

# WANTED—Dead, Not Alive!

Fact Sheet 98-61

# This outlaw weed is hiding out! Find it. Eradicate it. **Dalmatian Toadflax**

Alias: Linaria genistifolia ssp. dalmatica

almatian toadflax, introduced from southeastern Europe, is very aggressive and a problem on rangelands and along roadsides. This weed crowds out desirable forage and alters the native habitats. It exists in scattered patches throughout the northern and western U.S. and is spreading rapidly to new areas.

A perennial, dalmatian toadflax can reproduce by seed or vegetatively by spreading from underground roots. It is listed as a noxious weed by Nevada Administrative Code.

## **Distinguishing features:**

- Grows up to 3 feet tall.
- Leaves are waxy green, heart-shaped, and clasp the stem.
- Flowers are 1½ inch long with a long spur. They are snapdragon-shaped, showy, and bright yellow with orange centers.



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### Take action:

- Report its location to the land owner, gardener, manager or park ranger.
- Avoid walking on, driving on, or camping in dalmatian toadflax infested areas.
- Remove all weed seeds from your clothing, shoes, pets, camping gear, vehicle, and tire treads before moving out of an infested area.
- Monitor ornamental plantings, stream banks, and wetlands. Carefully remove any seeds and dig up the plant. Dispose of the seeds, shoots, and roots in a sealed garbage bag. Herbicides may also be available to kill this plant.
- Early action is imperative. It saves money and protects the environment.

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#### Your reward:

A cleaner, healthier environment and the satisfaction that you have helped make the difference!

#### For more information about controlling this and other invasive weeds, contact:

Nevada Cooperative Extension 775-784-1334; Nevada Division of Agriculture Bureau of Plant Industry, 775-688-1180; or Your local Weed District manager or Conservation District:

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