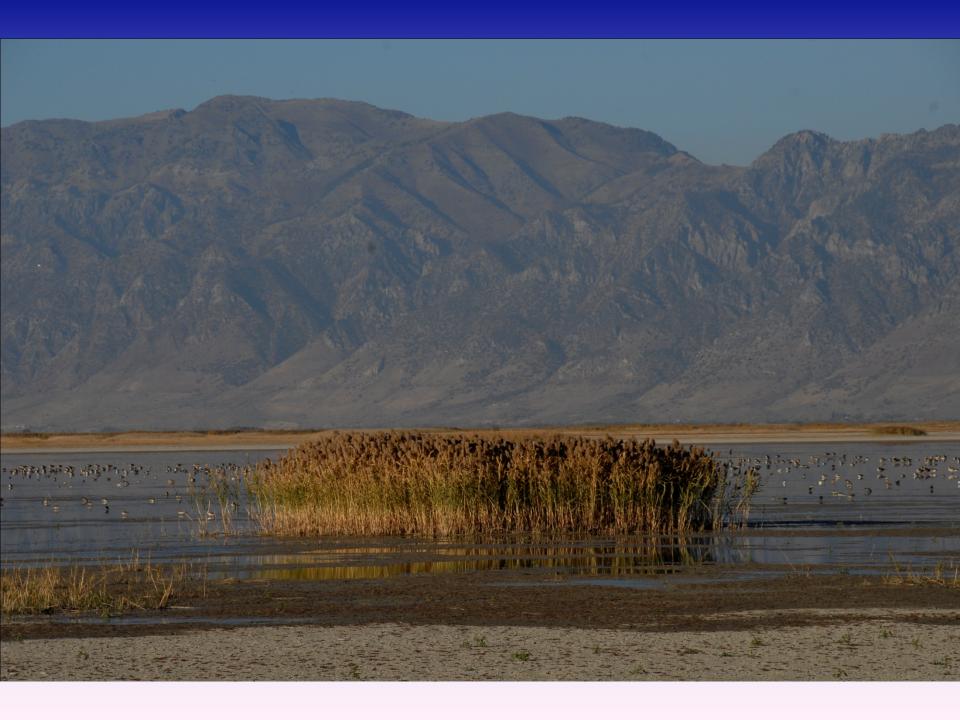


## Aerial spray followed by a ground application

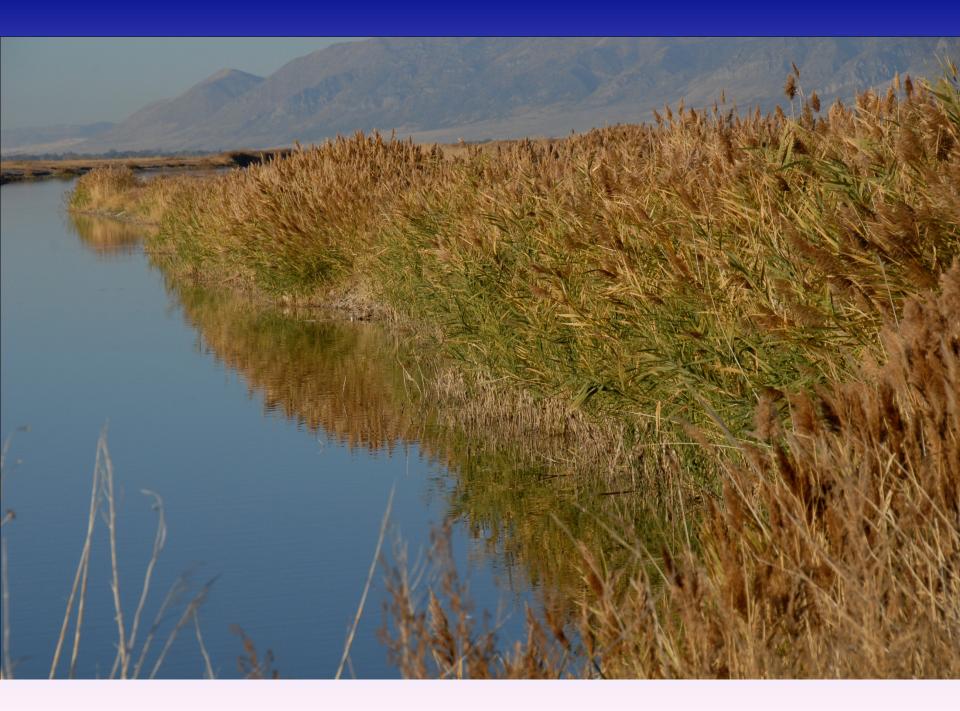
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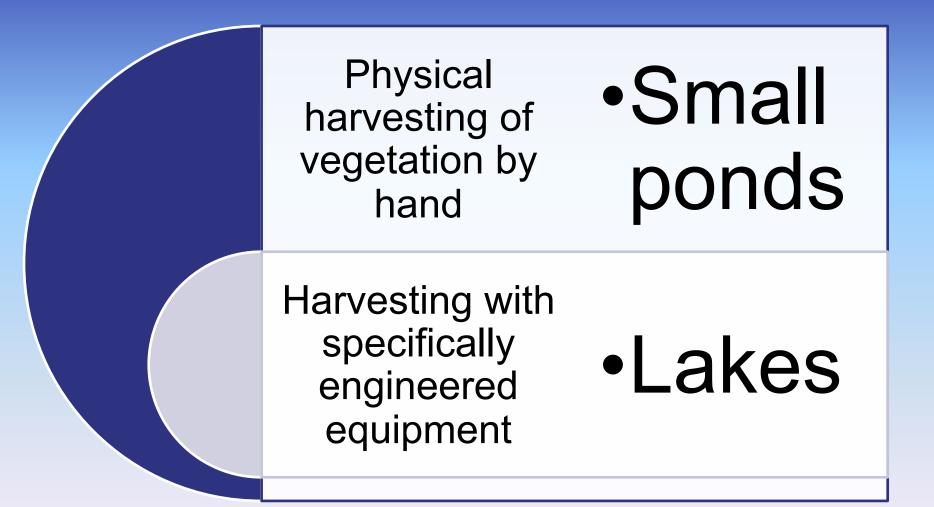








