

IMCWMA Invasive Weed Roadside Survey Form

General Instructions:

1. For safety, please work with a partner when conducting this survey by car- one person as driver who keeps their eyes on the road, the other as observer with their eyes on the weeds.
2. Before you go out to survey, please look at our website: imcwma.org, then click on Get Involved and Survey Roadside Weeds for additional information.

Form Instructions:

1. Enter the road name (Example: Orr Springs Road) and route number if available (Example: MEN223)
2. Enter the date of the observations. Start a new sheet if the same road is observed on another day.
3. Enter the starting location including intersection, landmark and mile marker.
4. Enter the name(s) of observer(s), and contact information in case there are question about the data.
5. When recording weed observations, if road mile markers are available, use them to determine the location. Otherwise, an odometer, pedometer, GPS or paper map may be used to estimate distances.
6. Enter the starting mile marker in the left-most empty column of the first row of the table. (If mile-markers are not available, enter 0.)
7. Except for the starting and ending points on each page, the mile-markers (or odometer readings) used should be whole numbers (3 or 77) rather than decimals (35.7) Enter the next whole number mile-marker in the left-most column of the second row of the table. Continue recording the whole number mile-markers of the surveyed road in the first and second rows.
8. On each one mile segment of road, mark a check if the species is positively identified. Blank rows are available for additional species not listed on the form. Columns are provided for up to 20 miles. If more than 20 miles of a road are surveyed, please start a new page, and describe the new starting point. Also, please start a new page when you turn onto a road with a different name, even if there is room on the form.
9. When the observation is complete, describe the ending point (Examples: mile marker 18.7 OR Hopland, intersection with Hwy 101).
10. Do not mark the shaded block in the upper right corner. This will be used by the data entry staff when the data is entered into the weed distribution database.

For questions concerning this form, weed management or our organization, please call 707-485-1198 or e-mail coord@imcwma.org

Please send the completed form to:
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Scanned or electronically-filled forms may be e-mailed to coord@imcwma.org

You may wish to keep a copy for your own records.