

# A Complete Listing of All Invasive Plants of Concern in the Southern Region

*401 invasive plants of threat or concern to the southern region of the United States have been compiled into a most valuable new spreadsheet available on the Internet.*

“Invasive Plants of Thirteen Southern States” includes all invasive plants regulated by law in any of the 13 southern states, plus those prohibited by federal agencies pertaining to these states, and those listed by state exotic pest plant councils.

The web-based spreadsheet can be sorted by species, state, growth form or any of the other headers in the table, with a click of the mouse. There also are links to images and added information for most species. It readily reveals the states with noxious weed laws, and invasive plant councils with invasive species lists. This should greatly assist other states that lack laws or lists in constructing their own, and will help all states in making their lists complete. Adjacent states can view what their neighbors are doing to combat invasive plants, and councils and state governments can see



what others judge as threatening species. Links take users to respective web sites with the complete laws and lists for each state. These include laws in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, North Carolina, and South Carolina; lists in Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee and Virginia; and the Federal Noxious Weed List. Also included is the list of invasive plants being monitored by the USDA

Forest Service, Southern Region and state forestry agencies as part of the Forest Inventory and Monitoring Survey. The USDA Forest Service’s “Regional forester’s list and ranking structure of invasive exotic plant species of management concern (2001)” has been included as a “policy” that guides invasive plant management on National Forest lands.

This unique tool was compiled by James H. Miller (jmiller01@fs.fed.us) and Erwin Chambliss, USDA Forest Service, Southern Research Station, and armed for web use by Charles T. Barger, The Bugwood Network, University of Georgia. It can be accessed at the Bugwood web site, <http://www.invasive.org/seweeds.cfm> or from the SE-EPPC web site, [www.se-eppc.org](http://www.se-eppc.org), (see [Invasive Plants of Southern States Lists](#)).

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