



Parkinsonia: Fast Facts

- Parkinsonia is one of Australia's most invasive and destructive weeds
- It has been declared a "weed of national significance", meaning landowners have a legal obligation to control its spread
- Parkinsonia has the potential to invade up to 70% of Australia's mainland and is one of the worst weed threats to Australia's rangelands
- It generally invades waterways first, with infestations expanding outward to wetlands, flood plains and pastures. Dense impenetrable thickets can now be found throughout Northern Australia with significant impacts on productivity and land values
- Parkinsonia infestation results in reduced pasture production and stock-carrying capacity, habitat destruction, choked water-courses, refuge for feral animals and loss of bio-diversity
- Current chemical and mechanical control methods for Parkinsonia are often ineffective and expensive due to their inability to kill seedlings and inability to be used near waterways