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RIGHT OF WAY ISSUES IN AN URBAN AND RURAL ENVIRONMENT

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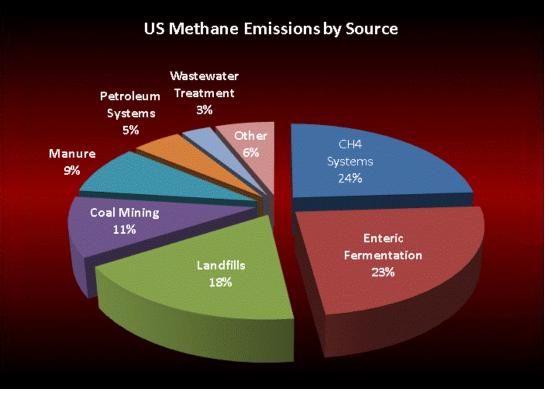


Cell Phone Management – Turn On Mute, Take Pictures of Slackers, E-mail To Me For Public Consumption





Yee Ha, Let's Get Western Estimated cattle population in U.S. = 98.4 million





TODAY'S GOAL

INCREASE YOUR AWARENESS OF ALL THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF **RIGHT-OF-WAY WEED CONTROL**, (17 million acres) PRIMARILY THRU THE USE OF HERBICIDES

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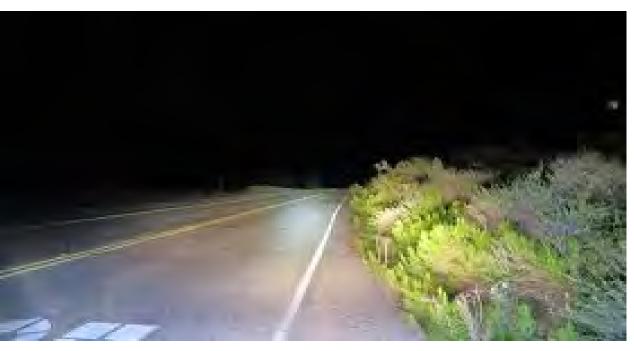
- Identify R-O-W site locations.
- How weeds compete/thrive in a R-O-W environment.
- Why do we control weeds in a R-O-W environment.
- How invasive noxious weeds impact the environment.
- Herbicide versatility.
- Herbicides have no conscience.
- Herbicide traits and characteristics.

Why Control Vegetation On R-O-W's?











How Do Weeds Compete & Thrive

What Does It Mean When We Hear The Phrase, "You Need To Reduce Competition In Order To Establish Grasses"?

IPM = Cultural Control

- Establishment of desirable and **COmpetitive** vegetation.
- Restoration Shift dominance from weeds to desirable species.
 - Recognize and accept establishment of desirable grasses.
 - Choose proper grasses for R-O-W sites.
 - Understand herbicide versatility, then institute and commit.

Competitive Grasses

No Grasses, No Competition = Spotted Knapweed

How Do Weeds Self/Cross-Pollinate?

WIND is a major vector







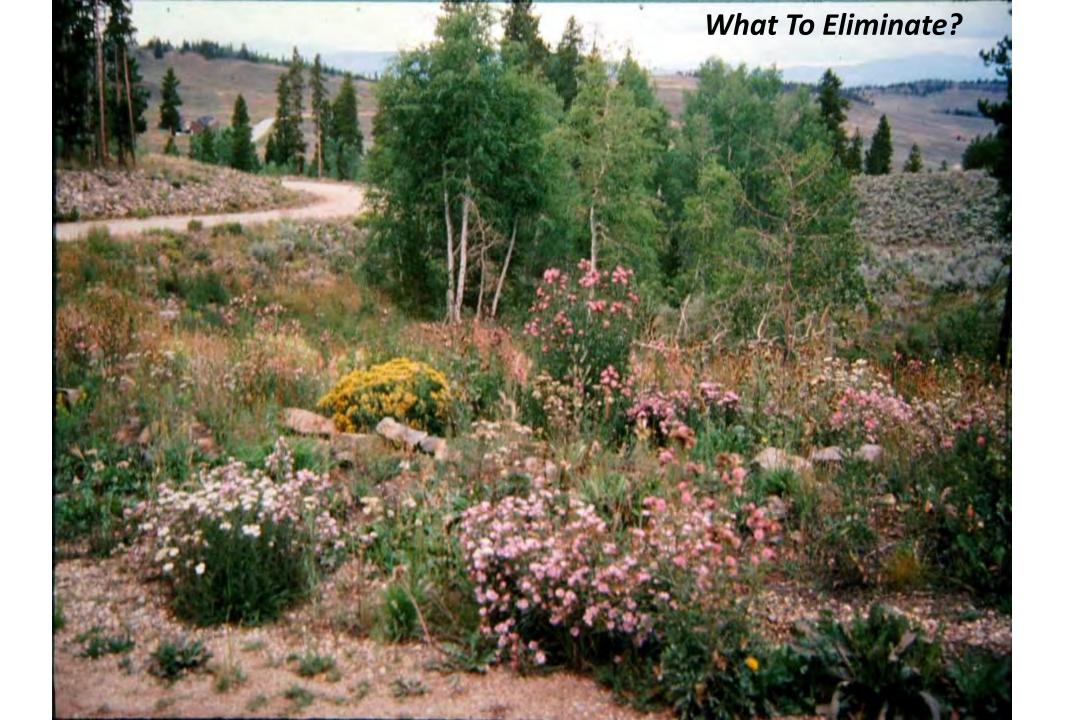






Impact of Invasive Noxious Weeds

Herbicide/Market Segmentation

















Confront/Redeem or Escort/Manor?

Successful R-O-W Programs

(Pictures Are Worth a Thousand Words)

1. Label Considerations/Interpretations

2. Herbicide Versatility

3. Factors Affecting Herbicide Performance

4. Product/Rate Recommendations

TERMINOLOGY

• Turf, Tree and Ornamental

- Non-Turf
 - Flower beds, ground covers, nursery stock, shrubs, coniferous & deciduous trees.
- Soft Residual Products (Selective-Preemergent)
 - Surflan, Barricade, Dimension, Gallery, Pendulum, Ronstar, Treflan, Snapshot, SureGuard.

