Problem Weed Control in Field Crops – An Interactive Cd

"My agronomists found the information in this CD to be very helpful, please send me more CDs"

- Certified Crop Adviser, Wellington County, ON

"Excellent quality of photographs and information"

- Anonymous grower, Dresden, ON

Purpose:

As growers have adopted reduced tillage cropping systems, the diversity of weeds that they now have to manage has increased. Control of these species can be extremely difficult as often there is very little control information available. Therefore OMAFRA partnered up with the University of Guelph Weed Research team and the Corn, Soybean and Wheat commodity organizations to conduct and summarize weed control trials for a number of troublesome weeds as a tool to give growers a starting point for effective management strategies.

Results:

An interactive CD featuring biology and identification of 30 weed species along with control information for corn, soybeans and winter wheat. This CD also features over 200 colour pictures of weeds and the level of control achieved using various management treatments.

Summary:

Over 6000 CD's were distributed in 2005. The response to this CD by growers and agronomist was extremely positive and no inventory remains. Therefore the results of this CD were made available on the OMAFRA website at: www.omafra.gov.on.ca Acknowledgements:

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