



Salt Cedar (aka Tamarisk)
Tamarix chinensis and *T. ramosissima*



Salt cedar	
General	Family: Tamaricaceae Introduced from Asia List B - Eradication Required in Jefferson County Has been sold as an ornamental but is no longer available in Colorado
Common names	Tamarisk
Habitat	Deciduous shrub/small tree High drought and seasonal flood tolerance Riparian areas, wetlands, river banks, along lakes, ornamental plantings
PLANT	
Vegetation	Small tree or shrub up to 20 feet tall Feathery gray-green leaves Accumulate salts in foliage
Roots	Deep tap roots
Flower	June to September Small pink to white flowers on racemes (long narrow clusters)
Seed	Small wind-borne seeds carried by water Can germinate within 24 hours of dispersal
Seedling	Bark on saplings and stems reddish-brown
Reproduction	Seed Cut stems Root fragments

CONTROL -- CHEMICAL		
<i>Timing</i>	<i>Herbicide</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Anytime Cut stump, basal bark Spring to Fall Foliar	Glyphosate (various) Imazapyr (Habitat, Arsenal) Triclopyr (Garlon 3A, Garlon 4)	Use of a surfactant is recommended. Refer to the specific label for the appropriate type of surfactant. Treating at younger stages stops weeds from using resources that desirable plants need to prosper. Refer to the individual label for allowed sites, specific timing, and restrictions about grazing and haying. Formulations with more than one active ingredient may be available. Plants may resprout so treatment may need to be repeated.
CONTROL -- NON-CHEMICAL		
<i>Technique</i>	<i>Timing</i>	<i>Method</i>
Biological	N/A	
Burning	N/A	
Cultivation	N/A	
Grazing	N/A	
Mowing	Spring to Early Fall	Saplings less than 1 inch diameter. Repeat as needed.
Prevention	Anytime	Maintain the health of the site by encouraging healthy stands of desirable vegetation.
Removal	Anytime	Chip removed materials. Treat cut surface with appropriate herbicide.

Use all chemicals according to the manufacturer's label. The label will provide specific instructions including allowed sites, application methods, rates, storage, re-entry requirements and personal protective equipment. No specific recommendation or endorsement is made or implied by listing the above methods or products. 9/2021