Australia/New Zealand Weed Risk Assessment adapted for Florida

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Arundo donax Florida test			
	Question	Answer	Score
1.01	Is the species highly domesticated?	n	0
1.02	Has the species become naturalised where grown?		
1.03	Does the species have weedy races?		
2.01	Species suited to Florida's USDA climate zones (0-low; 1-intermediate; 2-high)	2	
2.02	Quality of climate match data (0-low; 1-intermediate; 2-high)	2	
2.03	Broad climate suitability (environmental versatility)	У	1
2.04	Native or naturalized in habitats with mean annual precipitation 40-70 inches.	У	1
2.05	Does the species have a history of repeated introductions outside its natural range?	У	
3.01	Naturalized beyond native range	У	2
3.02	Garden/amenity/disturbance weed	У	2
3.03	Weed of agriculture	n	0
3.04	Environmental weed	У	4
3.05	Congeneric weed	n	0
4.01	Produces spines, thorns or burrs	n	0
4.02	Allelopathic		
4.03	Parasitic	n	0
4.04	Unpalatable to grazing animals	?	
4.05	Toxic to animals	n	0
4.06	Host for recognised pests and pathogens	n	0
4.07	Causes allergies or is otherwise toxic to humans	n	0
4.08	Creates a fire hazard in natural ecosystems	У	1
4.09	Is a shade tolerant plant at some stage of its life cycle	n	0
4.10	Grows on infertile soils (oligotrophic, limerock, or excessively draining soils).	У	1
4.11	Climbing or smothering growth habit	n	0

Total Score			11
8.05	Effective natural enemies present in Florida, or east of the continental divide		
8.04	Tolerates, or benefits from, mutilation or cultivation	У	1
8.03	Well controlled by herbicides	n	1
8.02	Evidence that a persistent propagule bank is formed (>1 yr)	n	-1
8.01	Prolific seed production	n	-1
7.08	Propagules dispersed by other animals (internally)	n	-1
7.07	Propagules dispersed by other animals (externally)	n	-1
7.06	Propagules bird dispersed	n	-1
7.05	Propagules water dispersed	У	1
7.04	Propagules adapted to wind dispersal	n	-1
7.03	Propagules likely to disperse as a produce contaminant	n	-1
7.02	areas) Propagules dispersed intentionally by people	У	1
7.01	Propagules likely to be dispersed unintentionally (plants growing in heavily trafficked	У	1
6.07	Minimum generative time (years)	1	1
6.06	Reproduction by vegetative propagation	У	1
6.05	Requires specialist pollinators	n	0
6.04	Self-compatible or apomictic	n	-1
6.03	Hybridizes naturally	n	-1
6.02	Produces viable seed	n	-1
6.01	Evidence of substantial reproductive failure in native habitat	n	0
5.04	Geophyte	n	0
5.03	Nitrogen fixing woody plant	n	0
5.02	Grass	У	1
5.01	Aquatic	n	0
4.12	Forms dense thickets	у	1

Outcome	Reject
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section	# questions answered	satisfy minimum?
Α	11	yes
В	10	yes
С	23	yes
total	44	yes