Vegetation Management

- Bareground
 - Railroad, utilities, storage, highways, airports, industrial plant sites, right-of-way.
- Hard Residual Products (Non-Selective-Preemergent)
 - Krovar, Sahara, Arsenal, Perspective, Oust, Hyvar.

Factors to Consider in Herbicide Choices on ROW

- Selective versus non selective
 - Selective Roadsides, irrigation ditch banks, some open space, fence lines.
 - Non selective Oil & gas sites, substations, power plants, equipment yards, guardrails.
 - The soil residual on all herbicides can be determined by the seeding restrictions stated on label.
 - 2, 4-D, dicamba, etc. has 21 -45 days seeding restrictions.
 - Perspective, Tordon 22K, Telar, Milestone seeding restrictions are 90 120 days seeding restrictions.
 - Can be referred to as soft residual versus hard residual herbicides.
 - Hard residuals have less of a conscience. All are safe to use on grasses, but Tordon 22K is death near trees, while Telar is safe to use around trees. Milestone is in between. Show respect, but can be more aggressive than Tordon 22K.
 - Some herbicides like glyphosate are categorized as non selective, but a soft residual, because there are no seeding restrictions. Can treat in the morning, and theoretically plant that afternoon.

Herbicide Versatility = Range Rate

- Post Emergent versus Preemergent
 - Post emergent herbicides can be both selective and non selective.
 - Some herbicides can be both, depending on rate – Perspective, Oust, Esplanade.

Factors to Consider in ROW Herbicide Choices

• Plant Identification is Fundamental

- Annual versus biennial versus perennial.
 - Kochia versus Bull Thistle versus Canada Thistle
- Broadleaf weed control versus grass control.
 - Leafy Spurge versus Foxtail Barley
- Winter annual versus summer annual.
 - Cheatgrass/Medusahead versus Puncturevine.

Herbicide Options

- With dense, established grass stands, use longer soil residual herbicides such as Tordon 22K, Milestone and Telar for perennial weed control.
- With sparse, thin grass stands, consider using shorter soil residual herbicides such as Overdrive, Paramount, E-2 for both perennial and annual weed control.

• Longer soil residual herbicides inhibit grass germination.

Reseeding/Overseeding Restrictions

PRODUCT	WAITING PERIOD	PRODUCT	WAITING PERIOD
Banvel	45 Days	Glyphosate Pro 4	No waiting period
Barricade 65 WDG	120 - 180 Days	Tordon 22K	120 -180 Days
Redeem R & P	21 Days	Perspective	365 Days
4# Amine (CB)	21 - 28 Days	Surflan AS	90 – 120 days
Telar	0 – 365 Days	Trimec Classic	21 – 28 Days
Paramount	No waiting period	Vessel	21 – 28 Days
Escalade	21 – 28 Days	Vanquish/Clarity	45 Days
Transline	21 Days	Speedzone	14 Days
Pendulum 3.3 EC	90 Days	Quicksilver	1 Day

Right of Way Issues In An Urban Environment

How To Take Advantage Of Herbicide Versatility & Label Restrictions

•Reduce chemical inventory

•Reduce chemical cost

•Reduce labor cost

- •Identify site locations with weed problems
- •Identify herbicides that can be used in multiple site locations
- •Stay legal with use of herbicides















What defines an aquatic site? How do you determine the need to use an aquatic herbicide? Can You Say – NPDES. 100 year flood event.

Before





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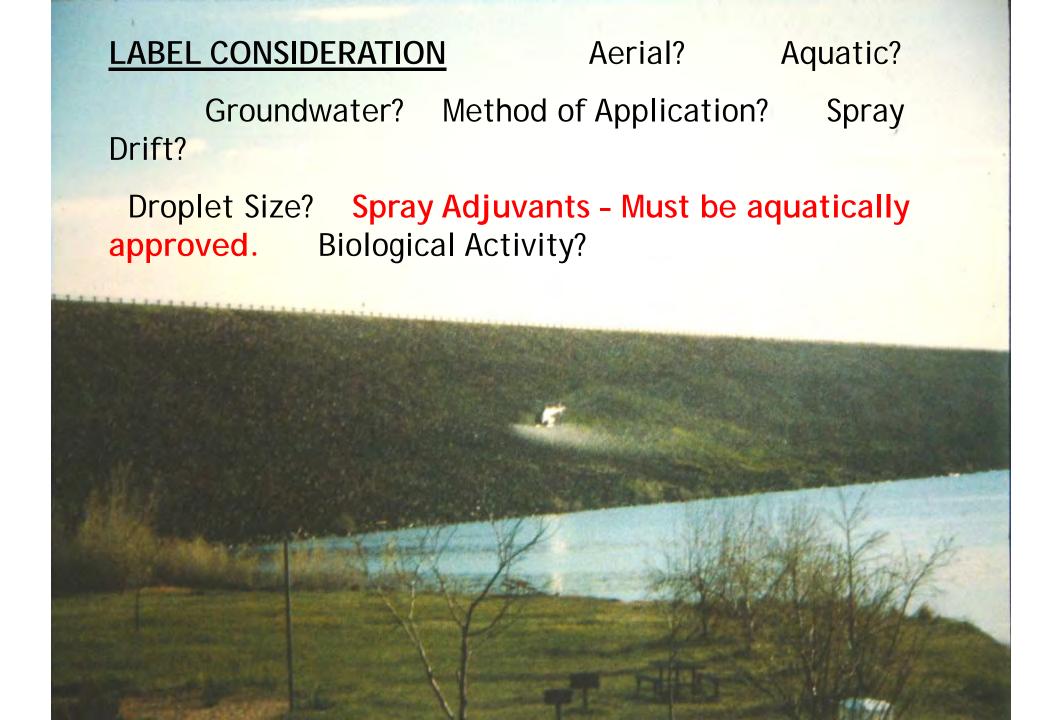
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LABEL CONSIDERATION





Understanding Expectations

Selective Noxious Weed Control
90 % Control – Victory! (By who's standard?)
Non-Selective Weed Control
100 % Control – Victory! (By who's standard?)

