

Priority Invasive Weeds of the Lake Tahoe Basin

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This list is prepared by the Lake Tahoe Basin Weeds Coordinating Group and reviewed and updated annually. It is utilized by the group and stakeholders as a guide in evaluating annual action plans, treatment protocols and new project proposals.

Group 1 Species: Watch For, Report, and Eradicate Immediately:

These species are:

- a) Not currently present in the Lake Tahoe Basin and are documented in areas adjacent to the basin where potential for introduction is high OR
- b) Present only as small, eradicable populations.

The letter following each species in Group 1 denotes the infestation type as detailed above. Aggressive treatment will be pursued when these species are found. Educational programs will target early detection and reporting of these species.

1. Musk thistle (*Carduus nutans*) - a
2. Scotch thistle (*Onopordum acanthium*) – a
3. Tamarisk/saltcedar (*Tamarix spp.*) - a
4. Medusahead (*Taeniatherum caput-medusae*) - a
5. Stinkwort (*Dittrichia graveolens*) – a
6. Reed canarygrass (*Phalaris arundinacea*) – a
7. Dyer's woad (*Isatis tinctoria*) – a
8. Purple starthistle (*Centaurea calcitrapa*) – a
9. Canada thistle (*Cirsium arvense*) – b
10. Diffuse knapweed (*Centaurea diffusa*) - b
11. Hoary cress (*Cardaria species*) – b
12. Rush skeletonweed (*Chondrilla juncea*) - b
13. Russian knapweed (*Centaurea repens*) – b
14. Sulfur cinquefoil (*Potentilla recta*) - b
15. Teasel (*Dipsacus fullonum*) - b
16. Yellow starthistle (*Centaurea solstitialis*) – b
17. Tree of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*) – b
18. Purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*) - b

Group 2 Species: Manage Infestations With a Goal of Eradication

Encourage the management/control of populations of these species to prevent further spread in the Lake Tahoe Basin. Isolated populations will be targeted for eradication.

19. Bull thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*)
20. Dalmatian toadflax (*Linaria dalmatica*)
21. Klamathweed (*Hypericum perforatum*)
22. Oxeye daisy (*Chrysanthemum leucanthemum*)
23. Perennial pepperweed (*Lepidium latifolium*)
24. Scotch broom (*Cytisus scoparius*)
25. Spotted knapweed (*Centaurea biebersteinii*)
26. Yellow toadflax (*Linaria vulgaris*)