

# INVASIVE SPECIES ALERT!

## BLACK HENBANE

*(Hyoscyamus niger)*

### HAVE YOU SEEN THIS PLANT?

#### DESCRIPTION

- Annual or biennial forb grows up to 1 m tall from fleshy taproot.
- Sticky, greasy hairs cover entire plant.
- Erect, almost woody stem yields alternating, dark green leaves, partially lobed with conspicuous veins.
- Pale yellow, funnel-shaped (5-lobed) flowers with purple veins and throat.
- Leaves and flowers produce foul odour.
- Reproduces and disperses by seed; single plant can produce tens of thousands of seeds.
- Seed dispersal mainly by wind and contaminated gravel soil; seeds viable in rangelands 1-5 years.
- Prefers disturbed corridors, especially open rangelands, road sides and riparian areas.
- Prefers moist, nutrient rich, sandy loam soils but does not tolerate shade or saturated soils.



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### REPORT PROHIBITED SPECIES

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**PRIMARY THREAT:** Extremely poisonous to livestock and humans; harbours major crop pests.

#### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- REPORT sightings.
- SELECT non-invasive plants for your garden.



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#### DISTRIBUTION IN BC

Confirmed sites limited to the Cariboo, Okanagan-Similkameen, Thompson-Nicola and East Kootenay regions.



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