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War of the Weeds



Nearly all the acres of farmland in the U.S. are sprayed with chemical herbicides every year to prevent weeds from overwhelming crops.

Leonard Gianessi, Director of the Crop Protection Research Institute, has prepared a 40-minute slideshow (*War of the Weeds*) that discusses the benefits of using herbicides to control weeds on the nations cropland. This presentation includes extensive documentation of historical weed control practices (before herbicides) and the weed control practices of organic growers (who do not use herbicides). Leonard concludes the talk with an estimate of how many workers would be needed in the field to effectively replace herbicides.

Appropriate for all audiences, this educational seminar provides an overview of weeds and herbicide basics.

What Do The Critics Think?

"War of the Weeds accurately portrays the struggle of farmers against the menace of weeds."

Daren Coppock, CEO, National Association of Wheat Growers

"Leonard's discussion of herbicides is a great reminder that modern agricultural technology provides the clearest path to true sustainability."

Carl Casale, Executive Vice President, Monsanto Company

"He brings the science of weed control to a broader audience with pictures, history, and humor."

Rich Bonanno, Extension Specialist, University of Massachusetts

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