

# OASISS Prioritized Invasive Plant Species

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## Legend

Provincial EDRR	Plant species are either not present in the province, or exist in limited extent and are being managed by the provincial government. May or may not occur within the RDOS.
Regional EDRR Species	Outbreaks are new or are a high risk species limited in extent. Poses a significant threat and has a high likelihood of spread. <b>Management objective is to eradicate from the region.</b>
High Priority Species	Outbreaks are limited in population and distribution and have significant potential to spread in the region, however, they are beyond the point of eradicating. If the population is low enough, the objective will be to control every site annually. <b>Management objective is to contain in order to prevent further expansion.</b>
Medium Priority Species	Outbreaks have a broader population distribution with potential to spread further in a region. <b>Management objective is to control in areas with a high likelihood of spread to prevent further expansion.</b> This may include protecting species at risk, sensitive habitats, agriculture or other societal values.
Low Priority Species	Plant species is widespread. Outbreaks may be of concern in specific situations on the landscape. <b>Management objective is case by case.</b>
Biological control	Species is treated primarily with biological control agents or considered under successful biological control in the region.
Watch list	Present in bordering regional districts or jurisdictions. Sometimes in similar environments. This includes species present in Washington state, Central or North Okanagan Regional District, Fraser Valley Regional District, Thompson Nicola Regional District and the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary.

		OASISS PRIORITY						
Common Name	Scientific Name	Watch list	Provincial EDRR	Regional EDRR	HIGH	MEDIUM	LOW	Biological Control
African-rue	<i>Peganum harmala L.</i>	X						
Annual wheatgrass	<i>Eremopyrum triticeum</i>	X						
Baby’s breath	<i>Gypsophila paniculata</i>					X		
Black henbane*	<i>Hyoscyamus niger</i>		X					
Black locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>						X	
Blueweed	<i>Echium vulgare</i>				X			
Brazilian elodea	<i>Egeria densa Planch</i>	X						
Broom, French	<i>Genista monspessulana</i>		X					
Broom, Portuguese	<i>Cytisus striatus</i>		X					
Broom, Scotch	<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>	X						
Bull thistle	<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>						X	
Burdock spp.	<i>Arctium spp</i>						X	
Camel thorn	<i>Alhagi maurorum Medik</i>	X						
Common bugloss	<i>Anchusa officinalis</i>			X				
Common crupina	<i>Crupina vulgaris</i>		X					
Common tansy**	<i>Tanacetum vulgare</i>						X	
Dyer’s woad	<i>Isatis tinctoria</i>		X					
Eggleaf spurge	<i>Euphorbia oblongata</i>	X						
European common reed*	<i>Phragmites australis subsp</i>		X					
False-brome, slender	<i>Brachypodium</i>		X					
Field scabious	<i>Knautia arvensis</i>	X						

Flowering rush	<i>Butomus umbellatus</i>		X					
Foxtail, slender/meadow	<i>Alopecurus myosuroides</i>	X						
Garlic mustard**	<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	X						
Giant hogweed	<i>Heracleum mantegazzianum</i>	X						
Hawkweed, orange**	<i>Hieracium aurantiacum</i>						X	
Hawkweed, mouse-ear	<i>Hieracium pilosella</i>		X					
Hawkweed, yellow	<i>Hieracium spp</i>						X	
Hawkweed, whiplash	<i>Hieracium flagellare</i>	X						
Himalayan balsam	<i>Impatiens glandulifera</i>				X			
Himalayan blackberry	<i>Rubus discolor</i>					X		
Hoary alyssum	<i>Berteroa incana</i>					X		
Hoary cress	<i>Cardaria draba</i>						X	
Hound's-tongue	<i>Cynoglossum officinale</i>							X
Japanese butterbur	<i>Petasites japonicus</i>	X						
Johnsongrass	<i>Sorghum halepense</i>	X						
Jointed goatgrass*	<i>Aegilops cylindrica</i>		X					
Knapweed species (brown, black, meadow, bighead)	<i>Centaurea spp.</i>	X						
Knapweed, diffuse	<i>Centaurea diffusa</i>							X
Knapweed, Russian**	<i>Acroptilon repens</i>						X	
Knapweed, spotted**	<i>Centaurea biebersteinii</i>						X	
Knapweed, squarrose	<i>Centaurea virgata</i>	X						
Knotweed species (Bohemian and Japanese)**	<i>Fallopia and Polygonum</i>				X			
Knotweed, Himalayan	<i>Polygonum polystachyum</i>	X						
Leafy spurge**	<i>Euphorbia esula</i>				X			
Longspine sandbur	<i>Cenchrus longispinus</i>					X		
Meadow clary	<i>Salvia pratensis</i>	X						
Medusahead	<i>medusae</i>	X						
Myrtle Spurge	<i>Euphorbia myrsinites</i>						X	
North Africa grass	<i>Ventenata dubia</i>	X						
Perennial pepperweed	<i>Lepidium latifolium</i>		X					
Poison hemlock	<i>Conium maculatum</i>	X						
Puncturevine**	<i>Tribulus terrestris</i>					X		
Purple loosestrife	<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>							X
Rush skeletonweed**	<i>Chondrilla juncea</i>			X				
Russian olive**	<i>Elaeagnus angustifolia</i>					X		
Sage, clary	<i>Salvia sclarea</i>	X						
Salt cedar	<i>Tamarix chinensis</i>						X	
Scentless chamomile	<i>Tripleurospermum perforatum</i>				X			
Siberian elm	<i>Ulmus pumila</i>					X		
Spurge flax	<i>Thymelaea passerine</i>	X						
St. John's wort**	<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>						X	
Sulphur cinquefoil	<i>Potentilla recta</i>					X		

Syrian bean-caper	<i>Zygophyllum fabago</i>	X						
Tansy ragwort**	<i>Senecio jacobaea</i>					X		
Thistle, Canada**	<i>Cirsium arvense</i>						X	
Thistle, marsh plume	<i>Cirsium palustre</i>	X						
Thistle, milk	<i>Silybum marianum</i>	X						
Thistle, nodding**	<i>Carduus nutans</i>						X	
Thistle, plumeless	<i>Carduus acanthoides</i>						X	
Thistle, Scotch	<i>Onopordum acanthium</i>					X		
Toadflax, Dalmatian	<i>Linaria dalmatica</i>							X
Toadflax, yellow**	<i>Linaria vulgaris</i>					X		
Teasel	<i>Dipsacus fullonum</i>			X				
Tree of heaven**	<i>Ailanthus altissima</i>					X		
Velvetleaf	<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i>			X				
Water hyacinth	<i>Eichhornia crassipes</i>		X					
Water lettuce	<i>Pistia stratiotes</i>		X					
Wild chervil	<i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i>	X						
Wild-4-O'clock	<i>Mirabilis nyctaginea</i>					X		
Wild parsnip	<i>Pastinaca sativa</i>	X						
Yellow flag-iris	<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>				X			
Yellow floating heart*	<i>Nymphoides peltata</i>		X					
Yellow starthistle	<i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>		X					

\*Known to occur in the region

\*\*Biological control is available/present; HOWEVER, efficacy has not been widespread or successful enough to include in 'Biological control' column