



White-top or Hoary cress *Cardaria draba* & *C. pubescens*

White-top which is also known as hoary cress, is a very aggressive rhizomatous spreading perennial that grows from 6-24 inches and has rounded stems with no ridges. The leaves are serrated, alternating, and clasp the stems. Often the plant has a lighter, almost gray appearance due to the presence of fine hairs. Since both of these species are members of the mustard family, they have four petaled flowers that occur in clusters at the top of the plant. The seeds for either of these species are heart-shaped or pod shaped.



This is generally one of the first weeds to flower in the spring. It prefers alkaline soils but, will invade any disturbed site and once it becomes established it is very difficult to control.

For help with controlling this species contact Teton County Weed & Pest District.

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