

Introducing the latest Cal-IPC Wildland Weeds Field Course:

TOOLS FOR EARLY DETECTION

**Audubon Canyon Ranch Bouverie Preserve, Sonoma
Thursday, October 4th, 2006
8:00am to 5:00 pm**

What: Join a group of invasive plant experts on a mission to track down wildland weed problems before large-scale infestation begins. During this new one-day field course, participants will learn how to design and implement an early detection program for invasive weeds. Topics include:

- Prioritizing survey areas
- Recruiting and training early detection volunteers
- Vegetation sampling techniques
- Vouchering, occurrence reporting, and creating your own herbarium
- Data recording techniques from pencils to GPS
- Discussion: How to make your early detection program work

Participants will gain hands-on experience in early detection techniques, a greater understanding of invasive plant biology, and the skills to incorporate early detection into a comprehensive land-management plan. The beautiful Audubon Canyon Ranch Bouverie Preserve in Sonoma provides both outdoor and indoor sites for demonstration and discussion.

Who: Cal-IPC's Wildland Weeds Field Courses are designed for both newcomers and old-timers in the field of invasive plant work, including land managers, restoration practitioners, stewardship volunteers, and agency staff.

How to Register: Registration is \$125 for symposium attendees (\$145 for the field course alone). This fee includes lunch, snacks, and materials. On-line registration with our secure credit card system is available at www.cal-ipc.org. To pay by check, please fax the registration form (downloadable from our website) to Cal-IPC at (510) 217-3500. Please mail the check to Cal-IPC, 1442-A Walnut St. #462, Berkeley, CA 94709. Payment must be received before the course; space will be given on a first-come, first-serve basis.

