

Onionweed, *Asphodelus fistulosus* L.

Onionweed has been classified as a Federal Noxious Weed since 1984.



Native to:
Mediterranean region,
Asia minor to western
Asia, and northern
India.

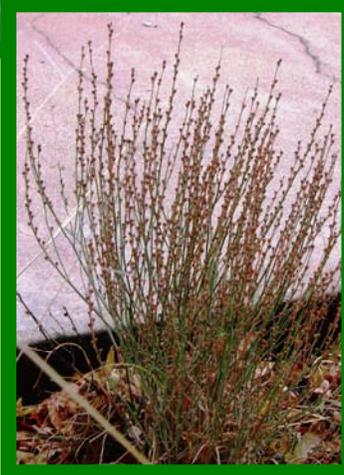
Has spread to:
Arizona,
California, New
Mexico and Texas.



- * Highly invasive.
- * Prolific seeder.
- * Infestation - considerably reduces native species.
- * Dense stands can cause a negative change in sunlight intensity, moisture and nutrient availability.
- * Not palatable to livestock and wildlife.



- * Annual, biennial or perennial.
- * Smooth cylindrical leaves.
- * Plants can be up to 30 inches tall and half that in width.
- * Fibrous Roots.
- * Reproduce by seed.
- * Flowers are white with a pink rib, 6 petals, and about .75 inches across.



To report sightings of this plant or if you have any questions please contact Kara Escarciga, Plant Health Safeguarding Specialist at (520) 980-5454 or e-mail azfedweed@aphis.usda.gov