

# Notice of aerial herbicide spraying

Waikato Regional Council advises that pursuant to section 114A of the Biosecurity Act 1993 and Resource Consent 124871, spraying of pest plants growing in aquatic and semi-aquatic locations will occur between 7 January 2026 and 1 May 2026. Application will be by helicopter.

Pest plants to be sprayed are listed in the Regional Pest Management Plan and include (but are not limited to) alligator weed, yellow flag iris and Senegal tea.

A spray plan and maps can be viewed at [waikatoregion.govt.nz/pest-plant-control-over-water](http://waikatoregion.govt.nz/pest-plant-control-over-water).

Herbicide to be used is Associate 600 WDG (HSR-No 2424) and Weedmaster G360 (HSR000765).

The area of operation is:

- the Waikato River Delta from Port Waikato to Tuakau bridge
- Whangamarino Wetland and Maramarua River
- Lake Whangape and Whangape Stream
- Opuatia Wetland
- Waikato River and islands – Whangape Stream to Ohinewai
- Kimihia Wetland.

Spraying is weather dependent and will occur during daylight hours on any day, including weekends but excluding public holidays.

For more information or to request to be notified visit [www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/pest-plant-control-over-water](http://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/pest-plant-control-over-water) or call Waikato Regional Council's biosecurity pest plants team on 0800 800 401.

Occupiers who have already requested to be notified will be contacted prior to spraying.

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