



TETON COUNTY WEED AND PEST DISTRICT



## Perennial sowthistle *Sonchus arvensis*

Perennial sowthistle is a creeping root perennial that reproduces by a fleshy root or by wind dispersed seeds. The flower is bright yellow and similar in appearance to a dandelion (this plant grows much taller than dandelions though usually 2-5 feet). The leaves have winged stalks and prickles on the margins. Perennial sowthistle has a milky sap when broken or injured.

In Teton County this plant rarely forms dense monocultures and is often found along the levee system. **Perennial sowthistle is often a nuisance and if you need help controlling this weed please contact Teton County Weed & Pest District 733-8419.**



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