



## Member Jurisdiction & WRIA Forum Grant Progress Report

**WRIA Forum:** Lake Washington-Cedar-Sammamish Waterhsed (WRIA 8)  
**Project Name:** Cedar River Invasive Knotweed Control Project

**Grantee:** King County Noxious Weed Control Program  
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**Instructions:** In the left column, list the project activities detailed in answer to question 3 of the *Member Jurisdiction & WRIA Forum Grant Application*; and in the right column, describe the progress to date on each project activity.

Approved Grant Activities	Progress by Approved Grant Activity
Inventory	An inventory of invasive knotweed on the Cedar River has been collected between Landsburg Dam (River Mile 22) and SR- 18 (RM 15.25). An additional survey downstream of SR-18 to the confluence of Taylor Creek (RM 13.35) is anticipated for 2009.
Planning	Identification of priority infestations for control was accomplished in early 2008. Landowners were notified and permission to access and control infestations was received. Priority control areas included sites directly adjacent to riparian corridors, infestations higher in the watershed and infestations likely to be restored to stable native vegetation.
Landowner Outreach and Liaison	All landowners within the Cedar River watershed were invited to an invasive knotweed workshop and training. All landowners within the project area received letters regarding the project and KCNWCP requested their permission to control knotweed on their property. 124 landowners were contacted about the project, of which approximately 66 allowed KCNWCP to control invasive knotweed on their properties.

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Permitting	<p>An NPDES permit was obtained from WSDA to perform work on the Cedar River and its tributaries. Another NPDES permit for 2009 control work will be obtained in spring 2009.</p>	
Implementation of Control	<p>Control efforts began on July 08, 2008. The maximum number of days that EarthCorps could allocate to the project for stem injection was 17 crew days. In addition, KCNWCP staff spent one day spraying invasive knotweed infestations. Approximately 24 gross infested acres, along 6 river miles, were treated in 2008. The project was limited by the number of days available by work crews. In 2009, funding dependant, KCNWCP will treat the remaining 2.5 river miles in the project area and will re-treat as needed, sites controlled in 2008.</p>	
Monitoring	<p>Monitoring sites treated in 2008 will begin in spring 2009. One site visited in October 2008 found that only approximately 70% of knotweed canes were controlled which is not unusual for a large infestation in the first year of control. Re-treatment in 2009 will be essential.</p>	
Follow-up Treatment	<p>Follow-up treatment in 2009 is essential for the success of the project. Early spring surveys will determine the method of control, typically foliar spray applications. However, one large site that was checked in fall 2008 will require additional stem injection to achieve desired control.</p>	