

FIREWEED ALERT

Fireweed, a highly invasive pest plant, has been located in the suburbs of Forde, Crace, Casey, Franklin, Lyneham, Coombs and Chisholm.

Fireweed is a Weed of National Significance, a prohibited pest plant in the ACT and can cause irreversible liver damage to horses and cattle.

Help prevent the spread of Fireweed and report sightings to Canberra Connect on 13 22 81 or email fireweed@act.gov.au. Please note the exact location and if possible provide a photo to assist in identification.

It is a daisy like plant with bright yellow flowers that usually has 13 petals. It produces fluffy wind borne seeds and can produce tens of thousands of viable seeds.



Daisy like flower with 13 petals



Fireweed on a nature strip

You can also remove Fireweed yourself by hand pulling it out but wear gloves as it can irritate the skin. Double bag the weed and dispose of the bag with your regular rubbish (not recycled or green waste).



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