

## Saltcedar

*Tamarix ramosissima*

Tamaricaceae (Tamarisk Family)

Category:

Prohibited Noxious



- **Information:** Introduced as an ornamental.
  - **Life cycle:** Perennial deciduous or ever-green shrub or small tree, weed of waterways.
  - **Root:** Deep taproot and adventitious roots of stems and branches.
  - **Leaves:** Small leaves on green stems are alternate, overlapping, and appear scale-like. Foliage salty to taste.
  - **Stems:** 1.5-6m tall, highly branched, smooth, dark brown to reddish brown bark.
  - **Flower:** Small pink to white with five petaled flowers borne in finger like clusters on terminal and lateral branches.
  - **Seed Fruit:** Extremely small seeds with a tuft of hairs on tip are contained in capsules.
- Control:** Do not plant.

### Similar Species:

Tamarisk, Chinese - *Tamarix chinensis*

Tamarisk, Smallflower - *Tamarix parviflora*