

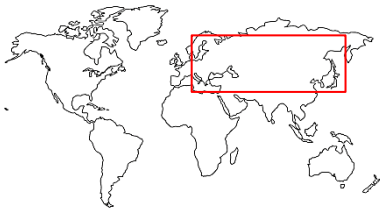
Wild parsnip

Pastinaca sativa

VERY INVASIVE – upcoming in the Arrowhead

Invasive habitat: places with high sun and average to moist soils, such as wet meadows, open fields, and roadsides.

Native range: Europe and Asia



Known and increasing in the Arrowhead



IDENTIFICATION



Growth form: herbaceous monocarpic plant that grows to be 2-5' tall. Leaves are a skin irritant.



Flowers: flowers grow in compound umbels that are 3-8" wide. Individual flowers are small and have 5 petals that curl under. Blooms June-July.



Leaves: leaves are compound with 5-15 leaflets. First year plant is a rosette of compound leaves and second year plant bolts upward.



Seeds: produces many seeds that mature by the end of August.

CONTROL



Manual: dig out while wearing gloves, long sleeves, and long pants.



Chemical: use Glyphosate and triclopyr on basal rosettes and 2,4-D or metsulfuron-methyl on leaves.



Prescribed fire: ineffective; plants re-sprout.



Cultural: plant native vegetation to increase competition.



Mechanical: mowing can reduce seed production, but plants will re-sprout.