

Why it's harmful

- › Displaces quality forage plants reducing the productivity of grazing areas for livestock.
- › Acts as a host for the yellow fleck virus that affects carrots, parsnips and celery.
- › Shades out native plants and threatens biodiversity.
- › Causes mold to grow in silage as it contains more moisture than grasses.

How to control it

Wild Chervil spreads aggressively, primarily by seed. A single plant can produce up to 10,000 seeds. It can also spread from its taproot, which can extend two metres into the ground.

Manual Control

- › Repeated mowing before the plant produces seeds can be effective.
- › Put all parts of the plant in your green bin for curbside collection. If you don't have a green bin, call Morrow Bioscience at 1-888-733-2333 or email weeds@morrowbioscience.com to arrange pick up.

Herbicide Control

- › Is not usually effective because Wild Chervil is resistant to many herbicides.
- › If herbicides are used, repeated applications may be required.
- › Best done by a qualified professional.

Who's responsible

The Province of BC's Weed Control Act designates Wild Chervil as a "noxious" weed. This means it is non-native, and can cause significant economic and environmental loss. It also means that all property owners are legally obligated to control it when it is on their land.

FVRD Invasive Weed Control Program

- › The FVRD Weed Control Program targets Knotweeds, Giant Hogweed, Tansy Ragwort and Wild Chervil on public roadsides in Abbotsford, Chilliwack and Electoral Areas C, D, E, G and H.
- › For more information on invasive weeds found in the region, email the Fraser Valley Invasive Species Society at info@fviss.ca or call 778-548-3847.



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Wild Chervil



What it looks like

Stems

- ✿ Sometimes purple at the base, but mostly green
- ✿ Hollow, ribbed and covered in hair at the bottom
- ✿ Up to 1 m tall



Flowers

- ✿ Tiny white flowers that grow in umbrella-like clusters
- ✿ 5 petals per flower



Leaf

- ✿ Small rosette in the first year
- ✿ Green and fern-like
- ✿ Triangular shape divided into smaller leaflets

