



Introduced, Invasive, and Noxious Plants

Federal Noxious Weeds

112 records returned

Noxious weeds that are synonyms retain their noxious status, and are indented beneath the current PLANTS accepted name.

USDA, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ). *State Plant Regulatory Officials letters* (<http://nationalplantboard.org/laws/spro.html>). National Plant Board.

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Symbol	Scientific Name	Noxious Common Name	Federal Noxious Status†	Native Status*
AEGIN	<i>Aeginetia</i> L.		NW	
AGAD2	<i>Ageratina adenophora</i> (Spreng.) R.M. King & H. Rob.	crofton weed	NW	L48 (I), HI (I)
ALECT2	<i>Alectra</i> Thunb.		NW	(I)
ALSE4	<i>Alternanthera sessilis</i> (L.) R. Br. ex DC.	sessile joyweed	NW	(I), L48 (I), HI (I), PR (N), VI (N)
ASFI2	<i>Asphodelus fistulosus</i> L.	onionweed	NW	L48 (I)
AVST	<i>Avena sterilis</i> L.	animated oat	NW	L48 (I), CAN (W)
AZPI	<i>Azolla pinnata</i> R. Br.	mosquito fern	NW	L48 (I)
CAOX6	<i>Carthamus oxyacanthus</i> M. Bieb.			L48 (I)
CAOX2	<i>Carthamus oxyacantha</i> M. Bieb., orth. var.	wild safflower	NW	
CATA5	<i>Caulerpa taxifolia</i> (Vahl) C. Agardh ¹		NW	L48 (I)
CHAC	<i>Chrysopogon aciculatus</i> (Retz.) Trin.	pilipiliula	NW	(N), L48 (I), HI (I)
COBE2	<i>Commelina benghalensis</i> L.	Benghal dayflower	NW	(I), L48 (I), HI (I), PR (I)
CRVU2	<i>Crupina vulgaris</i> Cass.	common crupina	NW	L48 (I)
CUSCU	<i>Cuscuta</i> L. ²	dodder	NW	(I,N), L48 (I,N)
DIAB	<i>Digitaria abyssinica</i> (Hochst. ex A. Rich.) Stapf			HI (I)
DISC5	<i>Digitaria scalarum</i> (Schweinf.) Chiov.	African couch grass	NW	
DIVE2	<i>Digitaria velutina</i> (Forssk.) P. Beauv.	velvet fingergrass	NW	L48 (I)
DRAR7	<i>Drymaria arenarioides</i> Humb. & Bonpl. ex Schult. [excluded]	alfombrilla	NW	
EIAZZ	<i>Eichhornia azurea</i> (Sw.) Kunth	anchored waterhyacinth	NW	L48 (I), PR (I)
EMAU	<i>Emex australis</i> Steinh.	three-cornered jack	NW	L48 (I)
EMSP	<i>Emex spinosa</i> (L.) Campd.	devil's thorn	NW	L48 (I), HI (I)
GAOF	<i>Galega officinalis</i> L.	goatsrue	NW	L48 (I), CAN (I)
HEMA17	<i>Heracleum mantegazzianum</i> Sommier & Levier	giant hogweed	NW	L48 (I), CAN (I)