Data collected 2008

Question number	Reference	Source data
1.01	Neiel elice	Cultivated, but no evidence of selection
		for reduced weediness.
1.02		
1.03 2.01	PERAL NAPPFAST Global Plant Hardiness	1. Clobal plant hardings zanes 6.12 are
2.01		1. Global plant hardiness zones 6-12 are
	(http://www.nappfast.org/Plant_hardiness/NAPP	represented in the distribution range of
	FAST%20Global%20zones/10-	the species. 2. "Native: Africa: Northern
	year%20climate/PLANT_HARDINESS_10YR%	Africa: Algeria; Egypt; Libya; Tunisia;
	20lgnd.tif). 2. USDA, ARS, National Genetic	Asia-Temperate: Arabian Peninsula:
	Resources Program. Germplasm Resources	Saudi Arabia; Western Asia:
	Information Network - (GRIN) [Online	Afghanistan; Cyprus; Iran; Iraq; Israel;
	Database]. National Germplasm Resources	Jordan; Lebanon; Syria; Turkey;
	Laboratory, Beltsville, Maryland (http://www.ars-	Caucasus: Azerbaijan; Georgia; Middle
	grin.gov/cgi-bin/npgs/html/taxon.pl?4439). 3.	Asia: Turkmenistan; Uzbekistan; China;
	Bell, G.P. 1997. Ecology and Management of	Eastern Asia: Japan; Taiwan; Asia-
	Arundo donax, and approaches to riparian	Tropical: Indian Subcontinent: India;
	habitat restoration in southern California. In:	Nepal; Pakistan; Indo-China: Indochina;
	Brock, J.H., Wade, M., Pysek, P. and Green, D.	Myanmar; Europe: East Europe: Ukraine
	(Editors). Plant Invasions: studies from North	- Krym [s.]; Other: cultivated elsewhere,
	America and Europe. Backhuys Publishers,	naturalized in s. Europe, British Isles,
	Leiden, pp. 103-113. 4. Tsvelev, N.N. 1976.	Africa, Australia, New Zealand, w. United
	Grasses of the Soviet Union [Zlaki SSSR]. Part	States & Hawaii, Mexico, West Indies, s.
	II. Fedorov, A.A. (Editor-in-Chief). Translated from Russian. Published for the Smithsonian	South America, & Macaronesia". 3.
	Institution Libraries, and the National Science	"This species is believed to be native to freshwaters of eastern Asia (Polunin and
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	Foundation, Washington, D.C., by Amerind Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1983. 5.	Huxley 1987)". 4. "European part: Crimea (southern); Caucasus: western
	Weber, E. 2003. Invasive Plant Species of the	and eastern Transcaucasia, Talysh;
	World: A Reference Guide to Environmental	Central Asia: Aral-Caspian (southern),
	Weeds. CABI Publishing, U.K. 6. Dudley, T.,	Kyzylkum, Syr Darya, Amu Darya,
	Weeds. Cabi Fublishing, C.K. C. Dudley, T.,	Ryzyrkum, Syr Darya, Amu Darya,

Department of Integrative Biology, University of California, Berkeley, USA and IUCN/SSC Invasive Species Specialist Group (ISSG). 2006. *Arundo donax*. Available from: http://www.issg.org/database/species/ecology.a sp?si=112&fr=1&sts=sss&lang=EN [Accessed 1st July 2009].

Gissar-Darvaz, Turkmenia (mountains). Outside the USSR: Mediterranean, Asia Minor, Iran, Himalayas, Japan, China (southern part), South Asia, Africa (northern part), introduced or adventive in many other tropical and subtropical countries." 5. Listed as "Introduced, e.g. not native to the area, but not invasive in natural areas" in the British Isles, North Africa, Mexico, the Caribbean, Chile, Argentina, Cape Verde, the Canary and Madeira Islands, and Hawaii. Listed as "invasive in natural areas and not native to the area" in southern Europe, southern Africa, Australia, New Zealand, the western U.S., and the Azores. 6. "Native range: Considered native to the Indian sub-continent. Known introduced range: Arundo donax now occurs worldwide in tropical to warm-temperate regions, including tropical islands. It is present in the Federated States of Micronesia (Pohnpei), Guam (rare per Stone, 1970), Republic of Palau (Koror), Fiji, Hawaii, Nauru, New Caledonia, Norfolk Island and Samoa, as well as Christmas Island in the Indian Ocean."; "Alien Range: Australia; Bermuda; Cayman Islands; Cook Islands; Dominican Republic; Fiji; Gibraltar; Guam; Haiti; Kiribati; Mexico; Micronesia; Nauru; New Caledonia (Nouvelle Calédonie); New Zealand; Norfolk Island; Palau; Samoa; South Africa: Swaziland; Tonga; United States (USA); Venezuela; Native Range: India".