## Mechanical



# Harvesting

Harvesting mechanically removes surfacing aquatic invasives

Cut plants grow back (sometimes within weeks)

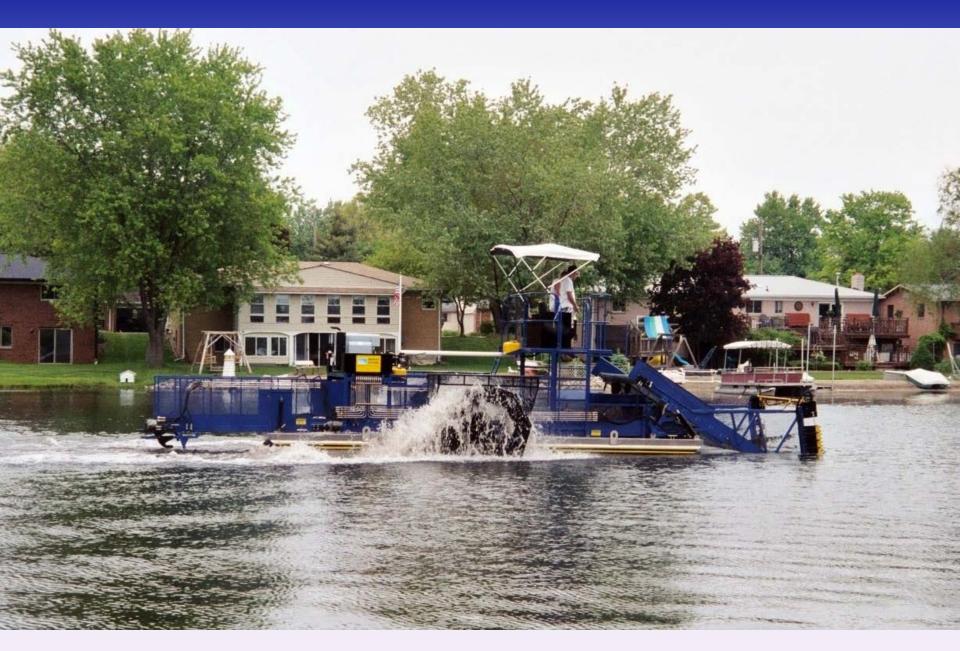
Area may need to be harvested twice or more per growing season.