HYVE3	<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i> (L. f.) Royle	hydrilla	NW	L48 (I)
HYPO3	<i>Hygrophila polysperma</i> (Roxb.) T. Anderson	Miramar weed	NW	L48 (I)
IMBR	<i>Imperata brasiliensis</i> Trin.	Brazilian satintail	NW	L48 (I), PR (I)
IMCY	<i>Imperata cylindrica</i> (L.) P. Beauv.	cogongrass	NW	(NI), L48 (I)
IPAQ	<i>Ipomoea aquatica</i> Forssk.	Chinese waterspinach	NW	(I), L48 (I), HI (I), PR (I)
ISRU	<i>Ischaemum rugosum</i> Salisb.	murain-grass	NW	(N), L48 (I)
LAMA15	<i>Lagarosiphon major</i> (Ridley) Moss	oxygen weed	NW	
LECH2	<i>Leptochloa chinensis</i> (L.) Nees [excluded]	Asian sprangletop	NW	
LISE3	<i>Limnophila sessiliflora</i> (Vahl) Blume	ambulia	NW	L48 (I)
LYFE4	<i>Lycium ferocissimum</i> Miers	African boxthorn	NW	L48 (I)
LYFE3	<i>Lycium ferocissimum</i> Miers, orth. var.	maidenhair creeper	NW	
LYFL7	<i>Lygodium flexuosum</i> (L.) Sw.	melaleuca	NW	
MEQU	<i>Melaleuca quinquenervia</i> (Cav.) S.F. Blake			(I), L48 (I), HI (I), PR (I)
MEMA	<i>Melastoma malabathricum</i> L.		NW	(N), HI (I)
MICO16	<i>Mikania cordata</i> (Burm. f.) B.L. Rob. [excluded]	mile-a-minute	NW	
MIMI5	<i>Mikania micrantha</i> Kunth	mile-a-minute	NW	L48 (I), PR (N)
MIDI8	<i>Mimosa diplotricha</i> C. Wright			(I), HI (I), PR (I)
MIIN80	<i>Mimosa invisa</i> Mart., non Mart. ex Colla	giant sensitive plant	NW	
MIPE2	<i>Mimosa pellita</i> Kunth ex Willd.			L48 (N), PR (N)
MIPI	<i>Mimosa pigra</i> auct. non L.	catclaw mimosa	NW	
MOHA2	<i>Monochoria hastata</i> (L.) Solms [excluded]	monochoria	NW	
MOVA	<i>Monochoria vaginalis</i> (Burm. f.) C. Presl ex Kunth	pickerel weed	NW	L48 (I), HI (I)
MOCO8	<i>Moraea collina</i> Thunb.	Cape tulip	NW	L48 (I)
MOFL2	<i>Moraea flaccida</i> (Sweet) Steud.	Cape tulip	NW	
MOMI4	<i>Moraea miniata</i> Andrews		NW	
MOOC2	<i>Moraea ochroleuca</i> (Salisb.) Drapiez		NW	
MOPA8	<i>Moraea pallida</i> (Baker) Goldblatt		NW	
NATR3	<i>Nassella trichotoma</i> (Nees) Hack.	serrated tussock	NW	L48 (I)
ONAC2	<i>Onopordum acaulon</i> L.		NW	
ONIL	<i>Onopordum illyricum</i> L.		NW	L48 (I)
OPAU10	<i>Opuntia aurantiaca</i> Lindl.	jointed prickly pear	NW	
OROBA	<i>Orobanche</i> L. ²	broomrape	NW	(N), L48 (I,N)
ORLO3	<i>Oryza longistaminata</i> A. Chev. & Roehr.	red rice	NW	
ORPU13	<i>Oryza punctata</i> Kotzchy ex Steud.	red rice	NW	
ORRU	<i>Oryza rufipogon</i> Griffiths	red rice	NW	L48 (I)
OTAL	<i>Ottelia alismoides</i> (L.) Pers.	duck-lettuce	NW	L48 (I)
PASC6	<i>Paspalum scrobiculatum</i> L.	Kodo-millet	NW	(NI), L48 (I), HI (I)
PECL2	<i>Pennisetum clandestinum</i> Hochst. ex Chiov.	kikuyugrass	NW	L48 (I), HI (I), PR (I), VI (I)
PEMA80	<i>Pennisetum macrourum</i> Trin.	African feathergrass	NW	L48 (I), HI (I)

