

Weeds of Sweetwater Creek – Recognition and Management

Large Quaking-Grass (*Briza maxima*) origin Mediterranean.

Description: Annual grass with erect flower stems to 80cm, large shell-like seed-heads. When first emerging in spring, the base of the leaves is reddish and the grass blade is bright green making it easier to distinguish from other grasses.



Habit: *Briza* quickly covers large areas of grassland to the detriment of indigenous grasses.

Treatment: Easily pulled out in spring before the seedheads have appeared. At this stage can be left to dry out on the ground. Once the seedheads are evident they must be bagged.