Underwater mowing machines

Cut plants are removed from the water via a conveyer belt and offloaded and disposed of properly

### **Tools for Mechanical Harvesting**

Booms extended Sickles to Hand pull Nets can Weed cut brush when form across an Harvesters windrows small species incoming creek



Weed Harvester in NY



Weed Harvester in Brazil















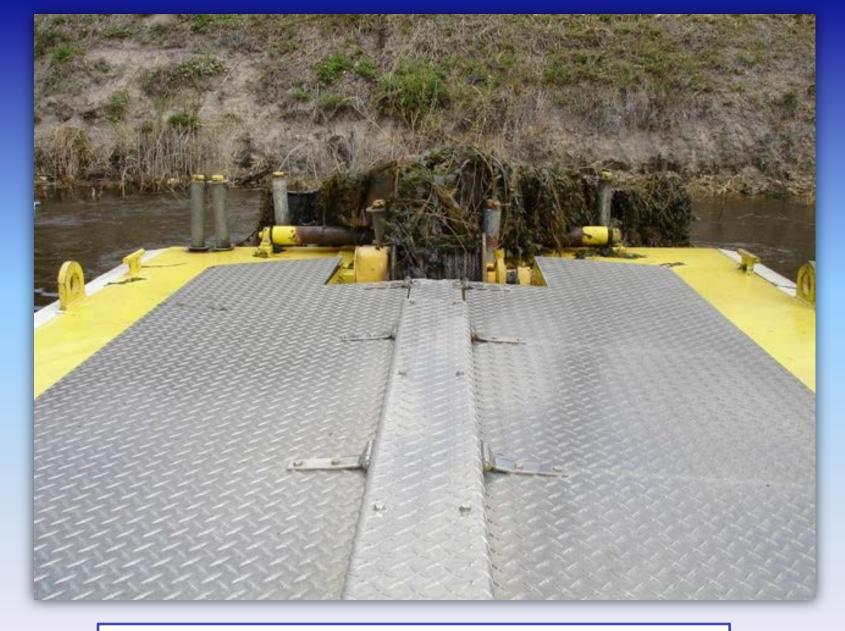
#### Weed Tow Boat





Weed Tow Boat (Aquarius)





Plow is winched back onto the towboat







#### Rotovation

Rototiller-like blades churn seven to nine inches deep into the bottom, extracting the entire plant

Suitable for larger lakes or rivers with widespread, wellestablished populations where eradication is not an option.

Very expensive

Used on plants that have buoyant root crowns such as Eurasian water milfoil (Myriophyllum spicatum)

Roots must be collected and removed by an attachment to the machine, by harvester, or by hand.



### Water Level Manipulation

Raising of water levels to control aquatic vegetation by drowning or lowering to control aquatic vegetation by exposing them to freezing, drying or heat.

 limited to reservoirs with adequate water control structures

Drawdown has been used in lake management for many years to oxidize and consolidate flocculent sediments, to alter fish populations, and for aquatic weed control

Drawdown is usually conducted during winter months so that plants are exposed to both drying and freezing

Drawdown alters the composition of aquatic vegetation, but doesn't always produce desirable changes

#### **Reduced Light Penetration**

Special pond dyes, special fabric bottom covers or fertilization

Specially produced dyes block the kind of light that plants need for photosynthesis and are not toxic

- Dyes are only effective in ponds that have little or no flow through them and they are generally effective only in water of 3 feet or greater depth.
- Various materials, including black plastic and specially manufactured bottom covers, have been used prevent rooted aquatic plants from growing

#### Hand Pulling and Installation of Bottom Barriers

Limited to lakes or ponds only lightly infested

Applicable where residents can tolerate no herbicide use such as in a lake used as a municipal drinking water supply.