PEPE24	<i>Pennisetum pedicellatum</i> Trin.	kyasuma-grass	NW	L48 (I)
PEPO14	<i>Pennisetum polystachion</i> (L.) Schult.			(I), L48 (I), HI (I), PR (I)
PEPO4	<i>Pennisetum polystachyon</i> (L.) Schult., orth. var.	missiongrass	NW	
PRAL11	<i>Prosopis alpataco</i> Phil.	mesquite	NW	
PRAR6	<i>Prosopis argentina</i> Burkart	mesquite	NW	
PRBU2	<i>Prosopis burkartii</i> Muñoz	mesquite	NW	
PRCA9	<i>Prosopis caldenia</i> Burkart	mesquite	NW	
PRCA10	<i>Prosopis calingastana</i> Burkart	mesquite	NW	
PRCA11	<i>Prosopis campestris</i> Griseb.	mesquite	NW	
PRCA12	<i>Prosopis castellanossii</i> Burkart	mesquite	NW	
PRDE4	<i>Prosopis denudans</i> Benth.	mesquite	NW	
PREL5	<i>Prosopis elata</i> (Burm.) Burkart	mesquite	NW	
PRFA2	<i>Prosopis farcta</i> (Banks & Sol.) J.F. Macbr.	Syrian mesquite	NW	L48 (I)
PRFE2	<i>Prosopis ferox</i> Griseb.	mesquite	NW	
PRFI4	<i>Prosopis fiebrigii</i> Harms	mesquite	NW	
PRHA4	<i>Prosopis hassleri</i> Harms ex Hassler	mesquite	NW	
PRHU3	<i>Prosopis humilis</i> Gillies ex Hook. & Arn.	mesquite	NW	
PRKU2	<i>Prosopis kuntzei</i> Harms ex Hassler	mesquite	NW	
PRPA4	<i>Prosopis pallida</i> (Humb. & Bonpl. ex Willd.) Kunth	kiawe	NW	(I), HI (I), PR (I), VI (I)
PRPA10	<i>Prosopis palmeri</i> S. Watson	mesquite	NW	
PRRE2	<i>Prosopis reptans</i> Benth.	tornillo	NW	L48 (N)
PRRO4	<i>Prosopis rojasiana</i> Burkart	mesquite	NW	
PRRU4	<i>Prosopis ruizlealii</i> Burkart	mesquite	NW	
PRRU5	<i>Prosopis ruscifolia</i> Griseb.	mesquite	NW	
PRSE5	<i>Prosopis sericantha</i> Gillies ex Hook. & Arn.	mesquite	NW	
PRST3	<i>Prosopis strombulifera</i> (Lam.) Benth.	Argentine screwbean	NW	L48 (I)
PRTO3	<i>Prosopis torquata</i> DC.	mesquite	NW	
PRVE	<i>Prosopis velutina</i> Wooton			L48 (N), HI (I)
PRAR4	<i>Prosopis articulata</i> S. Watson	velvet mesquite	NW	
ROCO6	<i>Rottboellia cochinchinensis</i> (Lour.) W.D. Clayton	itchgrass	NW	L48 (I), PR (I)
RUFR80	<i>Rubus fruticosus</i> L. [excluded]	wild blackberry complex		
RUMO4	<i>Rubus moluccanus</i> L. [excluded]	wild blackberry	NW	
SASP	<i>Saccharum spontaneum</i> L.	wild sugarcane	NW	(N), HI (I), PR (I)
SASA7	<i>Sagittaria sagittifolia</i> L. [excluded]	arrowhead	NW	
SAVE6	<i>Salsola vermiculata</i> L.	wormleaf salsola	NW	L48 (I)
SAAU	<i>Salvinia auriculata</i> Aubl.	giant salvinia	NW	PR (I)
SABI9	<i>Salvinia biloba</i> Raddi	giant salvinia	NW	
SAHE7	<i>Salvinia herzogii</i> de la Sota	giant salvinia	NW	
SAMO5	<i>Salvinia molesta</i> Mitchell	giant salvinia	NW	L48 (I), HI (I)
SEIN10	<i>Senecio inaequidens</i> DC.	South African ragwort	NW	
SEPUP3	<i>Setaria pumila</i> (Poir.) Roem. & Schult. ssp. <i>pallidefusca</i> (Schumach.) B.K. Simon			L48 (I)

SEPA82	<i>Setaria pallidifusca</i> (Schumach.) Stapf & C.E. Hubbard, orth. var.	cattail grass	NW	
SOTA3	<i>Solanum tampicense</i> Dunal	wetland nightshade	NW	L48 (I)
SOTO4	<i>Solanum torvum</i> Sw.	turkeyberry	NW	(I), L48 (I), HI (I), PR (I), VI (I)
SOVI2	<i>Solanum viarum</i> Dunal	tropical soda apple	NW	L48 (I)
SPER	<i>Sparganium erectum</i> L.	exotic bur-reed	NW	L48 (I)
SPAL3	<i>Spermacoce alata</i> Aubl. [excluded]	borreria	NW	
STRIG	<i>Striga</i> Lour.	witchweed	NW, Q	(N), L48 (I)
TRPR5	<i>Tridax procumbens</i> L.	coat buttons	NW	(I), L48 (I), HI (I), PR (I), VI (I)
URPA	<i>Urochloa panicoides</i> P. Beauv.	liverseed grass	NW	L48 (I)

+Code Noxious Status

NW	Noxious weed
Q	Quarantine

***Code Native Status**

I	Introduced
I,N	None
N	Native
NI	Native and Introduced
W	Waif

***Code Native Status Jurisdiction**

None	
L48	Lower 48 States
HI	Hawaii
PR	Puerto Rico
VI	Virgin Islands
CAN	Canada

¹ Mediterranean clone² other than native or widely distributed species

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- APHIS Federal Noxious Weed List
- APHIS Web: Noxious Weeds Factsheets and Publications
- APHIS-NAPIS Pest Tracker
- Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force
- Army Corps Noxious & Nuisance Plant Management Information System
- ARS: Exotic & Invasive Weed Research
- BLM: The Weed Hall of Shame
- Defense Environmental Network and Information Exchange (DENIX)
- Executive Order: Federal Effort to Combat Invasive Species (1999)
- Federal Highway Administration
- FHWA Guidance on Invasive Species
- FHWA-The Nature of Roadsides and the Tools to Work With It
- Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission-Exotic Plants
- Invasive Plants Fact Book (FICMNEW)

- [InvasiveSpeciesInfo.Gov](#)
- [MT-USDA NRCS Management and Ecology of Invasive Plant Species](#)
- [NAPPO Phytosanitary Alert System](#)
- [National Agricultural Pest Information System \(NAPIS\)](#)
- [Nonnative Invasive Plants of Southern Forests: Identification Guide](#)
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