Non-Native Invasive Plant Information

Japanese Knotweed (Fallopia japonica)

This infestation was first documented in 2011 by the Coastal Conservancy. It is currently observed in the San Geronimo Creek Watershed at Two-Bird Café, extending downstream to the bridge where Meadow Lane crosses the creek.

Why Is It So Bad?

- It clogs waterways & reduces the quality of habitat for wildlife & fish.
- Reduces the food supply for juvenile salmon in the spring
- Dead stems & leaf litter break down very slowly & form thick organic layers that prevent native seeds from germinating

For more information, visit <u>http://nyis.info/index.php?</u> action=invasive_detail&id =43



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Identification: Typically found in wetter areas; floodplains, riparian corridors, seeping springs and septic leech areas. The leaves are triangular-shaped with an elongated tip and its stalks appear as canes similar to bamboo which spreads mainly by broken root segments or by broken stalk segments.

Critical to Know: If you identify this plant on your property, PLEASE contact Sarah Phillips with the Marin Resource Conservation District at <u>Sarah@Marinrcd.org</u> to coordinate a demonstration on how to properly remove the vegetation. It's important to remove it appropriately as to not encourage further spread.

PLEASE DO NOT SPRAY WITH HERBICIDE.



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