Standards are created by either customer or applicator

FACTORS AFFECTING PERFORMANCE

- Herbicide mode of action
- Type of plants (annual or perennial)
- Soil (PH)
- Water (PH)
- THE APPLICATION
- Temperature
- Surfactants
- Sunlight

Herbicide Delivery Systems

Spray Equipment





Poor Structural Planning

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Labeled For Use On Various Industrial Sites



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Railroads

Pipeline ROW

Petroleum Tank Farms











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Lumber yard Storage areas Industrial plant sites Airports









Range/Non-Crop or Pasture



Non-Crop/R-O-W Versus Range/Pasture Herbicides

A Review Of What Defines A Non-Crop Herbicide As Opposed To A Range/Pasture Labeled Herbicide

Criteria - Continued

- "If I make a commitment to not hay or graze my land for a year, can I use a current non-crop herbicide"
- 1. That land by the essence of the question is land that is already being hayed or grazed and is more than likely land that is taxed as agricultural land.
- 2. Current non-crop herbicide labels do not meet the criteria therefore cannot be used in range/pasture site locations.

What Are Grazing Tolerances?

- When a herbicide label states that it has grazing tolerances or no grazing restrictions, it means animals such as cattle, horses, and other **domesticated** animals can safely and legally graze the treated vegetation.
- Only herbicides that have undergone stringent testing (under EPA guidelines) and registration are able to gain this label designation.

Grazing Tolerances - continued

- When treating an area such as a right-of-way that crosses a pasture, even if the herbicide is registered on right-of-ways, EPA still requires a tolerance or exemption from tolerance for any food or feed commodity, including meat, grass or hay.
- This means that unless it can be assured that no animals graze the treated area, the herbicide manufacturer may have an unenforceable label and the product could be cancelled, and the applicator may be liable for a misapplication.
- Vanquish herbicide addresses this issue, and allows use, only in the R-O-W designated areas.

Grazing Tolerances versus Grazing Restrictions

- A herbicide that contains grazing tolerances on its label allows cattle and **other domesticated animals** to safely graze treated vegetation.
- A herbicide that contains grazing restrictions on its label means that applications may not come in contact with grazed areas.
- This is a violation of the label and causes any animal that grazes the treated vegetation to be unfit for slaughter and human consumption.

Grazing Tolerances vs Restrictions

- If treated grazed areas with a herbicide that does not have grazing tolerances, it is a violation of the label and subject to state and federal regulatory action.
- Having grazing tolerances is similar to using herbicides with both aquatic and terrestrial use site labeling.
- When a herbicide has both aquatic and terrestrial labeling, applicators are able to treat entire ROW's, even when encountering creeks, streams and wetlands, treating to the waters edge, and more.
- Aquatically approved 4# Amine, Arsenal, Garlon 3A.

Wildlife vs Domesticated Animals



What Is The Definition Of Grazed Areas?

- The definition of grazed areas can be broad, and ambiguous. It mainly refers to pasture or rangeland set aside for grazing cattle or other **domesticated** animals.
- Grazing animals are liable to escape these lands, and when they do, they tend to gravitate toward the best-looking grass, where they will graze until gathered.
- Murphy's Law will then apply, and that ROW may be treated with a herbicide that has grazing restrictions.

Definition Of Grazed Areas – cont.

- In certain states, harvesting of hay along roadsides or even utility ROW's is commonplace.
- If that harvested hay has been treated with herbicides without grazing tolerances, cattle that eat it could become affected, die or become unsellable at market.
- This means that even if designated pastures weren't treated, there are still potential liability issues that may occur if you treat anywhere near grazed areas with herbicides that have no grazing tolerances.



Grazing & Haying Restrictions

PRODUCT	HAY HARVEST RESTRICTIONS	LIVESTOCK GRAZING RES.	LACTATING DAIRY	SLAUGHTER RESTRICTIONS
4# Amine	30 Days	0	7 Days	3 Days
4/6# LV Ester	30 Days	0	7 Days	3 Days
Overdrive	0	0	0	0
Dicamba	37 -70 Days	0	7 – 40 Days	30 Days
Escort XP	0 – 3 days	0 – 3 Days	0 – 3 Days	0
Grazon P + D	30 Days	0	7 Days	3 Days
Plateau	7 days	0	0	0
Milestone	0	0	0	0
Tordon 22K	14 Days	0	14 days	3 days
Telar XP	0	0	0	0
Perspective	Non Crop	Non Crop	Non Crop	Non Crop

ADJACENT VEGETATION AND PROPERTY

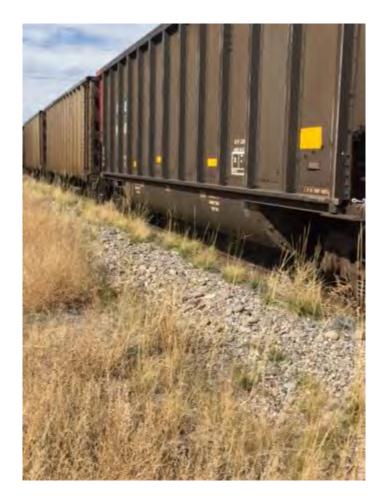
- KNOW CHEMICAL TOLERANCE OF ADJACENT VEGETATION
- BE VERY CAREFUL AROUND AGRICULTURE CROPS
- BUFFER SENSITIVE AREAS

