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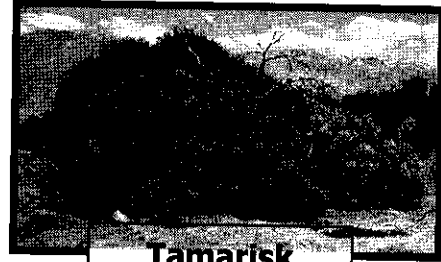
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# **Invasive Plants, Noxious Weeds**

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**Tamarisk**

- **One tamarisk tree can use up to 300 gallons of water per day, in addition to eliminating native habitat and poisoning soils with salts**
- **A four year delay in treatment of tall whitetop will cause control costs to triple**
- **Leafy spurge infestations in North Dakota have caused some real estate values to decline by as much as 80%**
- **UNR economists estimate a loss of wildlife-related recreation values in Nevada from \$25 to \$35 million over five years**
- **500 acres of tall whitetop have infested the Vegas Wash and could seriously impact water quality**
- **22 million acres of California are infested with yellow starthistle**
- **Lands in California infested with yellow starthistle have been abandoned and taken off the tax roll**
- **Nevada currently has 47 noxious weed species listed; Washington has 122; California has 134**
- **Tahoe Keys Marina spends in excess of \$80,000 per year to dredge/remove recurring infestations of Eurasian watermilfoil**