

# 2024 Herbicide Report and 2025 Plan

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## Open Space Conservancy Trust Herbicide Use Protocol

- Prescribes when herbicide may be used in Pioneer Park and Engstrom Open Space.
- Adaptive management framework to ecological restoration.
- Allows for strategic herbicide use when manual removal would cause greater ecological damage.

Pioneer Park and Engstrom Open Space Exhibit 1: 2024 Noxious Weed Monitoring and Treatment Map Yellow archangel

Non-native tree treatment\*

/// Non-native blackberry and tree

treatment\*

<sup>\*</sup>Highlighted locations received treatment where non-native trees were found that could not be effectively dug up and where non-native blackberry was growing up through native plants. These are sites where work was contracted in 2024. This map does not represent a full survey of all non-native trees or blackberry on Trust property.

Pioneer Park and Engstrom Open Space Exhibit 2: 2025 Herbicide Treatment Map Yellow archangel Non-native tree treatment\*

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### Yellow archangel

- Fast-growing, herbaceous perennial
- Spreads by stem fragments, root fragments, and seeds
- Class B noxious weed in King Countycontrol is recommended, not required
- Hand pull small patches
- Treated in spring and fall using glyphosate
  + triclopyr + surfactant (spreader-sticker)



#### Invasive Tree Treatment

- English laurel (Prunus laurocerasus)
- English holly (*Ilex aquifolium*)
- · European mountain ash (Sorbus aucuparia)
- · English hawthorn (Crataegus monogyna)
- · wild cherry (Prunus avium)
- · Portugal laurel (Prunus lusitanica)
- · black locust (Robinia pseudoacacia)
- · cherry plum (*Prunus cerasifera*)
- tree-of-heaven (Ailanthus altissima)
- EZ-Ject lance for larger trees
- Cut and paint for smaller trees



#### Himalayan and evergreen blackberry

- Quickly forms dense thickets
- Prevents tree regeneration

- Manually dig roots of most plants
- Where growing up through or immediately next to native plant, cut- paint herbicide