Bareground/Sensitive Area



Rabbit Brush/Grasses 3 Years After Treatment





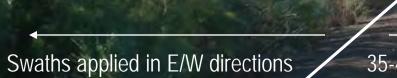
5 Years After Treatment











35-45 ft of Untreated Area along Colorado River

Drift Management

Cibola National Wildlife Refuge – Western AZ





Bareground - Hard Residual/Initial Treatments

PRODUCT	RATE/ACRE	COST/ACRE
• Krovar I DF	10 pounds	\$ 126.50
• Sahara DG	10 pounds	\$ 126.50
 Perspective/Esplanade 	11 ounces + 7 ounces	\$ 117.10
 Arsenal/Piper 	3 pints + 10 ounces	\$ 113.20
 Viewpoint/Frequency 	20 ounces + 4 ounces	\$ 102.78
• Throttle XP	12.5 ounces	\$ 88.51
 Perspective/Frequency 	11 ounces + 4 ounces	\$ 80.00
 Arsenal/Frequency 	3 pints + 4 ounces	\$ 76.11
• Viewpoint	20 ounces	\$ 73.38
 Perspective/Oust 	11 ounces + 3 ounces	\$ 65.60

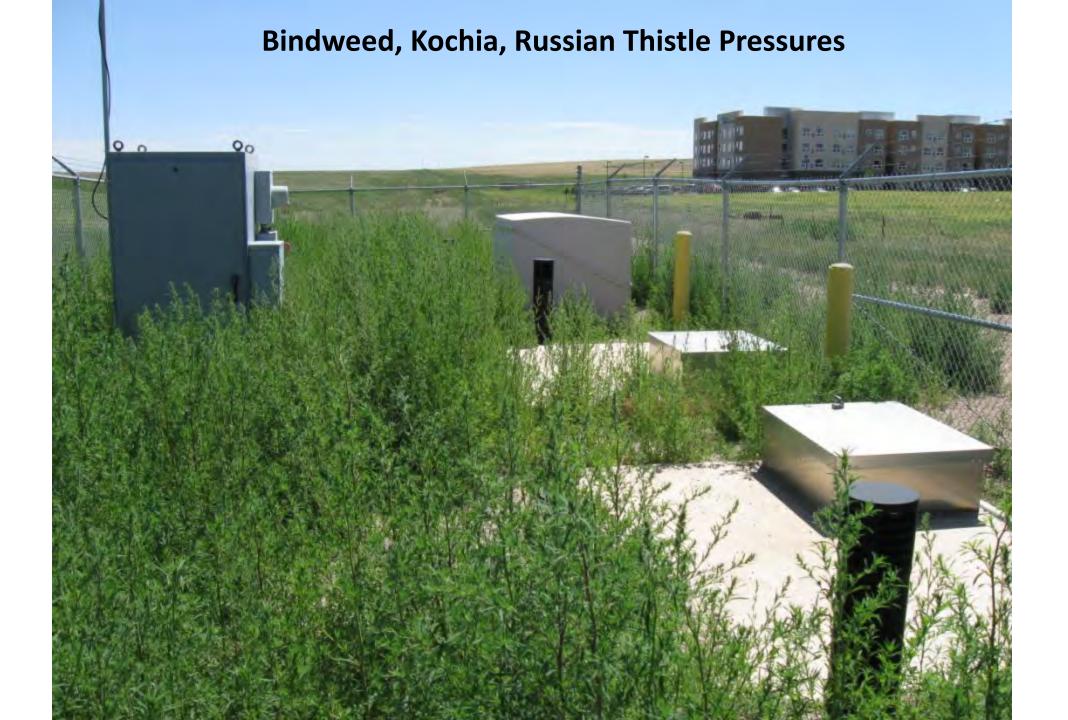
Bareground – Soft Residual/Maintenance

<u>PRODUCT</u>	RATE/ACRE	COST/ACRE
• Surflan AS/Piper	1 gallon + 10 ounces	\$ 119.50
 Proclipse/Piper 	2.3 pounds + 10 ounces	\$ 103.53
 Esplanade/Frequency 	7 ounces + 5 ounces	\$ 97.10
 Piper/Frequency 	10 ounces + 4 ounces	\$ 95.90
• Journey/Piper	1 quart + 10 ounces	\$ 92.08
 Surflan AS/Frequency 	1 gallon + 4 ounces	\$ 82.40
 Plateau/Piper 	12 ounces + 10 ounces	\$ 81.50
 Proclipse/Frequency 	2.3 pounds + 4 ounces	\$ 66.43
 Pendulum 3.3/Frequency 	4.8 quarts + 4 ounces	\$ 66.12
 Plateau/Frequency 	12 ounces + 4 ounces	\$ 44.40













WEED CONTROL UNDER ASPHALT

- Parking Lots
- Industrial Areas
- Paved Sidings
- Sidewalks
- Cart & Bike Paths
- Driveways

- Roadways
- Airport Runways
- Tennis Courts
- Landscaped Areas
- Running Tracks
- Sports Fields







Rescue Treatment 3 Weeks Later

Arsenal or Plateau?

Herbicides for Under Surfacing Materials

PRODUCT	FORM	A.I.	RATE/ACRE
Arsenal 0.5G	Granules	0.5% Imazapyr	200-300 lbs
Casaron 4G	Granules	4% Dichlobenil	250-300 lbs
Sprakil SK-13	Granules	1% Tebuthiuron + 3% Diuron	150-400 lbs

Herbicides Under Asphalt Use-cont.

PRODUCT	FORM	A.I.	RATE/ACRE
Arsenal	Sprayable	28.7% Imazapyr	3-6 pts
Barrier 50W	Sprayable	50%Dichlobenil	20-24 lbs
Hyvar XL	Sprayable	21.9% Bromacil	2.5-12 gls
Krovar I DF	Sprayable	40% Bromacil 40% Diuron	7-18 lbs
Landmark XP	Sprayable	50% Sulfometron 25% Chlorsulf.	4.5 oz/acre
Oust XP	Sprayable	75%Sulfometron	3-8 oz
Plateau	Sprayable	23.6% Imazapic	12 oz/acre
Sahara DG	Sprayable	7.78% Imazapyr 62.2% Diuron	10-19 lbs
Spike 80DF	Sprayable	80%Tebuthiuron	5 lbs

Weed Control is a Science and an Art -Herbicide Versatility-

• Selective Weed Control.

