

# African Feathergrass

*Cenchrus macrourus*

New IncurSION!

## What is it?

African feather grass is a highly invasive clump-forming warm season grass that mainly spreads via rhizomes but can also spread by seed. It is a threat to riparian areas, wet pasture and grassland. It forms dense infestations that completely eliminate other plants. Control requires multiple applications of herbicide and manual removal.



## Distinguishing Features

It can grow up to 2m high; light green leaves are up to 1cm wide ribbed and very serrated. The flower spike is long (up to 40cm) but narrow (1-2cm wide). It has a network of fibrous roots and sturdy rhizomes.



## Think you have seen it?

- This incursion has been located along Cotter Road (a real hotspot for incursions at the moment) near Camp Cottermouth.
- Report any other sightings to Citizen Science websites/apps like Canberra Nature Map <http://canberra.naturemapr.org/> with a close up photograph.
- These sites are monitored and an automatic alert will be sent to the Biosecurity Emergency Response Team.