#### **CWSS MB Provincial Report** Nov 22, 2023



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# Weather/Crop Report

- Slow start to the crop year but then dry conditions allowed seeding to catch up and finish on par with long term average
- Rainfall was extremely variable and areas that received timely rains had better yields
- Hot dry weather led to challenging spraying conditions, but in general weed control was good
- Late season rains led to weed flushes post-herbicide application
  - Pigweeds
  - Barnyard grass
  - Lambs quarters



- Increased heat accumulation led to earlier maturity and harvest (2 weeks)
- Lots of time for fall weed control, either tillage or herbicide or both
- Fairly dry conditions, need good snowfall and rains for next season to replenish soil moisture



#### Legislation

- Noxious Weeds Act
  - C.C.S.M. c. N110 (gov.mb.ca)
  - Corresponding regulation
  - One of oldest pieces of legislation in MB, revamped in 2017
  - Three Tiers of weeds
    - Tier 1 weeds are rare and isolated, or not yet present in MB
    - Tier 1 weeds must be destroyed



## Pigweed species

- Amaranthus tuberculatus, A. palmeri, A. hybridus are designated Tier 1 weeds
- Increased detection of waterhemp and hybrids in southcentral, eastern MB with new detections being found north and west
- DNA testing
  - Pest Surveillance Initiative lab, now owned by MB Canola Growers Association
  - Turnkey Genomics in ON
- Resistance testing indicates combination of Groups 2, 9, 14













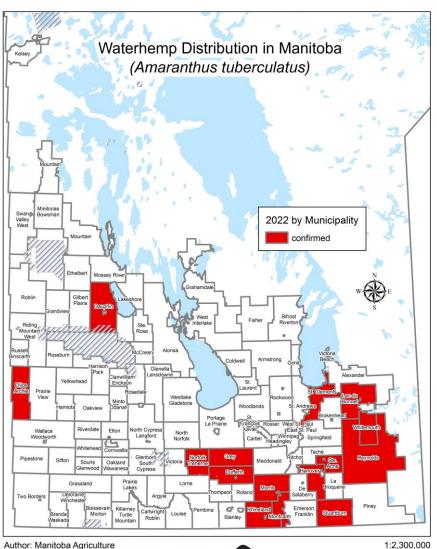












Waterhemp Distribution in Manitoba (Amaranthus tuberculatus) 2023 by Municipality confirmed Prairie View Westlake North Cypres Wallace Woodworth Langford Glenboro Pipestone Souris Oakland Dufferin Two Borders Boissevai Morton Killarne Turtle Rhineland

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Source: MB Ag Confirmation

Date: November 30, 2022

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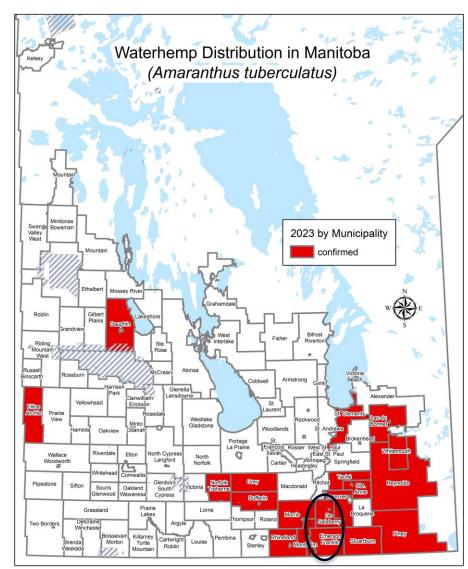
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## Waterhemp

- Now in 20 RM's
- Hot spots in de Salaberry and Emerson-Franklin
- Red River flooding in past years
- Downgrade to Tier 2 in these RM's



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## Crops vulnerable to waterhemp infestations

- Soybeans
  - Wide row
  - Sprayed with glyphosate only, still a common practice
- Corn
  - Producers starting to use more pre- and in-crop tank mixes, depending on area of province
- Sunflowers
  - Wide row
  - Majority are Group 2-resistant varieties
- Dry beans
  - Wide row
  - Limited herbicide options
- CL and RR canola
- Thin, less competitive wheat crops
  - Late flushes of waterhemp



#### Other Tier 1's

- Red Bartsia
  - La Broquerie
  - Downgrade to Tier 2 here
- Hounds' tongue
  - A couple pastures in Argyle
  - Discovered 2 years ago and keeps popping up