

The chemicals Habitat and Polaris are prohibited in estuaries and marine waters.

Both of these chemicals are also known as

Imazapyr.

They are being applied in Willapa Bay, Gray's Harbor, Hood Canal, Puget Sound, and the Strait of Juan de Fuca, without the public being fully informed.

If you are really concerned about the health of the planet and your state, contact the following individuals, or your legislator.

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Subject: Label Amendment: Request to reconsider comments of EPA letter dated 12-16-08
Product Name: Habitat @ herbicide
EPA Reg. No. 241-426
Application Dated July 7, 2009

Dear Dr. Birk:

The labeling referred to above, submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, is acceptable, provided you make the following label changes before you release the product for shipment.

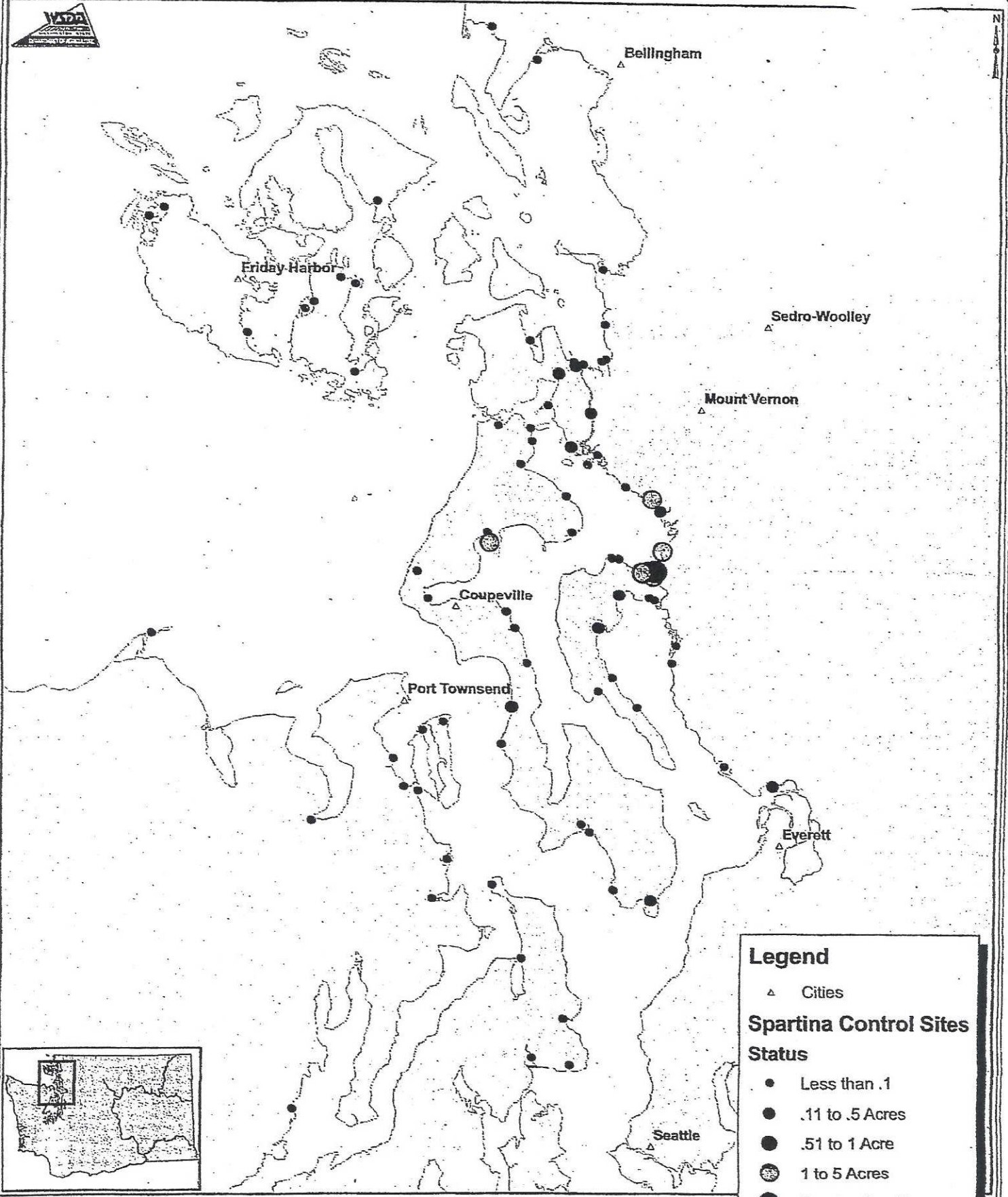
- i. Remove 'estuary' and 'marine' from the list of permissible aquatic sites for this product. The Risk Assessment for this product explicitly states the following as a use limitation:

"Do not apply to marine or estuarine areas."