2.02

1. Köppen-Geiger climate map (http://www.hydrol-earth-syst-sci.net/11/1633/2007/hess-11-1633-2007.pdf).
2. USDA, ARS, National Genetic Resources Program. Germplasm Resources Information Network - (GRIN) [Online Database]. National Germplasm Resources Laboratory, Beltsville, Maryland (http://www.ars-grin.gov/cgi-bin/npgs/html/taxon.pl?4439). 3. Bell, G.P. 1997. Ecology and Management of Arundo donax, and approaches to riparian habitat

1. At least 3 climate groups (B-D) are represented in the distribution range of the species. 2. "Native: Africa: Northern Africa: Algeria; Egypt; Libya; Tunisia; Asia-Temperate: Arabian Peninsula: Saudi Arabia; Western Asia: Afghanistan; Cyprus; Iran; Iraq; Israel; Jordan; Lebanon; Syria; Turkey; Caucasus: Azerbaijan; Georgia; Middle Asia: Turkmenistan; Uzbekistan; China; Eastern Asia: Japan; Taiwan; Asia-

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Tropical: Indian Subcontinent: India; Nepal; Pakistan; Indo-China: Indochina; Myanmar; Europe: East Europe: Ukraine - Krym [s.]; Other: cultivated elsewhere, naturalized in s. Europe, British Isles, Africa, Australia, New Zealand, w. United States & Hawaii, Mexico, West Indies, s. South America, & Macaronesia". 3. "This species is believed to be native to freshwaters of eastern Asia (Polunin and Huxley 1987)...". 4. "European part: Crimea (southern); Caucasus: western and eastern Transcaucasia, Talysh; Central Asia: Aral-Caspian (southern), Kyzylkum, Syr Darya, Amu Darya, Gissar-Darvaz, Turkmenia (mountains). Outside the USSR: Mediterranean, Asia Minor, Iran, Himalayas, Japan, China (southern part), South Asia, Africa (northern part), introduced or adventive in many other tropical and subtropical countries." 5. Listed as "Introduced, e.g. not native to the area, but not invasive in natural areas" in the British Isles, North Africa, Mexico, the Caribbean, Chile, Argentina, Cape Verde, the Canary and Madeira Islands, and Hawaii. Listed as "invasive in natural areas and not native to the area" in southern Europe, southern Africa, Australia, New Zealand, the western U.S., and the Azores. 6. "Native range: Considered native to the Indian sub-continent. Known introduced range: Arundo donax now occurs worldwide in tropical to warm-temperate regions, including tropical islands. It is present in the Federated States of Micronesia (Pohnpei), Guam (rare per Stone, 1970), Republic of Palau (Koror), Fiji, Hawaii, Nauru, New Caledonia, Norfolk Island and Samoa, as well as Christmas Island in the Indian Ocean."; "Alien Range: Australia; Bermuda; Cayman Islands; Cook Islands; Dominican Republic; Fiji; Gibraltar; Guam; Haiti; Kiribati; Mexico; Micronesia; Nauru; New Caledonia (Nouvelle Calédonie); New Zealand;

		Norfolk Island; Palau; Samoa; South Africa: Swaziland; Tonga; United States (USA); Venezuela; Native Range: India".
2.04	DiTomaso, Joseph M. 1998. Biology and ecology of giant reed. In: Bell, Carl E., ed. In: Arundo and saltcedar: the deadly duo: Proceedings of a workshop on combating the threat from arundo and saltcedar; 1998 June 17; Ontario, CA. Holtville, CA: University of California, Cooperative Extension: 1-5.	"Arundo survives in areas with average annual precipitation of 3 to 40 dm". [~11.8 - 157.5 inches]
2.05	1. Bell, G.P. 1997. Ecology and Management of Arundo donax, and approaches to riparian habitat restoration in southern California. In: Brock, J.H., Wade, M., Pysek, P. and Green, D. (Editors). Plant Invasions: studies from North America and Europe. Backhuys Publishers, Leiden, pp. 103-113. 2. Tsvelev, N.N. 1976. Grasses of the Soviet Union [Zlaki SSSR]. Part II. Fedorov, A.A. (Editor-in-Chief). Translated from Russian. Published for the Smithsonian Institution Libraries, and the National Science Foundation, Washington, D.C., by Amerind Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1983. 3. Bor, N.L. 1960. The Grasses of Burma, Ceylon, India and Pakistan (Excluding Bambuseae). Pergamon Press, New York. 4. Weber, E. 2003. Invasive Plant Species of the World: A Reference Guide to Environmental Weeds. CABI Publishing, U.K. 5. Henderson, L. 1999. Alien Weeds and Invasive Plants. Agricultural Research Council, South Africa. 6. El Bassam, N. 1998. Energy Plant Species: Their Use and Impact on Environment and Development. James & James (Science Publishers) Ltd., London.	1. "This species is believed to be native to freshwaters of eastern Asia (Polunin and Huxley 1987), but has been cultivated throughout Asia, southern Europe, north Africa, and the Middle East for thousands of years and has been planted widely in North and South America and Australasia in the past century (Perdue 1958, Zohary 1962). It was intentionally introduced to California from the Mediterranean in the 1820's in the Los Angeles area as an erosion-control agent in drainage canals, and was also used as thatching for roofs of sheds, barns, and other buildings (Hoshovsky 1987)." 2. "Stems of <i>Arundo donax</i> are widely used not only as construction material for temporary structures, roofs and fences, but as raw materials for cellulose in the paper industry. In addition, this species is a good stabilizer for different kinds of embankments, dams and eroded sands (in shallow ground water conditions) and has significant ornamental value." 3. "This grass has been planted in Texas as a protection against wind erosion." 4. "CU [Commercial Use]: Ornamental, fibre". 5. "Cultivated for: Ornament, screening." 6. "being one of the most productive among the biomass crops currently cultivated in Europe".
3.01	Tsvelev, N.N. 1976. Grasses of the Soviet Union [Zlaki SSSR]. Part II. Fedorov, A.A. (Editor-in-Chief). Translated from Russian. Published for the Smithsonian Institution	"European part: Crimea (southern); Caucasus: western and eastern Transcaucasia, Talysh; Central Asia: Aral-Caspian (southern), Kyzylkum, Syr

