**WEEDWATCH**

STANDING SENTINEL TO PROTECT PLANT HEALTH

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**LAWN BURWEED**
*Soliva sessilis*

**IDENTIFICATION TIPS**
▷ This low-growing, freely branched, winter annual germinates when temperatures begin to cool.
▷ This weed reproduces by seed. In early spring, it begins to grow rapidly, forming spine-tipped burs in the leaf axis.
▷ It has opposite, sparsely hairy leaves, twice divided into narrow segments, or lobes. Small flowers bloom in the spring.
▷ Its burs are often hard to see, but easily felt.

**CONTROL TIPS**
▷ Maintain a healthy lawn by fertilizing and mowing at the proper height and frequency. Healthy grass can outcompete burweed for light, water and nutrients to reduce the level of infestation.
▷ Once this weed develops its burs, it is difficult to control and may need multiple applications of a post-emergent herbicide.
▷ Apply a labeled pre-emergence herbicide in the fall, before burweed germinates. Activate with 0.5 in. of rainfall or irrigation.

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**HORSEWEED**
*Conyza canadensis*

**IDENTIFICATION TIPS**
▷ Also known as marestail, this winter or summer annual can reach 6 ft. tall.
▷ Seedlings develop a basal rosette; young leaves are egg-shaped with toothed margins.
▷ Mature plants’ leaves are entirely without petioles. They are alternate with entirely or slightly toothed margins.
▷ White, pink or yellow inconspicuous flower heads occur at the top central stem of this prolific seed producer.

**CONTROL TIPS**
▷ Glyphosate- and ALS-resistant biotypes of this species have been confirmed in the United States, and are spreading across the country.
▷ As an annual weed that can produce more than 200,000 seeds per plant, pre-emergence herbicides may provide the best option for control — and will limit the spread of the resistant biotypes.
▷ Make a fall and early spring application of an appropriately labeled pre-emergent herbicide.

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