

## JORDAN VALLEY COOPERATIVE WEED MANAGEMENT AREA Organized to Prevent and Manage Noxious Weeds

## **Canada Thistle**

**Description:** Canada thistle (Cirsium arvense) A long lived deep rooted perennial can grow to 5 feet but more commonly under 3 foot locally. Seedlings quickly produce an extensive root system and will form very dense clusters radiating from an original seedling. Spreads mainly from creeping root shoots however also produces wind borne seed. Seedlings are not particularly competitive. Leaves are wavy margined to lobed, up to 6 inches long, and armed with yellowish spines. Flower heads are urn shaped typical of the aster family and with lavender to pink flowers. Seeds are slender, tan, about 1/8 inch long, attached to a fine plume. One plant will easily produce over 5000 seeds per season with a high percentage of the m viable.

**Habitat:** Cultivated fields, riparian areas, pastures, rangelands, forests, roadsides, and waste areas.

**Origin:** Native to the northern areas of Eastern Europe around the Caspian Sea. One of the earliest introduced plants in North America, at least by 1889 in Oregon. (Gary Page, Select Noxious Weeds of Eastern Oregon)

## Control

## **Chemical Treatment:**

- Redeem R&P Rosette to bud
- Stinger or Transline Up to bud stage
- Milestone Fall regrowth or spring prebud
- Tordon Before bud
- Telar Fall rosette or bud to bloom stage
- Banvel, Clarity, Vanquish, etc. (dicamba) actively growing; during bloom
- Cimarron Max Rosette to early bolt
- Cimarron X-tra Rosette through flowering
- Glyphosate Actively growing plant at bud stage
- Confront Up to bud stage (turf)
- Lontrel Fall application and repeat in spring (turf)
- Millennium Ultra 2 (turf)

Always read and follow label directions on any chemicals. It's the law!









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