• Non-Selective Weed Control.

• Plant Growth Regulators/Chemical Mowing.

Economics of Mowing











Chemical Mowing/PGR

Arsenal @ 2oz + Roundup @10 oz

Oust @ ¼ oz + Vanquish @ 8 oz



TDOT – Dyersberg TN Plateau @ 8oz / acre Applied 6/4/06 Bermudagrass – Seedhead Suppression / Plant Growth Regulation

07/11/2006



Chemical Mowing Cost On 36 Miles Of I-25 Between Fort Collins and North Denver

Arsenal/Oust Combinations

- \$ 878.04
- •Plateau/Milestone Combinations
 - \$ 5,112.72
- •Embark/Stronghold Combinations
 - -\$ 12,998.88

Chemical Mowing Cost Comparisons

PRODUCT	RATE/ACRE	COST/ACRE	* <u>COST/MILE</u>
Arsenal	2 ounces @ .90/oz	\$ 3.20	\$ 19 .20
Glyshosate	10 ounces @ .14/oz		
Oust	¼ ounce @ \$ 5.00/oz	\$ 4.93	\$ 29.58
Vanquish	8 ounces @ .46/oz		
Plateau	4 ounces @ \$ 1.20/oz	\$ 23.67	\$ 142.02
Opensight	3.3 ounces @ \$ 5.72.oz		
Embark 2S IVM	28 ounces @ \$ 2.04/oz	\$ 62.24	\$ 313.44
Hi-Dep	32 ounces @ .16/oz		
Stronghold PGR	32 ounces @ \$ 2.25/oz	\$ 72.00	\$ 432,00
Proxy (Ethephon 2 SL)	1.7 gallons @ \$ 33.12/gl.	\$ 56.30	\$ 337.80

*Mile equals 5280 feet x 50 feet = 264,00 square feet, or 6 acres.

Moisture/Water/Rainfall

- Needed for vegetation growth.
- Used as a carrier for herbicides during application.
- Can wash herbicide off foliage RUNOFF
- Drought Stress Reduces transpiration, closes stomata
- Humidity Hydrates cuticle, increases penetration.
- Dew Solubilizes and carries residual herbicides into the soil to plant roots.

Good quality water taken from cement irrigation ditch 100 gallons of water and spray mix used per load and applied at 15 GPA Cibola National Wildlife Refuge – Western AZ

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IS RAINFALL YOUR FRIEND ? HERBICIDES HAVE NO CONSCIENCE

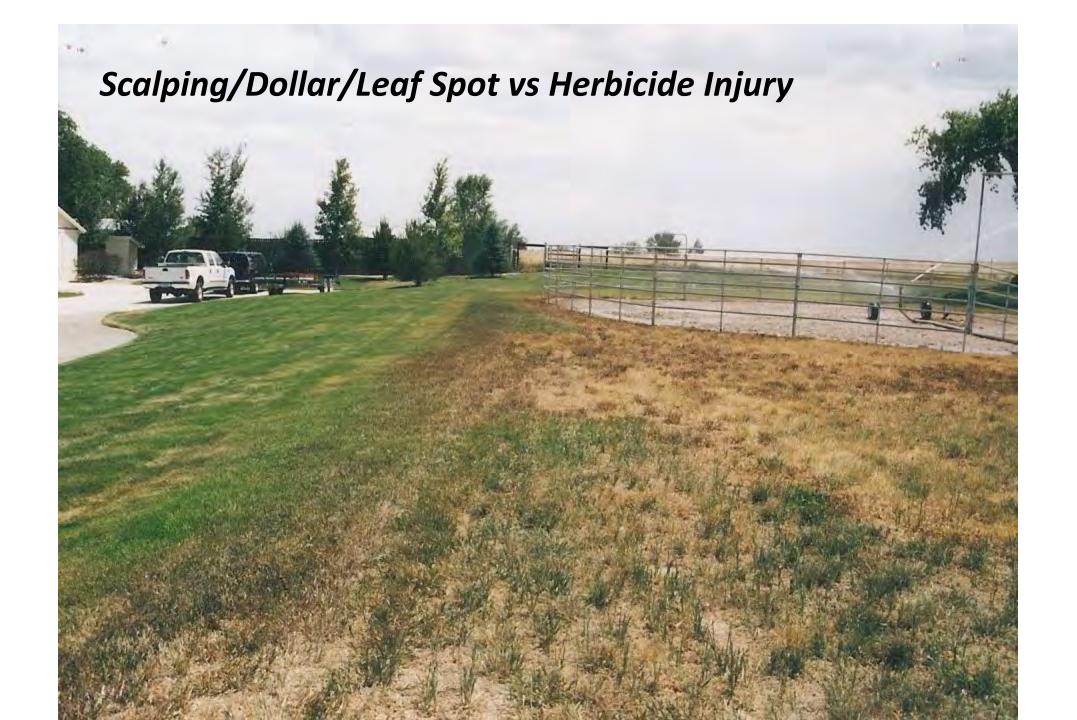
- The first rain after the application:
- ½ inch gentle rain is ideal
 - 1" of rain falling on 1 acre of ground is equal to 27,154 gallons of water
 - ½ " of rain falling on 1 acre of ground is equal to 13,577 gallons of water
 - ¼" of rain falling on 1 acre of ground is equal to 6,788 gallons of water
- 2 inch down pour can cause off target movement.





Herbicide Damage (Volatization or Leaf/Dollar Spot ?