Libraries, and the National Science Foundation, Washington, D.C., by Amerind Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1983. 2. USDA, ARS, National Genetic Resources Program. Germplasm Resources Information Network -(GRIN) [Online Database]. National Germplasm Resources Laboratory, Beltsville, Maryland (http://www.ars-grin.gov/cgibin/npgs/html/taxon.pl?4439). 3. Weber, E. 2003. Invasive Plant Species of the World: A Reference Guide to Environmental Weeds. CABI Publishing, U.K. 4. Dudley, T., Department of Integrative Biology, University of California, Berkeley, USA and IUCN/SSC Invasive Species Specialist Group (ISSG). 2006. Arundo donax. Available from: http://www.issg.org/database/species/ecology.a sp?si=112&fr=1&sts=sss&lang=EN [Accessed 1st July 2009].

Darya, Amu Darya, Gissar-Darvaz, Turkmenia (mountains). Outside the USSR: Mediterranean, Asia Minor, Iran, Himalayas, Japan, China (southern part), South Asia, Africa (northern part), introduced or adventive in many other tropical and subtropical countries." 2. "Native: Africa: Northern Africa: Algeria; Egypt; Libya; Tunisia; Asia-Temperate: Arabian Peninsula: Saudi Arabia; Western Asia: Afghanistan; Cyprus; Iran; Iraq; Israel; Jordan; Lebanon; Syria; Turkey; Caucasus: Azerbaijan; Georgia; Middle Asia: Turkmenistan; Uzbekistan; China; Eastern Asia: Japan; Taiwan; Asia-Tropical: Indian Subcontinent: India; Nepal; Pakistan; Indo-China: Indochina; Myanmar; Europe: East Europe: Ukraine - Krym [s.]; Other: cultivated elsewhere, naturalized in s. Europe, British Isles, Africa, Australia, New Zealand, w. United States & Hawaii, Mexico, West Indies, s. South America, & Macaronesia". 3. Listed as "Introduced, e.g. not native to the area, but not invasive in natural areas" in the British Isles, North Africa, Mexico, the Caribbean, Chile, Argentina, Cape Verde, the Canary and Madeira Islands, and Hawaii. Listed as "invasive in natural areas and not native to the area" in southern Europe, southern Africa, Australia, New Zealand, the western U.S., and the Azores. 4. "Native range: Considered native to the Indian sub-continent. Known introduced range: Arundo donax now occurs worldwide in tropical to warm-temperate regions, including tropical islands. It is present in the Federated States of Micronesia (Pohnpei), Guam (rare per Stone, 1970), Republic of Palau (Koror), Fiji, Hawaii, Nauru, New Caledonia, Norfolk Island and Samoa, as well as Christmas Island in the Indian Ocean."; "Alien Range: Australia; Bermuda; Cayman Islands; Cook Islands: Dominican Republic: Fiii: Gibraltar; Guam; Haiti; Kiribati; Mexico; Micronesia; Nauru; New Caledonia

