



Look out for invasive grass weeds!

Grass weeds are highly invasive plants that:

- compete with desirable pastures and native vegetation
- are adapted to a wide range of environments
- have large persistent seedbanks
- can cause animal health problems
- lower land values, productivity and reduce bio-diversity

How are grass weeds introduced?

The smallest of seeds can be carried far and wide by vehicles, machinery, equipment, animals and livestock potentially spreading weeds to farms and bushland across the Riverina. Weeds can also be transported in soil, clothing and footwear.

Although preventing the spread of weeds can be difficult, it is the cheapest and most effective method of weed control.

no space 4 weeds



Cane needle grass Nassella hyalina



Hyparrhenia hirta

Chilean needle grass Nasella neesiana

How can you help?

Be aware and follow these simple steps to prevent the spread of grass weeds:

- early detection learn how to recognise grass weeds and have unknown plants identified
- rapid response report suspicious plants to your local council weeds officer

 good hygiene practices - limit machinery and stock movement between infested and weed free areas



Did you know that weeds are easily spread along roadsides? Red guide posts have been placed to identify serious weed locations. Avoid the red guide posted sites by not stopping in these areas.



Known locations in the Riverina

Cane needle grass - Wagga Wagga Chilean needle grass - primarily on roadsides in Albury; Corowa; Greater Hume; Jerilderie; Tumut; Urana; Wagga Wagga

a few well established large patches on roadsides recall program.





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Look out for these grass weeds on or near your property





Serrated tussock Nassella trichotoma

GRASS WEEDS

- Coolatai grass detected in several Riverina council areas. Infestations are mostly minor with only
- Mexican feather grass approximately 4000 plants were mistakenly sold through the nursery trade from January to May 2008. some of these in Albury stores. Not all were recovered through a
- Serrated tussock Albury; Cootamundra; Corowa; Greater Hume; Gundagai; Tumut; Wagga Wagga Spiny burrgrass - mainly a weed of Western Riverina. It has also been detected in Greater Hume

NEW SOUTH WALES

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Spiny burrgrass Cenchrus incertus, C. longispinus

