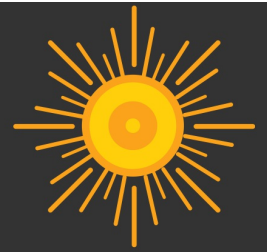
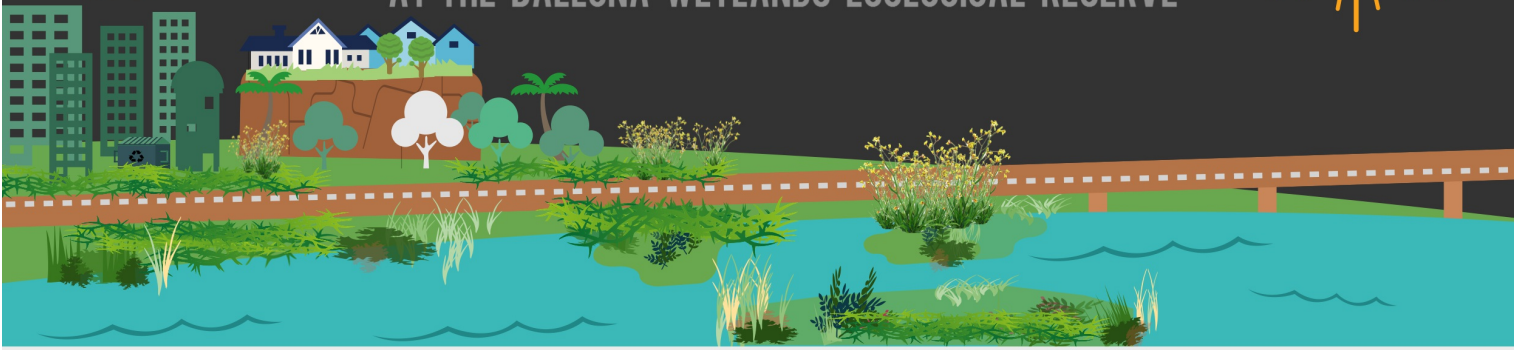




# INVASIVES



AT THE BALLONA WETLANDS ECOLOGICAL RESERVE



## INVASIVE PLANTS HAVE TAKEN OVER

Invasive iceplant covers 35 acres of the wetlands, equivalent to 26 football fields



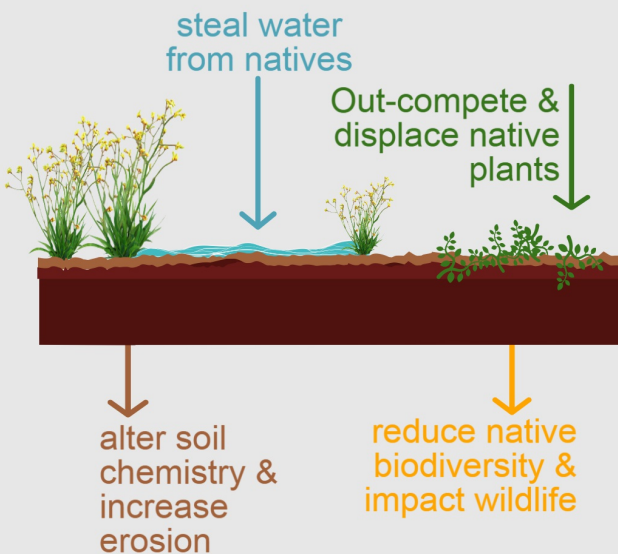
## WORST WEED INVADERS OF WETLANDS

- ✗ Giant Reed
- ✗ Iceplant
- ✗ Mustard
- ✗ Euphorbia
- ✗ Crown Daisy
- ✗ Castor Bean

Invasive plants not only affect biodiversity and ecosystem functioning, but also human use and enjoyment of wetlands

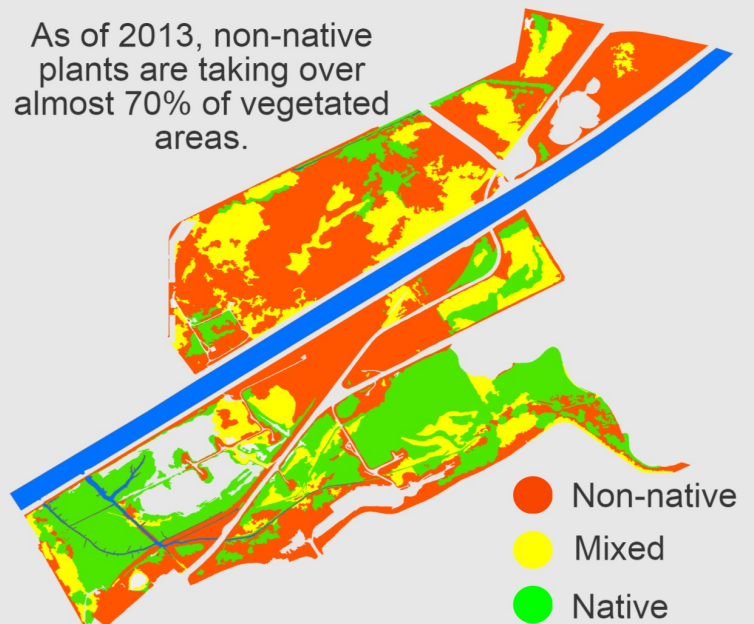
## WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?

### NON-NATIVE PLANTS...



### IT'S GETTING WORSE...

As of 2013, non-native plants are taking over almost 70% of vegetated areas.



Over 25 acres of native alkali weed was replaced by non-natives such as black mustard over the course of 6 years.

This shows that if we do nothing, we are harming the system.

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