

Fifteen Years

What did we want and what did we get?

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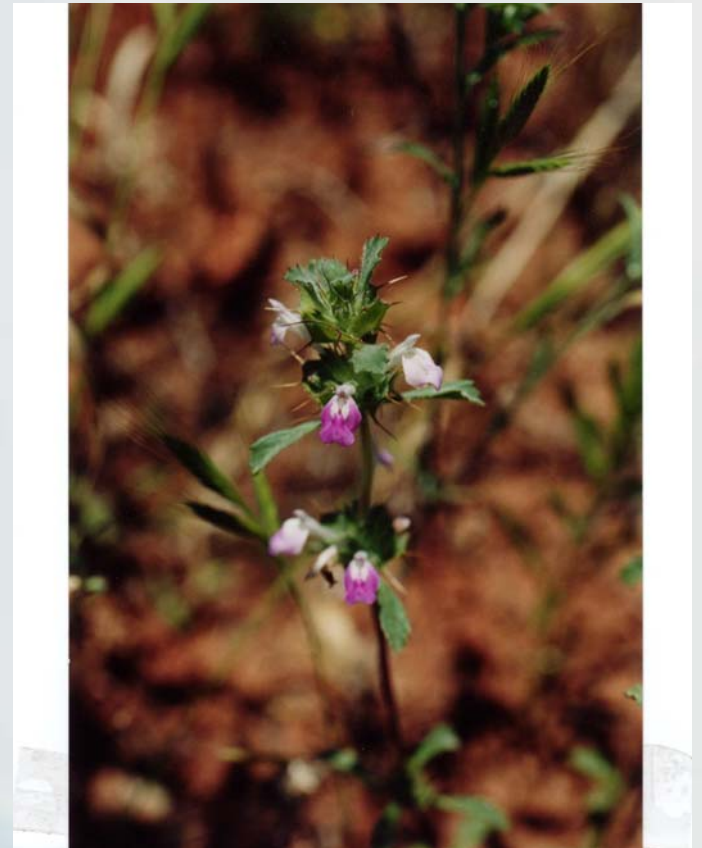
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Moro Bay

My 1992 questions

It all starts with questions

How do I protect San
Diego thornmint from
artichoke thistle?



Artichoke thistle (*Cynara cardunculus*)



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My 2006 questions



2006 Questions



2006 questions



2006: Vector question





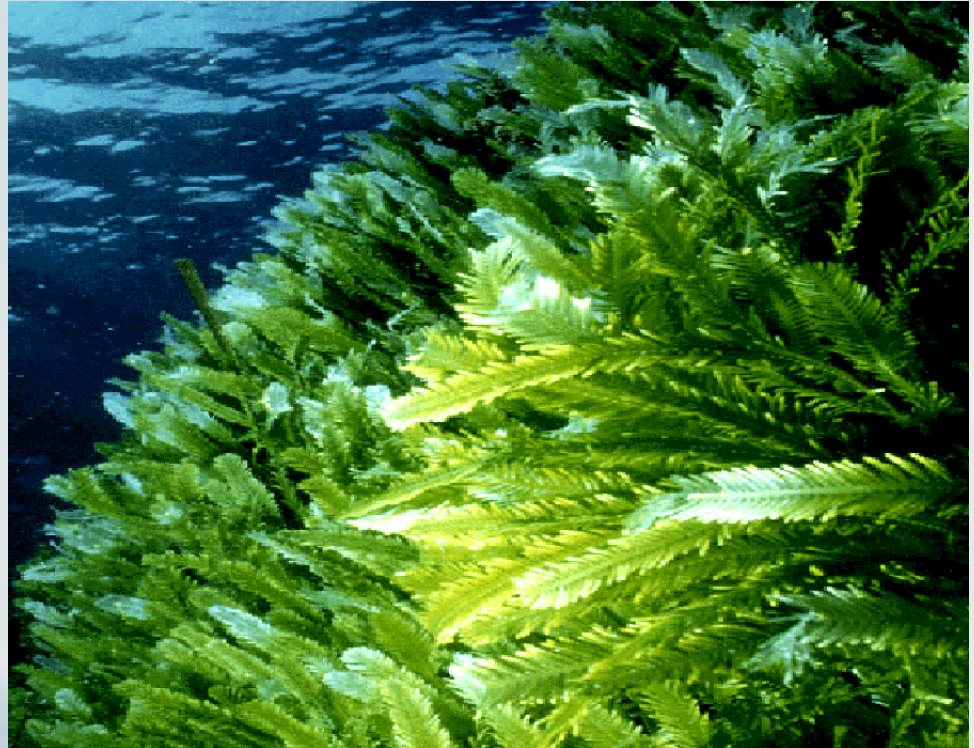
2006:
French broom
questions &
answers



Prophylactic management

Early Detection/Rapid Response Caulerpa taxifolia

- Unusual rapid response when detected-model
- Credit Regional Water Quality Control Board
- >\$3 million cost cheap compared w. inaction or late action



Caulerpa taxifolia, the Mediterranean's “killer algae,” was found in two southern California harbor sites

Management Lesson: the politics of eucalyptus



Goal isn't killing weeds.
It's conserving & restoring natives



Least bell's vireo story



Biological Control Research



Gap between research & management: When in doubt, do it yourself!



- Gather data.
- Design your own simple experiments:
- Drill & kill eucs, palms
- Basal bark ailanthus
- Ambrosia pumila & herbicide use
- Drilling & killing W. robusta, P. Canariense: what does it take?

Public education



- Walks & Talks
- Media coverage
- Education at the point of plant sale
- Del Mar Fair participation
- Local legislation

Volunteers

An increasing number of citizens are concerned about the impacts of wildland weeds and are getting involved in local restoration projects.

Volunteers control weeds in projects every week throughout San Diego County. Check with your local conservancy

