

Matchweed

Scientific name: *Gutierrezia sarothrae*
Common names: Snakeweed, turpentine weed

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Perennial

Flowers numerous,
small, yellow

Leaves alternate

Stems erect, numer-
ous, from woody base

Taproot woody

Matchweed inhabits dry, well-drained soils. It does not occur on highly alkaline soils. Considered poor feed for livestock, it tends to invade heavily grazed range areas.

Control: Spray with 4 pounds 2,4-D per acre early in the spring when matchweed is actively growing. Repeat treatments as necessary.



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