Costs for large-scale projects are not economical

It is especially important to have good visibility for the divers to locate milfoil plants.

Sometimes diving is only effective in the spring or fall, or during periods between algal blooms. If water clarity is very poor, manual eradication methods may not be suitable for the waterbody.



#### **Bottom Screens or Benthic Barriers**

Covers sediment like a blanket, compressing aquatic plants while reducing or blocking light.

Materials such as burlap, plastics and perforated black Mylar are used

Bottom screens will control most aquatic plants

Free floating species will not be controlled

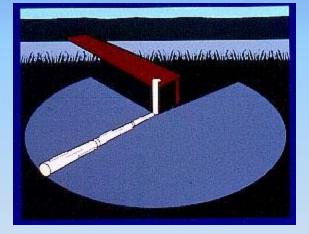
Eurasian watermilfoil will send out lateral surface shoots



#### **Sediment Agitation**

Mechanically disturb the lake bottom to remove aquatic plants prevent regrowth within a well defined area. Sweep, roll, or drag repetitively over the plants and sediments

Attached to a dock or post to work properly and each product requires electricity to operate.



## **Chemical Control of Aquatics**

Herbicides may be directly applied to undesirable vegetation

Pre-emergence application of appropriate herbicides can provide early weed control

Herbicides reduce the need for mechanical control which can increase turbidity and affect fish populations. high degree of selectivity leaving desirable levels of vegetation

 promote desirable vegetation without competition during critical early growth stages

Erosion may be reduced

Many weeds, especially perennials, that cannot be effectively controlled by other methods are generally susceptible to herbicides.

Routine use of herbicides under a maintenance program usually reduces the cost of weed control.

 promotes the lower growing grass species for cover

# **Aquatic Herbicides**



Systemic herbicides are capable of killing the entire plant.



**Contact herbicides** cause the parts of the plant in contact with the herbicide to die back, leaving the roots alive and able to regrow.



**Non-selective**, broad spectrum herbicides will generally affect all plants that they come in contact with.



Selective herbicides will affect only some plants

Application in Washington state waters is regulated and has the following restrictions:

- Applicators must be licensed by the Washington State Department of Agriculture.
- Because of a March 2001 court decision (9th Circuit District Court), applicants must obtain coverage
- under a discharge permit called a National Pollutant Elimination System Discharge (NPDES) permit before
- they can legally apply aquatic herbicides to the waters of the state.
- Ecology requires notification and posting before treatment and there are additional mitigations to protect
- rare plants or threatened and endangered species.















### Results



Carfentrazone treated *M. heterophyllum* at: pre-treatment (A) and 37 days after treatment (B)



#### Watermeal Infested Pond at Treatment

08/28/2006 12:11

1 Month after Treatment 45 ppb fluridone 11- 11

#### At Treatment

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#### 12 Month after Treatment 45 ppb fluridone

**1 MAT** 

### **Biological Control of Aquatics**

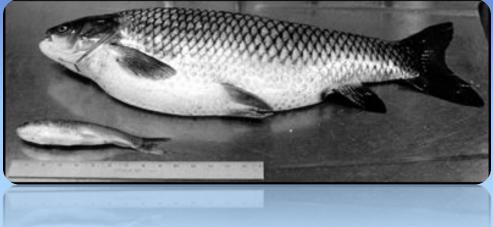
Insects and Plant Path<u>ogens</u>

- high degree of host specificity
- alligatorweed flea beetle (Agasicles hygrophila),
- waterhyacinth weevils (Neochetina eichhorniae and N. bruchi), the waterhyacinth mite (Orthagalumna terebrantis), and fungus (Cercospora rodmanii)