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3.02	1. Bell, G.P. 1997. Ecology and Management of Arundo donax, and approaches to riparian habitat restoration in southern California. In: Brock, J.H., Wade, M., Pysek, P. and Green, D. (Editors). Plant Invasions: studies from North America and Europe. Backhuys Publishers, Leiden, pp. 103-113. 2. Henderson, L. 1999. Alien Weeds and Invasive Plants. Agricultural Research Council, South Africa. 3. El Bassam, N. 1998. Energy Plant Species: Their Use and Impact on Environment and Development. James & James (Science Publishers) Ltd., London. 4. Dudley, T., Department of Integrative Biology, University of California, Berkeley, USA and IUCN/SSC Invasive Species Specialist Group (ISSG). 2006. Arundo donax. Available from: http://www.issg.org/database/species/ecology.a sp?si=112&fr=1&sts=sss⟨=EN [Accessed 1st July 2009].	1. "This alien grass readily invades riparian channels, especially in disturbed areas, is very competitive, difficult to control, and to the best of our knowledge does not provide either food or nesting habitat for native animals." [Refers to populations in California.] 2. "Invades: Watercourses; unlike indigenous reeds often occurs on roadsides and other sites away from water." 3. "However, it is also found in relatively dry and infertile soils, at field borders, on field ridges or on roadsides, where it grows successfully." 4. "Occurs in: agricultural areas, coastland, desert, natural forests, planted forests, range/grasslands, riparian zones, ruderal/disturbed, scrub/shrublands, urban areas".
3.03	Holm, L. et al. 1979. A Geographical Atlas of World Weeds. John Wiley & Sons, New York.	Listed as a common weed in Iran and Spain (not enough evidence to be considered a weed).
3.04	1. Milton, S.J. 2004. Grasses as invasive alien plants in South Africa. South African Journal of Science 100: 69-75. 2. Bell, G.P. 1997. Ecology and Management of Arundo donax, and approaches to riparian habitat restoration in southern California. In: Brock, J.H., Wade, M., Pysek, P. and Green, D. (Editors). Plant Invasions: studies from North America and Europe. Backhuys Publishers, Leiden, pp. 103-113. 3. Biosecurity New Zealand. 2009. Giant Reed. Arundo donax. Available online at http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/pests/giant-reed. 4. Weber, E. 2003. Invasive Plant Species of the World: A Reference Guide to Environmental Weeds. CABI Publishing, U.K. 5. Henderson, L. 1999. Alien Weeds and Invasive Plants. Agricultural Research Council, South Africa.	1. "Fig. 1. [Photo]. A dense stand of Spanish reed (<i>Arundo donax</i>) in the Huis River, between Oudtshoorn and Calizdorp in the Little Karoo. Such stands can change hydrological processes and may increase transpiration." 2. "Once established <i>A. donax</i> tends to form large, continuous, clonal root masses, sometimes covering several acres, usually at the expense of native riparian vegetation which cannot compete. Root masses, which can become more than a meter thick, stabilize stream banks and terraces (Zohary and Willis 1992), altering flow regimes." 3. "This grass forms tall dense clumps, usually on wasteland, but is a potential weed of river and stream margins that can block waterways,

