

## Key priorities for Alligator Weed management (2005-2006)

### National Research

Description	Ranking
Continue research to identify and introduce alligator weed biological control agents	1
Identify techniques to integrate herbicide and biological control	2
Continue development of alligator weed mycoherbicides	3
Continue research into mode of herbicides within alligator weed	4
Continue research into ecology and biology of alligator weed	5

### National Development

Description	Ranking
Develop and implement alligator weed early detection programs (and other aquatic WoNS). Key audiences include Local Government, existing weed detection networks, Waterwatch and community groups	1
Determine economic and ecological impacts (current and potential) of alligator weed	2
Develop and investigate effectiveness of non herbicide/biological control options for alligator weed (eg digging, mats, LPG Gas)	3
Develop and implement alligator weed best practice workshops	4

### Awareness and education

Description	Ranking
Conduct alligator weed awareness programs for key target audiences (boating and fishing, earth moving contractors, local councils, landholders)	1
Conduct alligator weed awareness programs within ethnic communities (Qld, Vic, ACT, SA & NSW)	2
Conduct aquatic WoNS identification training workshops	3

### Cross Regional Projects

Description	Ranking
Eradicate or contain priority alligator weed infestations (those at high risk of spread) in non core areas	1
Identify, map and contain high priority alligator weed (those at high risk of spread) in core areas	2