# **2024** Biocontrol Data Sheet

Z	Reporter:					Date:			
REPORTER INFORMATION						Time:			
	Reporter Affiliation:	Site Name:							
	Ils this a new biocontrol monitoring site?			YES NO	If, NO, skip to LEAFY SPURGE COVER.				
	Ctata	Coordinates	: Decimal la	at/long or	Latitude:				
	State:		UTM (NAD	83, Zone 13)	Longitude:				
re &	Country		Elevation:		UTM E:				
SITE	County:		(ft.)		UTM N:				
OWNERSHIP	Ownership Type (Circle Type)	Private - Individual		Colorado-State Wildlife A		rea Federal-BLM			
		Private - Corporation or		Colorado-State Park		Federal-Other			
		Organization		Colorado-State Trust Land		ds Other (specify)			
	Owner/Agency Contact (First and Last Name):					Phone:			
	Permission Required for Access ? YES			NO If YES, verbal ? w		written ?	]		
-	Geomorphic Feature (circle type)		Aspect	Soil Type (	circle type)	Vegetat	tion Type (circ	le type)	
	active channel island		N	sandy loam		sparsely vegetated			
TIO	active channel bar		NE	loam		riparian forest			
MA.	river bank (edge of active channel)		E	silt loam		riparian herbaceous			
FOR	seasonally inundated floodplain		SE	sandy clay loam		agricultural crop (includes grass hay)			
Z	irrigated agricultural field		S	clay loam		upland plant community			
HABITAT INFORMATION	irrigation ditch bank		SW	silty clay loam		Non-Soil Substrate Type			
HAB	upland		W	sandy clay		sand (<2mm)			
	other (specify)		NW	clay		gravel (2mm to 64 mm)			
			flat (no aspect)	silty clay		cobble (>64mm)			
٧	LEAFY SPURGE COVER:	(circle one)	absent	trace (<1%)	low (1 to 5%)	moderate (5 -25 %)	high (25-100%)		
DAT	Weather Conditions: clear partly cloudy overcast rain other (specify)								
SNIS	Wind: calm light moderate strong Air Temp. (°F):								
IITOI	Initial Inspection for Biological Control Insects. Check all that were observed:								
BIOCONTROL RELEASE and/or MONITORING DATA	Aphthona—black flea beetles Aphthona—brown flea beetles Oberea—root borer beetles								
)/pu	Sweep Monitoring for Biological Control Insects. Check all that were sampled:  None								
\SE a	Aphthona—black flea beetles Aphthona—brown flea beetles Oberea—root borer beetles								
ELEA	Total Biological Control Insects Were Biological Control Insects Include quantity of each species								
ROL R	counted in 20 sweeps:	lay? YES	NO		General Comm				
NO	Was this a CLASSICAL release (1,000 Aphthona, 50-100 Oberea)? Or INUNDATIVE release (more)?								
ВЮС	General Comments:								
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## **YRLSP**

## **2024 Biocontrol Data Sheet Instructions**

#### SITE & REPORTER INFORMATION

Reporter: This is you—your first and last name.

Reporter Affiliation: e.g., YRLSP, CSU Extension, BLM, Moffat Co., Routt Co., CPW, etc.

Site Name: Each release site is assigned a unique site name. All future monitoring data collected at

each site will be associated with that site name.

State: CO County: Moffat or Routt Elevation: Record this in feet.

Coordinates: Record the coordinates at the center of the monitoring plot/release site. These can be

recorded in decimal lat/long or UTMs (NAD 83, Zone 13).

**OWNERSHIP** 

Ownership Type: Circle the appropriate ownership category. If "other," include an explanation in the

"General Comments" field.

Owner/Agency Contact: This is the best contact for access permission and/or local biocontrol site history.

Permission for access: This should be filled out before heading to the field. Necessary written permissions

should be brought to the field.

**HABITAT INFORMATION** 

Geomorphic Feature: Our primary interest is riparian settings—please circle the specific type. All upland sites

are lumped as a single category. If "other," include an explanation in the "General

Comments" field.

Soil Type: Soil texture will be added later—after samples are processed by NRCS.

Non-soil substrate type: Active channel sites may have no descernable soil development. Use these categories to

describe substrate particle size when no developed soil is present.

Vegetation Type: In general, "sparsely vegetated" pertains to active channel environments, including

islands, channel margin bars and banks. Upland sites may be sparsely vegetated, but should be categorized as "upland plant community." It is permissible to circle more than

one category, if the site is mixed.

### **BIOCONTROL RELEASE and/or MONITORING DATA**

#### **General Sampling Instructions**

First, sweep randomly in the area around—but not in—the plot (3 or 4 sets of 10 sweeps), to determine if biocontrol insects are present/absent in the release area. Record observations in the "Initial Inspection" field. Next, five sampling points will be swept along four lines in N, E, S and W direction from release point (20 sample points total). For each line, begin as close to the release point as possible. Using a 15-inch diameter sweep net, make four sweeps in front of you (back and forth twice). Each net sweep should proceed in a downward arc, so that the net moves vigorously through the vegetation as close to the ground as possible. Carefully examine the net and count the biocontrol insects present, then empty the net to release the counted insects. You may empty the insects into the white bucket to facilitate counting. Move ≈5 feet (2 paces) out and repeat above steps—a total of 5 times in each of the 4 cardinal directions.

Record swept insect numbers in the table below and then record the total number from all 20 sampling points.

	N	E	S	W
0 ft.				
5 ft.				
10 ft.				
15 ft.				
20 ft.				
TOTAL				

Photos Taken					
Direction	File Number				
N					
E					
S					
W					

Add across the bottom (TOTAL) row to obtain the total for plot. \_\_\_\_\_