		promoting flooding. It provides a habitat for rats and possums, and poses a fire risk." 4. "Invaded Habitats: Floodplains, riparian habitats, damp places."; Listed as being invasive in natural areas in Southern Europe, Southern Africa, Australia, New Zealand, the Azores and the Western U.S. 5. "Invades: Watercourses; unlike indigenous reeds often occurs on roadsides and other sites away from water."; "Invasive status: Transformer. Declared weed."
3.05		no evidence
4.01	Tsvelev, N.N. 1976. Grasses of the Soviet Union [Zlaki SSSR]. Part II. Fedorov, A.A. (Editor-in-Chief). Translated from Russian. Published for the Smithsonian Institution Libraries, and the National Science Foundation, Washington, D.C., by Amerind Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1983.	no description of these traits
4.02		
4.03	Tsvelev, N.N. 1976. Grasses of the Soviet Union [Zlaki SSSR]. Part II. Fedorov, A.A. (Editor-in-Chief). Translated from Russian. Published for the Smithsonian Institution Libraries, and the National Science Foundation, Washington, D.C., by Amerind Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1983.	no description of parasitism
4.04	Bor, N.L. 1960. The Grasses of Burma, Ceylon, India and Pakistan (Excluding Bambuseae). Pergamon Press, New York.	"As a fodder grass it is not of much account, but cattle will browse upon the young leaves."
4.05	Bor, N.L. 1960. The Grasses of Burma, Ceylon, India and Pakistan (Excluding Bambuseae). Pergamon Press, New York.	"As a fodder grass it is not of much account, but cattle will browse upon the young leaves." [and no other evidence of toxicity]
4.06	El Bassam, N. 1998. Energy Plant Species: Their Use and Impact on Environment and Development. James & James (Science Publishers) Ltd., London.	"Giant reed is one of the most pest resistant plants. So far, no diseases have been reported or observed. Occasionally during the early growth stages of the new sprouts, while they are still in a succulent condition, they may be attacked by Sesamia spp. and die. However, very soon new sprouts appear from the rhizome buds and replace the

		damaged ones."
4.07	Perdue, R.E. 1958. <i>Arundo donax</i> - Source of Musical Reeds and Industrial Cellulose. Economic Botany 12: 368-404.	"Medicinally the rhizome has been used as a sudorific, a diuretic, and as an antilactant and in the treatment of dropsy". [and no other evidence of toxicity]
4.08	1. Bell, G.P. 1997. Ecology and Management of Arundo donax, and approaches to riparian habitat restoration in southern California. In: Brock, J.H., Wade, M., Pysek, P. and Green, D. (Editors). Plant Invasions: studies from North America and Europe. Backhuys Publishers, Leiden, pp. 103-113. 2. Biosecurity New Zealand. 2009. Giant Reed. Arundo donax. Available online at http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/pests/giant-reed. 3. Weber, E. 2003. Invasive Plant Species of the World: A Reference Guide to Environmental Weeds. CABI Publishing, U.K. 4. Dudley, T., Department of Integrative Biology, University of California, Berkeley, USA and IUCN/SSC Invasive Species Specialist Group (ISSG). 2006. Arundo donax. Available from: http://www.issg.org/database/species/ecology.a sp?si=112&fr=1&sts=sss⟨=EN [Accessed 1st July 2009].	1. "Arundo donax is also highly flammable throughout most of the year, and the plant appears highly adapted to extreme fire events (Scott 1994). While fire is a natural and beneficial process in many natural communities in southern California it is a largely un-natural and pervasive threat to riparian areas." 2. "This grass forms tall dense clumps, usually on wasteland, but is a potential weed of river and stream margins that can block waterways, promoting flooding. It provides a habitat for rats and possums, and poses a fire risk." 3. "Dead shoots are highly flammable and the grass resprouts quickly after burning." 4. "The giant reed also promotes wildfire"
4.09	Floridata (http://www.floridata.com/ref/A/arun_don.cfm).	"Light: Full sun."
4.10	1. Tsvelev, N.N. 1976. Grasses of the Soviet Union [Zlaki SSSR]. Part II. Fedorov, A.A. (Editor-in-Chief). Translated from Russian. Published for the Smithsonian Institution Libraries, and the National Science Foundation, Washington, D.C., by Amerind Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1983. 2. Perdue, R.E. 1958. Arundo donax - Source of Musical Reeds and Industrial Cellulose. Economic Botany 12: 368-404. 3. El Bassam, N. 1998. Energy Plant Species: Their Use and Impact on Environment and Development. James & James (Science Publishers) Ltd., London. 4. Dudley, T., Department of Integrative Biology, University of California, Berkeley, USA and IUCN/SSC Invasive Species Specialist Group (ISSG). 2006. Arundo donax. Available from:	1. "On reservoir banks, riverside and coastal sands". 2. "It is reported to flourish in all types of soils from heavy clays to loose sands and gravelly soils." 3. "However, it is also found in relatively dry and infertile soils, at field borders, on field ridges or on roadsides, where it grows successfully." 4. "Arundo donax tolerates a wide range of soil types, including infertile streambanks, but responds dramatically to nutrient enrichment."