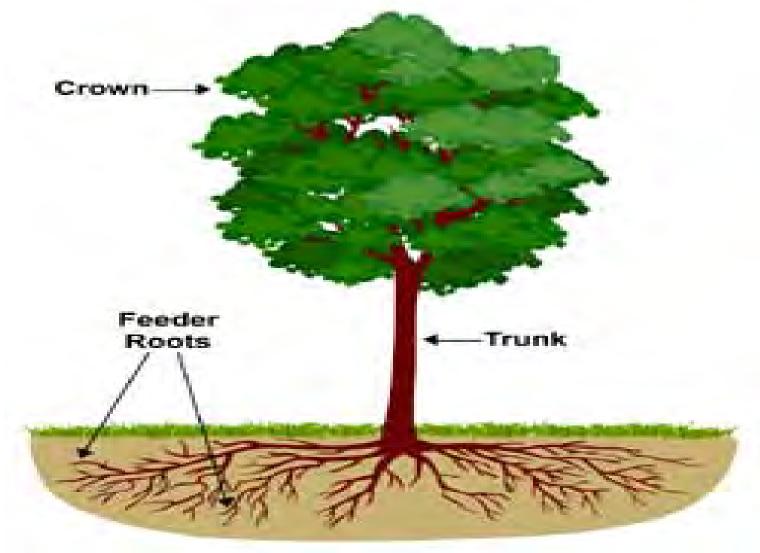




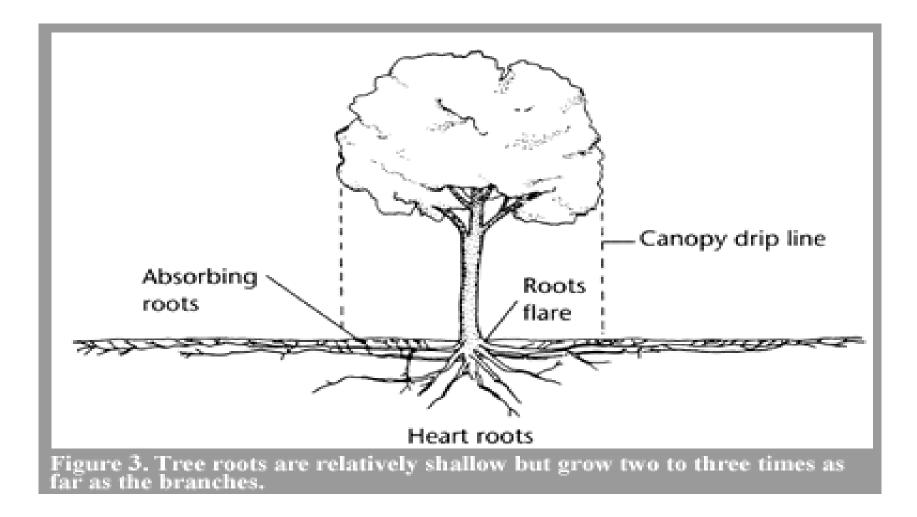




Tree Anatomy



Tree Roots



















Factors Affecting Performance

- Herbicide mode of action
- Type of plant (annual or perennial)
- Soil (PH)
- Water (PH)
- The Application
- Temperature
- Surfactants
- Sunlight



What Happened Here?

- Poor Application?
- Bad Timing?
- Wrong Herbicide?



What Happened Here?

- Spot Treatment?
- Lazy Applicator?
- Pre-Emergent Failure?



2,4-D/Dicamba Resistent Kochia

Treated March 5, 2014

Perspective @ 11 ounces/acre + Arsenal @ 32 ounces/acre

Rescue Treatment July , 2014

Weedmaster @ 64 ounces/acre

PICTURE TAKEN SEPTEMBER 9, 2014



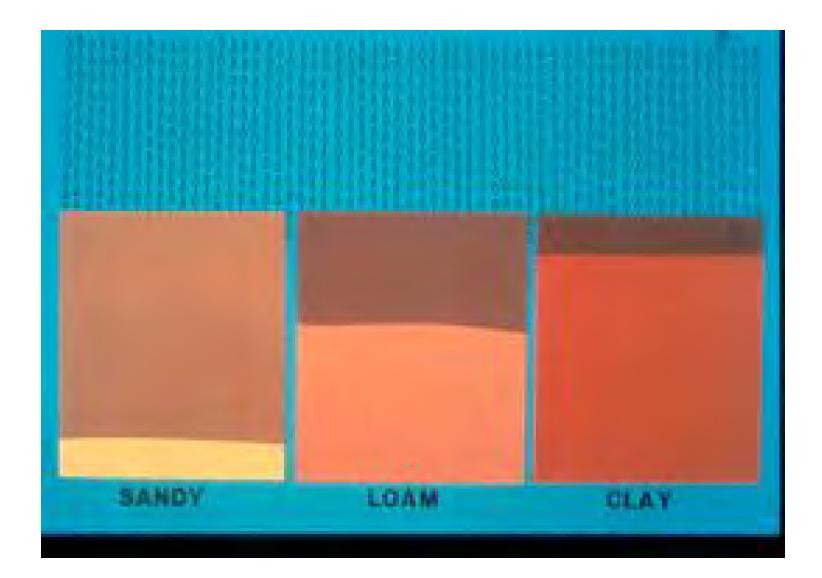
Herbicide Movement in Soil - Key Factors-

Soil structure: sand, clay, loam, particle size

- Rainfall/irrigation
- Herbicide water solubility
- KOC Value
 - Measures the affinity to bind to organic matter
- Soil ½ life







How Late Can You Apply Herbicides

(As Long As The Soil Is Not Frozen Or Covered In Snow)

