



South Carolina Exotic Pest Plant Council



State Early Detection and Rapid Response System Non-Native Invasive Plants Committee Work Plan

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II. EDRR Target Species – November, 2008

	Regulated Species:	EDRR Zones of Concern
State Early Detection (ED) Species (Non-native invasive plants which threaten but are not known to occur in South Carolina)	1. Benghal Dayflower (<i>Commelina benghalensis</i>) L. jio	All
	2. Giant Hogweed (<i>Heracleum mantegazzianum</i>) Sommier & Levier	M, P
	3. Karib-weed, Giant Salvinia (<i>Salvinia molesta</i>) Mitchell (Eradicated from Colleton County in 1995)	All
	4. Professor-weed, Goatsrue (<i>Galega officinalis</i>) L.	All
	5. Japanese Dodder (<i>Cuscuta japonica</i>) Choisy (Eradicated from the Clemson Arboretum in 1994)	All
	6. Hellroot, Small Broomrape (<i>Orobancha minor</i>) Sm. (Eradicated from Erskine College Campus in 1993)	All
	7. Burningbush, Winged Euonymus (<i>Euonymus alatus</i>) (Thunb.)Siebold	M, P
	Other ED Species:	
	8. Canada Thistle (<i>Cirsium arvense</i>) (L.) Scop.	M, P
	9. Chocolate Vine (<i>Akebia quinata</i>) (Houtt.) Decne.	M, P
	10. Woodrush flatsedge, Deeprouted Sedge (<i>Cyperus entrianus</i>) Boeckeler	All
	11. Garlic Mustard (<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>) (M.Bieb.) Cavara & Grande	M, P
	12. Bushkiller (<i>Cayratia japonica</i>) (Thunb.) Gagnep.	P
	13. Oriental Bittersweet (<i>Celastrus orbiculatus</i>) Thunb.	M, P
	14. Small-leaf or Old World Climbing Fern (<i>Lygodium microphyllum</i>) (Cav.)R.Br.	P, CP
15. Purple Loosestrife (<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>) L.	M, P	
State Rapid Response Species (Non-native invasive plants which are limited in distribution yet potentially pose a threat to SC resources)	Regulated Species:	
	16. Cogongrass (<i>Imperata cylindrica</i>) (L.)P.Beauv.	All
	17. Common Reed (<i>Phragmites australis</i>) (Cav.)Trin.ex Steud.	CP
	18. Waterhyme or Hydrilla (<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>) (L.f.)Royle	All
	19. Tropical Soda Apple (<i>Solanum viarum</i>) Dunal	All
	20. Asiatic Witchweed (<i>Striga asiatica</i>) (L.)Kuntze	All
	Other EDRR Species:	
21. Roundleaf chastetree or Beach Vitex (<i>Vitex rotundifolia</i>) L.f.	CP	
22. Japanese Knotweed (<i>Polygonum cuspidatum</i>) Siebold &	All	

	Zucc.	
	23. Tamarisk or Saltcedar (<i>Tamarix</i> sp.)	CP
	24. Japanese Climbing Fern (<i>Lygodium japonicum</i>) (Thunb.)Sw.	All

*Authorities, latin and common names based on the PLANTS database @ <http://plants.usda.gov/index.html>. EDRR Zones of Concern include Blue Ridge Mountains (M), Piedmont (P), Coastal Plain (CP), based on maps from the SC Plant Atlas, the SE-EPPC EDDMAPS database, and observations of local experts.

III. State EDRR Detection and Reporting Network (Contact Directory of Agency Field Personnel and Trained Volunteers).

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IV. Rapid Assessment Guidelines

A. Rapid Assessment Target Species:	As Applicable
B. Rapid Assessment Guidelines (Evaluation of New Exotic Plants for Invasiveness)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Identity, Biology, Ecology b. Current Distribution (World, U.S., State EDRR Zones of Concern) c. History of Invasiveness d. Regulatory Status (other Countries, Federal, State, Local) e. Pathways of Introduction and Spread f. Impacted Stakeholders and Resources g. Potential Stakeholders and Resources h. Control/Containment/Eradication Methods i. Potential for Success as an EDRR Initiative (Total Eradication from EDRR Zones of Concern) j. Estimated Cost of Eradication/Acre k. Potential Funding Sources l. Short Term/Long Terms Impacts if no action is taken.

V. Rapid Response Initiatives – Eradication of Confirmed EDRR Target Species

A. Established Cooperative Weed Management Areas	ALL
B. Established Invasive Plant Eradication Task Forces (e.g., Carolinas Beach Vitex Task Force, Cogongrass Task Force)	<p>Carolinas Beach Vitex Task Force Betsy Brabson, Coordinator, Georgetown, SC – 843-546-9531); wbrabson@sccoast.net</p> <p>South Carolina Cogongrass Task Force Dr. George Kessler, Clemson University gksslr@CLEMSON.EDU</p>
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Appendix 1. State, Regional, and National EDRR Information Systems (Archival of Invasive Plant Distribution Records).

National Level	<p>USDA Plants Database http://plants.usda.gov/</p> <p>APHIS National Agricultural Pest Information System (NAPIS) http://ceris.purdue.edu/napis/</p> <p>- USGS NBII EDRR Framework http://edrr.nbii.gov/portal/server.pt</p>
Regional Level	<p>- Invasive Plant Atlas of the New England (www.ipane.org) Les Mehrhoff, Director, U-CONN, 860-486-5708; les.mehrhoff@uconn.edu</p> <p>- Invasive Plant Atlas of the Mid-South (MS State University) (http://www.gri.msstate.edu/ipams/) John Madsen, Director, MS State; 662-325-2428); jmadsen@gri.msstate.edu</p> <p>- Invaders Database System (Northwest- University of Montana, Missoula) http://invader.dbs.umt.edu/ Peter Rice, Director, University of Montana; (406) 243-2671; peter.rice@umontana.edu</p>
State and Regional Level	<p>- EDDMAPS @ http://se-eppc.org</p>

Appendix 2. State Geographical Index (Natural and Administrative Land Units to help in identifying habitats at risk, impacted and potential stakeholders, as well as responsible agencies and organizations).

NATURAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAND UNITS				
Political Subdivisions	State	South Carolina – Official Website: http://www.sc.gov/		
	Counties	http://www.sciway.net/cnty/		
	Cities, Towns, Villages	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Category:Cities_in_South_Carolina		
Local Land Units	Public Lands	National Parks, Monuments, Battlefields in SC	http://www.discoversouthcarolina.com/parks/nationalparks.aspx	
		SC Parks and Historic Sites	www.southcarolinaparks.com	
		SC DNR Managed Lands	www.dnr.sc.gov/conservation.html	
		National Wildlife Refuges in SC	http://www.fws.gov/southeast/maps/sc.html	
		National Forests in SC	Francis Marion & Sumter NF @ www.fs.fed.us/r8/fms/	
		Natural Resource Conservation Service	http://www.sc.nrcs.usda.gov/	
		SC State Forests	http://www.state.sc.us/forest/recreat.htm	
		Military Installations	http://www.sciway.net/gov/mil_bases.html	
		DOE Lands	Savannah River Site http://www.srs.gov/general/srs-home.html	
		Federal and State DOT	http://www.scdot.org/resources/default.shtml	
		Private Lands	TNC Ecological Preserves	http://www.nature.org/wherewework/northamerica/states/southcarolina/
			SC Land Trusts	http://sccbanc.sc.gov/entitlandtrust.html