Puget Sound Spartina Distribution, 2009



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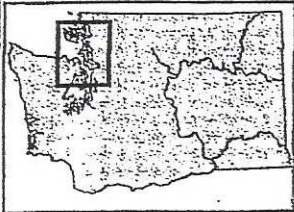
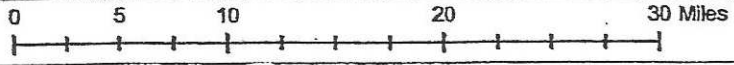


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Spartina Control Sites Status

- Less than .1
- .11 to .5 Acres
- .51 to 1 Acre
- 1 to 5 Acres
- Greater than 5



| Applicator Name | Application Year | Waterbody Name | Plant Name | Herbicide Used | County | WRIA |
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| Washington State Dept. of Ecology/Padilla Bay NERR | 2009 | Padilla Bay | Spartina | Glyphosate | Skagit | Lower Skag |
| Washington State Dept. of Ecology/Padilla Bay NERR | 2009 | Padilla Bay | Spartina | Imazapyr | Skagit | Lower Skag |
| Swinomish Indian Tribal Community | 2009 | Padilla Bay | Spartina | Glyphosate | Skagit | Lower Skag |
| Swinomish Indian Tribal Community | 2009 | Padilla Bay | Spartina | Imazapyr | Skagit | Lower Skag |
| Swinomish Indian Tribal Community | 2009 | Skagit Bay and Sirmilk Bay | Spartina | Glyphosate | Skagit | Lower Skag |
| Swinomish Indian Tribal Community | 2009 | Skagit Bay and Sirmilk Bay | Spartina | Imazapyr | Skagit | Lower Skag |
| Swinomish Indian Tribal Community | 2009 | Swinomish Channel | Spartina | Imazapyr | Skagit | Lower Skag |
| Swinomish Indian Tribal Community | 2009 | Swinomish Channel | Spartina | Glyphosate | Skagit | Lower Skag |
| Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife | 2009 | South Skagit Bay | Spartina | Glyphosate | Island | Island |
| Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife | 2009 | South Skagit Bay | Spartina | Imazapyr | Island | Island |
| Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife | 2009 | South Skagit Bay | Spartina | Adjuvant(s) | Island | Island |
| Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife | 2009 | Southeast Skagit Bay | Spartina | Adjuvant(s) | Snohomish | Lower Skagi |
| Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife | 2009 | Southeast Skagit Bay | Spartina | Glyphosate | Snohomish | Lower Skagi |
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| Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife | 2009 | Snohomish Delta | Spartina | Glyphosate | Snohomish | Snohomish |
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| The Nature Conservancy | 2009 | Snohomish Delta | Spartina | Glyphosate | Snohomish | Snohomish |
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| Snohomish County Noxious Weed Control Board | 2009 | Lower Sillaguamish/Port Susan | Spartina | Glyphosate | Snohomish | Sillaguamish |
| Snohomish County Noxious Weed Control Board | 2009 | Lower Sillaguamish/Port Susan | Spartina | Imazapyr | Snohomish | Sillaguamish |
| Snohomish County Noxious Weed Control Board | 2009 | Sillaguamish Estuary, Skagit B; | Spartina | Imazapyr | Snohomish | Sillaguamish |
| Snohomish County Noxious Weed Control Board | 2009 | Sillaguamish Estuary, Skagit B; | Spartina | Glyphosate | Snohomish | Sillaguamish |
| Island County Noxious Weed Control Board | 2009 | Puget Sound | Spartina | Glyphosate | Island | Island |
| Island County Noxious Weed Control Board | 2009 | Puget Sound | Spartina | Imazapyr | Island | Island |
| Washington State Department of Agriculture - REPORTING | 2009 | Strait of Juan de Fuca | Spartina | Imazapyr | Island | Island |
| Washington State Department of Agriculture - REPORTING | 2009 | Strait of Juan de Fuca | Spartina | Glyphosate | Clallam | Lyre-Hoko |
| Washington State Department of Agriculture - REPORTING | 2009 | Strait of Juan de Fuca | Spartina | Glyphosate | Clallam | Lyre-Hoko |
| Washington State Department of Agriculture - REPORTING | 2009 | Strait of Juan de Fuca | Spartina | Adjuvant(s) | Clallam | Lyre-Hoko |
| Washington State Department of Agriculture - REPORTING | 2009 | Hood Canal | Spartina | Imazapyr | Jefferson | Skokomish-t |
| Washington State Department of Agriculture - REPORTING | 2009 | Hood Canal | Spartina | Glyphosate | Jefferson | Skokomish-t |
| Washington State Department of Agriculture - REPORTING | 2009 | Hood Canal | Spartina | Adjuvant(s) | Jefferson | Skokomish-t |
| Washington State Department of Agriculture - REPORTING | 2009 | Hood Canal | Spartina | Imazapyr | San Juan | San Juan |
| Washington State Department of Agriculture - REPORTING | 2009 | Rosario Strait | Spartina | Glyphosate | San Juan | San Juan |
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| Washington State Department of Agriculture - REPORTING | 2009 | Rosario Strait | Spartina | Adjuvant(s) | San Juan | San Juan |
| Washington State Department of Agriculture - REPORTING | 2009 | Puget Sound | Spartina | Imazapyr | Kitsap | Kitsap |
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In Memoriam



Willapa Bay

This beautiful natural treasure no longer exists!

A victim of pesticide clearcut. No longer does the grass stabilize the shoreline, oxygenate the mudflats, maintain good water quality.

It is not too late to stop the carnage!

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*What is a weed?
A plant whose virtues have never been
discovered.* Ralph Waldo Emerson