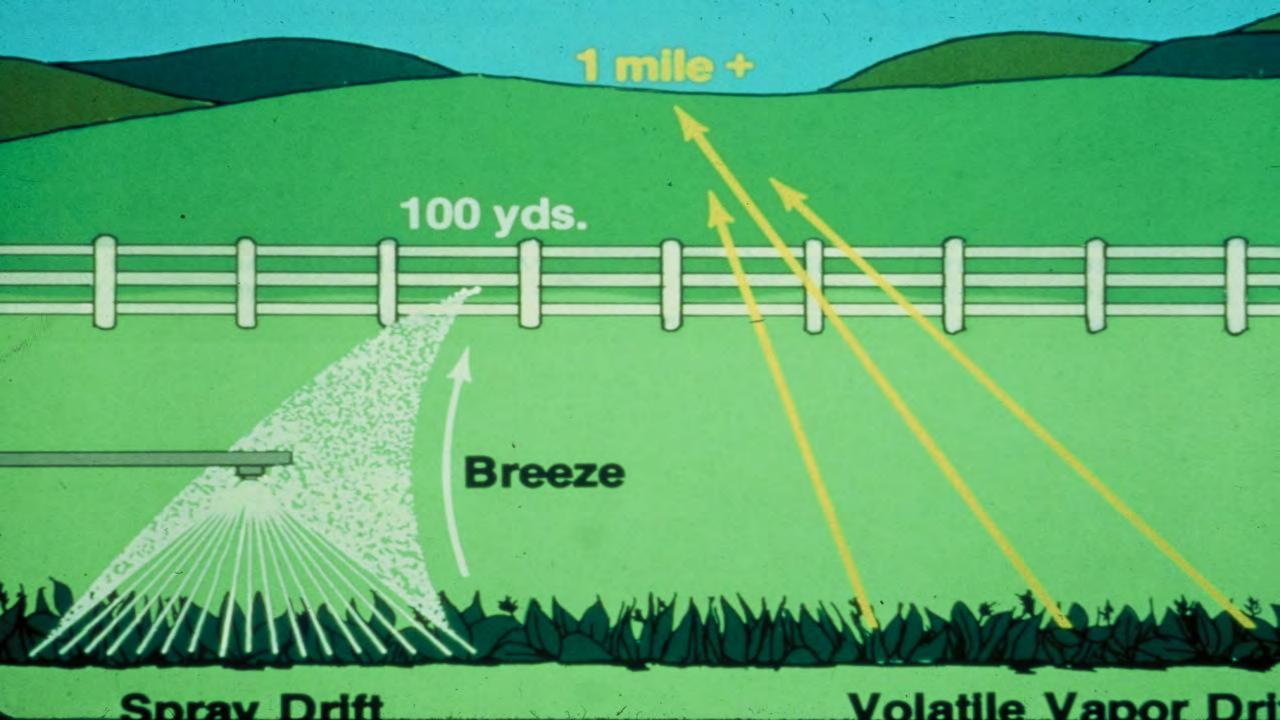
- Milestone herbicide was applied <u>12/1/2010</u> at a rate of 7 fluid ounces/acre to control Russian knapweed.
- 4 seed varieties (Galleta, Slender Wheatgrass, Sand Dropseed, Alkali Sacaton)
- Seeding was completed on <u>3/3/2011.</u>
- In May, 2011 plots were over sprayed with Vista @ 1 pint + 4 # 2, 4-D @ 1 pint for Russian thistle control.
- Additional Milestone treatments were applied at bolting stage.





WIND

- ERRATIC PRE-EMERGENT CONTROL
 - UNEVEN BARRIER
- INCONSISTENT POST-EMERGENT CONTROL
- INJURY TO SENSITIVE NON-TARGET PLANTS





CSU Bare Ground Field Trials

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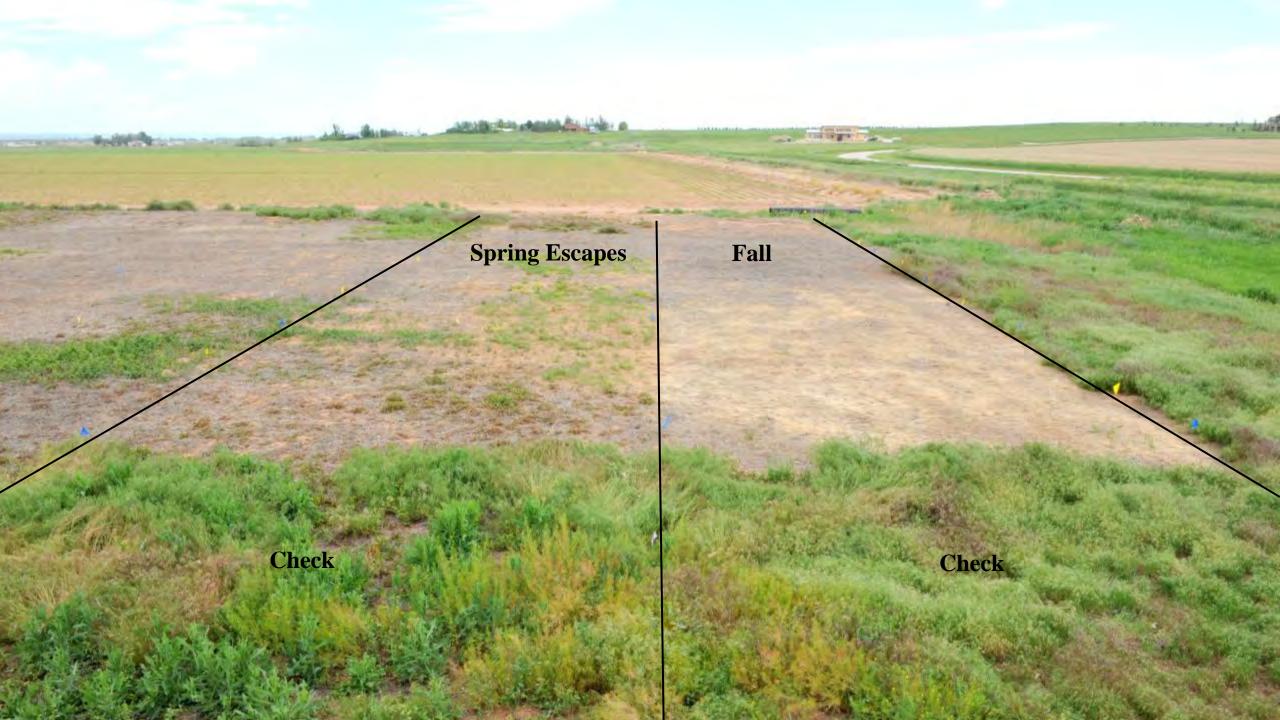




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Spring Escapes

Fall

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Time Dependent Binding

The longer the soil and herbicide have time to interact, the stronger the binding, less leaching and lateral movement.



