Nutrien Solutions

Rights of Way as Habitat
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Application Techniques

- Basil Bark Application
- This can be year round
- The most selective application method
- Very labor intensive often the most expensive method of control
- Works best for smaller lighter infestations or removing seed producing trees from a large infestation i.e. Female trees from a buckthorn infestation
- Want to achieve an 8-12in band all around the stem
- Stump Treatment you just need to treat the cambium layer of the stump not the whole stump







Limitations

- Stump treatment should not be done during periods of heavy sap flow will want to wait a couple weeks till it slows down or stops
- Limited on the size of the tree 6in and larger diameter may be difficult to control
- Basil Bark application you must treat around the entire stem or you will not control the plant

Foliar Application

High Volume





High Volume Continued

- Application is done at 50-100 gallons per acre or more
- Works well for clearing large areas of weeds and brush
- Requires large equipment and tanks to store and mix the water volume
- Greater Risk of drift and off target kill
- Mixtures are based on Gallons per acre

Low Volume Foliar application





Low Volume

- Works best on small infestations
- Very Selective can target the individual plant you are trying to control
- When pairing this application technique with a selective herbicide i.e. broadleaf specific or grass specific increases the selectivity even more
- Labor intensive more than high volume foliar
- Limited on the size of brush you are trying to treat since you need to cover over 95% of the canopy including the terminal leader

Considerations for Site Establishment and ongoing Maintenance

- Ideally would like to use the most efficient maintenance tool
- High Volume Foliar Application is the most efficient tool

Is there a way to create pollinator habitat and preserve it, but also use a high volume foliar

application?



Milestone Herbicide

- Selective broadleaf herbicide that does not kill grass and certain native forbs are tolerant of Milestone
- Milestone kills many noxious weeds and has residual but will not affect certain native forbs and pollinator plants
- On your site if you plant a Milestone tolerant pollinator mix you can use a broadcast application with Milestone after a year of establishment eliminate many weeds and brush but keep all of the native forbs and grasses

Nutrien Solutions Milestone Tolerant Pollinator Mix

Oats/ Winter Wheat

Scientific Name	Common Name
Gaillardia aristata	Blanketflower
Asclepias syriaca	Common Milkweed
Zizia aurea	Golden Alexanders
Verbena stricta	Hoary Vervain
Echinacea purpurea	Purple Coneflower
Monarda fistulosa	Wild Bergamot/Bee Balm
Elymus canadensis	Canada Wildrye
Sorghastrum nutans	Indiangrass
Schizachyrium scoparium	Little Bluestem
Sporobolus compositus	Rough dropseed
Bouteloua curtipendula	Sideoats Grama
Panicum virgatum	Switchgrass

Cover Crop

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