

# **2015 Freshwater Emergent Weed Monitoring Report**

For

Herbicide Applications to Freshwater Emergent Noxious and Quarantine Weeds  
performed under the Noxious Weed National Pollutant Discharge Elimination  
System (NPDES) Permit WAG9993000

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NPDES WAG993000 requires that the Washington State Department of Agriculture (WSDA) submit an annual freshwater emergent weed monitoring plan to the Washington State Department of Ecology (WSDOE) and conduct monitoring as necessary.

WSDA proposed to monitor a subset of imazamox, bispyribacsodium, penoxsulam, flumioxazin, or carfentrazone-ethyl treatments if these active ingredients were used under the permit in 2015. Two applications of imazamox were conducted at two separate sites in 2015 and water monitoring samples were collected. No applications of any of the other active ingredients in question occurred. WSDA staff collected the monitoring samples using established protocols. All water samples were analyzed by Pacific Agricultural Laboratory in Portland Oregon. This laboratory was selected with the approval of WSDOE.

Site #1

On July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015, purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*) and garden loosestrife (*Lysimachia vulgaris*) plants growing along the shoreline of the Sammamish River near Luke McRedmond Landing in Redmond, WA, were treated with a solution of one percent imazamox (Clearcast®) herbicide, one percent triclopyr (Renovate 3®) herbicide and one percent Competitor® surfactant using backpack sprayers. The treatments were conducted by staff from the King County Noxious Weed Control Board. There was no precipitation during the application.

The samples were kept refrigerated and hand delivered to Pacific Agricultural Laboratory on July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The sampling information and resultant laboratory results are reported below. Imazamox was not detected in any of the samples.

<b>Sample Timing</b>	<b>Results</b>
1 hour before treatment	Not Detected
1 hour after treatment	Not Detected
24 hours after treatment	Not Detected

Site #2

On August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015, purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*) and garden loosestrife (*Lysimachia vulgaris*) plants growing along the shoreline of the Snoqualmie River near Duvall, WA, were treated with a solution of two percent imazamox (Clearcast®) herbicide and one percent Competitor® surfactant using backpack sprayers. The treatments were conducted by a private applicator under the supervision of staff from the King County Noxious Weed Control Board. There was no precipitation during the application.

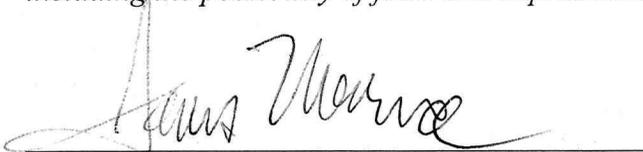
The samples were kept refrigerated and hand delivered to Pacific Agricultural Laboratory on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Imazamox was not detected in any of the samples.

<b>Sample Timing</b>	<b>Results</b>
1 hour before treatment	Not Detected
1 hour after treatment	Not Detected
24 hours after treatment	Not Detected

For more information on sampling procedures and protocols contact WSDA.

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