	http://www.issg.org/database/species/ecology.a sp?si=112&fr=1&sts=sss⟨=EN [Accessed 1st July 2009].	
4.11	1. Migahid, A.M. 1988. Flora of Saudi Arabia. 3rd Edition. Volume III. Monocotyledons. Hydrocharitaceae to Orchidaceae. King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. 2. Feinbrun- Dothan, N. 1986. Flora Palaestina. Part 4, Text. Alismataceae to Orchidaceae. The Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities, Jerusalem. 3. Weber, E. 2003. Invasive Plant Species of the World: A Reference Guide to Environmental Weeds. CABI Publishing, U.K.	1. "A perennial grass with woody rhizomes swollen here and there and with very stout erect culms up to 4 m or more in height". 2. "Perennial, 3-6 m." 3. "A large grass ranging in height from 2-9 m and growing in many-stemmed tussocks." [no evidence of a climbing or smothering growth habit]
4.12	1. Biosecurity New Zealand. 2009. Giant Reed. Arundo donax. Available online at http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/pests/giant-reed. 2. Weber, E. 2003. Invasive Plant Species of the World: A Reference Guide to Environmental Weeds. CABI Publishing, U.K. 3. EI Bassam, N. 1998. Energy Plant Species: Their Use and Impact on Environment and Development. James & James (Science Publishers) Ltd., London. 4. Dudley, T., Department of Integrative Biology, University of California, Berkeley, USA and IUCN/SSC Invasive Species Specialist Group (ISSG). 2006. Arundo donax. Available from: http://www.issg.org/database/species/ecology.a sp?si=112&fr=1&sts=sss⟨=EN [Accessed 1st July 2009].	1. "This grass forms tall dense clumps, usually on wasteland, but is a potential weed of river and stream margins that can block waterways, promoting flooding. It provides a habitat for rats and possums, and poses a fire risk." 2. "The plant forms species poor clones that may cover hundreds of acres". 3. "It is a very aggressive plant, suppressing any other vegetation under its canopy."; "Natural populations are usually very dense: more than 50 stems per m2 is quite common." 4. "Once established, it can form huge clones, sometimes covering hundreds of acres."
5.01		Terrestrial
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habitat for native animals." [Refers to populations in California.] 2. "Invades: Watercourses; unlike indigenous reeds often occurs on roadsides and other sites away from water." 3. "However, it is also found in relatively dry and infertile soils, at field borders, on field ridges or on roadsides, where it grows successfully." 4. "Occurs in: agricultural areas, coastland, desert, natural forests, planted forests, range/grasslands, riparian zones, ruderal/disturbed, scrub/shrublands, urban areas...".

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1. "This species is believed to be native to freshwaters of eastern Asia (Polunin and Huxley 1987), but has been cultivated throughout Asia, southern Europe, north Africa, and the Middle East for thousands of years and has been planted widely in North and South America and Australasia in the past century (Perdue 1958, Zohary 1962). It was intentionally introduced to California from the Mediterranean in the 1820's in the Los Angeles area as an erosioncontrol agent in drainage canals, and was also used as thatching for roofs of sheds, barns, and other buildings (Hoshovsky 1987)." 2. "Stems of Arundo donax are widely used not only as construction material for temporary structures, roofs and fences, but as raw materials for cellulose in the paper industry. In addition, this species is a good stabilizer for different kinds of embankments, dams and eroded sands (in shallow ground water conditions) and has significant ornamental value." 3. "This grass has been planted in Texas as a protection against wind erosion." 4. "CU [Commercial Use]: Ornamental, fibre". 5. "Cultivated for: Ornament. screening." 6. "...being one of the most productive among the biomass crops currently cultivated in Europe...".

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		the rootmass. As a result there is less translocation of herbicide to the roots and less root-kill. Therefore many follow-up treatments must be made which negates any initial savings in herbicide and greatly increases manpower costs." [Control is possible, but labor-intensive, costly, and a large amount of follow-up is necessary.]
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