Water Solubility

- Water solubility is a measurement of how much of a chemical will dissolve in water, and is typically expressed in parts per million.
- The greater the solubility, the more the chemical dissolves into water.

Herbicide Behavior or Fate Affected By

Soil Sorption

"Ability of herbicide to bind to or into soil particles"

Commonly expressed partition coefficient (Koc) which measures tendency to leach.

- Values <100 ml/g is low indicating more likely to leach in low organic matter containing soil.
- Values >500 ml/g are unlikely to leach unless their half life is > 100 days.

Solubility Rankings Based on Water Solubilities of a Compound

"How Easily A Herbicide Dissolves In Water"

Relative Solubility

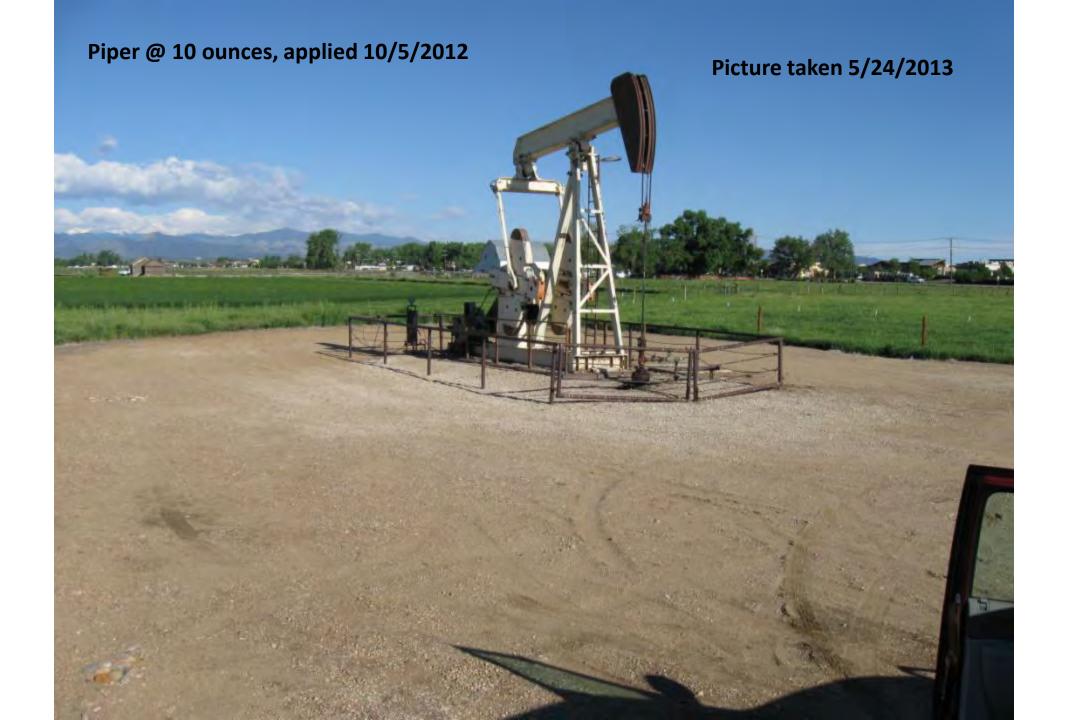
- Very Soluble
- Moderately Soluble
- Low Solubility
- Very Low Solubility
- Extremely Low Solubility

Water Solubility (ppm)

- 1,000 to 10,000
- 100 to 1,000
- 10 to 100
- 1 to 10
- 0.1 to 1

Herbicide/Water Solubility

PRODUCT	ACTIVE	PARTS PER MILLION (PPM)
Proclipse/Endurance	prodiamine	- 0.013
Pendulum	pendimethalin	- 0.200
Piper/Esplanade	flumioxazin/indaziflam	- 2
Portfolio/Echelon	sulfentrazone	- 300
Oust	sulfometuron	- 300
Imprelis/Perspective	aminocyclopyrachlor	- 408
Tordon 22K	picloram	- 430
Karmex	diuron	- 480
Telar	chlorsulfuron	- 587
Hyvar	bromacil	- 815
4# Amine	2, 4-D	- 900
Milestone	aminopyralid	- 2,480
Banvel	dicamba	- 4,500
Arsenal	imazapyr	- 11,272
Roundup Pro	glyphosate	- 11,600
Frequency	topramezone	- 15,000
Gramaxone	paraquat	- 620,000

















General Broadleaf Control

<u>PRODUCT</u> •Tordon 22K	<u>RATE/ACRE</u> 1 quart	<u>COST/ACRE</u> \$ 15.00
•Opensight/Chaparral	3.3 ounces	\$ 16.09
•Milestone	7 ounces	\$ 16.39
•E-2	1 quart	\$ 13.08
•Escort XP	1 ounce	\$ 10.35
•Veteran 720/Range Star	2 quarts	\$ 13.55
•Perspective	5 ounces	\$ 23.00

Brush and Woody Species

PRODUCT	RATE/ACRE	COST/ACRE
• Escort + 4# Amine	2 oz + 2 qts	\$ 26.72
• Sendero	1.75 pts	\$ 23.62
• Crossbow	1 gallon	\$ 40.00
• Garlon 3A + Escort	2 qts + 2 oz	\$ 56.50
• Remedy Ultra	1 quart	\$ 17.00
•Streamline	10 oz	\$ 51.50
•Viewpoint	13 oz	\$ 47.70

Aquatics – Wetlands & Drainage Areas

PRODUCTS	RATE/ACRE	COST/ACRE
• Rodeo	3 quarts	\$ 14.61
• Clearcast	2 quarts	\$ 117.30
• Habitat	2 quarts	\$ 52.80
• Garlon 3A	1.5 gallons	\$ 107.40
• 2, 4-D 4# Amine	3 quarts	\$ 10.35

Questions, Suggestions, Comments?

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