



It's an awful pain in the...

In the northern United States, we've been very lucky to avoid the awful pains of Palmer Amaranth - a killer member of the pigweed family that can cut corn yields by as much as 91% and soybeans by as much as 70%.

Only recently has Palmer Amaranth made its way into to our neck of the woods. According to the University of Minnesota Extension, "it was discovered in the newly-seeded CRP land in Iowa, including Clayton County, just one county away from southeastern Minnesota."

The threat is real.

Some reports have indicated that it was found in Minnesota this past fall, so it's probably already here, which is bad news. Palmer Amaranth is THE most competitive and aggressive of the known pigweed species - growing at a rate of 2 to 3 inches per day.

Syngenta agronomists rank it as the number one weed to monitor this year.

The news appears to be getting grimmer since Palmer is now showing resistance to multiple herbicide modes of action, including glyphosate and ALS inhibitors. So, not only does it adapt rapidly, but it grows and spreads like wildfire - a single female plant produces 100,000 to 500,000 seeds...

No wonder its initials are P.A.! Talk about a Pain in the A-- !

So what's to be done? Well, when your control options are limited, it becomes a matter of quick identification, comprehensive planning, and swift and regular eradication.

We're not experts on pigweeds so we've found some excellent resources on identification, planning, and eradication for you to review: [click here](#) and [here](#).

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