# Herbiverous Fish

#### Grass Carp

 Excellent control of submersed plants, filamentous algae, and small floating plants such as duckweeds



 It is much easier to stock additional grass carp than to remove unwanted fish from the system

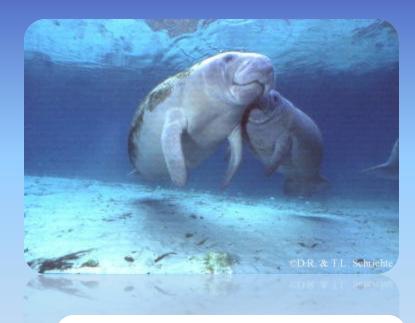
## Tilapia

- Blue tilapia(*Tilapia aurea*)
- Redbelly tilapia (T. zilli)
- Tropical species that can suppress growth of softer aquatic vegetation such as filamentous algae and bladderwort when stocked at high density (300 per acre)
- Both species reproduce rapidly
  - Consume vegetation and small animals that are important food sources for desirable fish populations.



### Snails, manatees, etc.

- Marisa cornuarietis and Pomacea australis
  - Large numbers will control several species of submersed aquatic plants under confined conditions
  - Not currently under consideration as biocontrol agents for aquatic weeds
- Manatees or sea cows (*Trichechus manatus*)
  - Experimentally used, mainly in canals, for aquatic weed control in Florida.
  - Manatees effectively removed submersed and floating plant species.

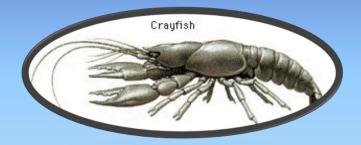




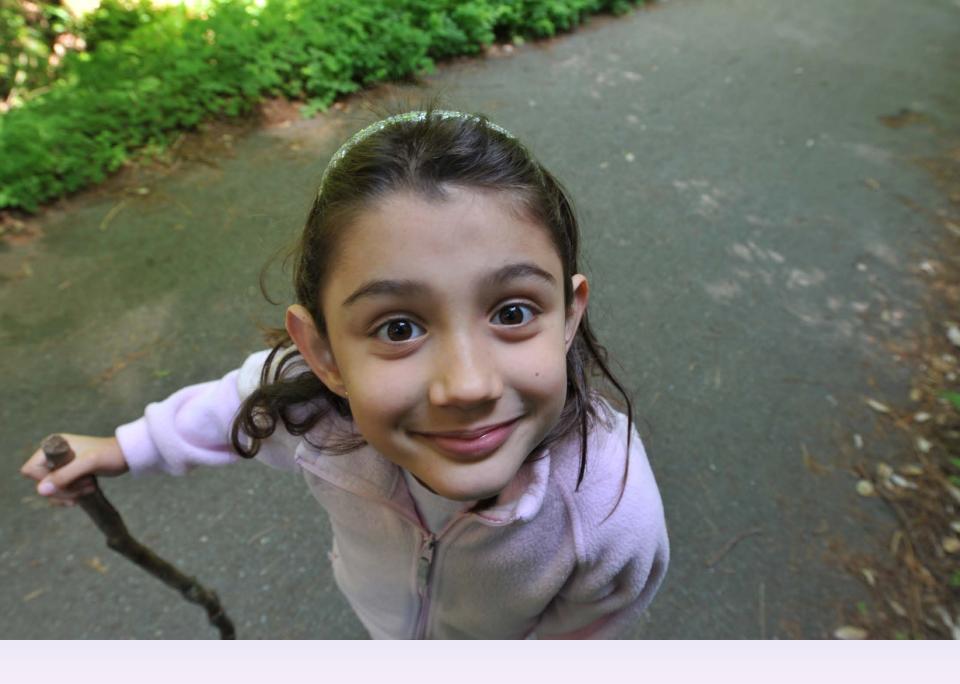
Marisa cornuarietis

### Other Biocontrol...

- Ducks
- Geese
- Crayfish
- Nematodes
- Viruses
- Water buffalo
- None of the above have proven practical









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