



JVCWMA

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Toward a Common Goal

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



## Scotch Thistle

**Description:** Robust biennial 3 to 6 feet in height. Stems have vertical rows of prominent, spiny, ribbon-like leaflets or wings. Basal leaves have sharp yellow spines, are up to 2 foot long and 1 foot wide. Upper and lower leaf surfaces are covered with fine woolly hairs, giving the foliage a grey green appearance. Plants flower in mid summer with globe or urn shaped flower heads, in groups of 2 or 3 at branch tips. Flower heads are up to 2 inches in diameter, with long, stiff, sharp bracts at the base. Flowers range from dark pink to lavender. Seeds are smooth, slender, plumed and may remain viable for 20 years, however seeds suffer high rates of loss to insect, bird and rodent predation. Scotch thistle reduce forage production and large spiny plants present a barrier to livestock and wildlife, preventing animals from grazing or accessing water.

**Habitat:** Scotch thistle is often associated with waste areas, as well as rivers, streams, canals, or other waterways. It can be abundant in dry pastures, fields, and rangeland. (Selected Noxious Weeds of Eastern Oregon, Gary Page)



### Please attend

Your input is vital to the continued success of the  
Jordan Valley CWMA

### Control:

Can be controlled by severing the root about 1 inch below the soil surface.

- Telar or Escort - Actively growing rosettes
- Cimarron Max - Actively growing rosette
- Cimarron X-tra - Rosette stage
- Redeem R&P, Stinger or Transline - Rosette to early bolt stage
- Curtail - late rosette to just before bud
- Milestone - rosette to bolting stages
- Chaparral - rosette to bolt
- Tordon - rosette in the fall
- 2,4-D - before bolt
- Glyphosate bud stage
- Dicamba - fall or spring before bolt
- Throttle XP - pre-emergence or early postemergence
- Campaign - rosette in fall or in spring

*Always read and follow label directions*

*It's The Law*

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