

OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

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Subject: Notification per PRN 98-10 – Label Notification to change control of 'Holly' to suppression and add a footnote 5 Product Name: CHOPPER GEN2 Herbicide EPA Registration Number: 241-430 Application Date: 2/12/2015 Decision Number: 500336

Dear Dr. Birk:

The Agency is in receipt of your Application for Pesticide Notification under Pesticide Registration Notice (PRN) 98-10 for the above referenced product. The Registration Division (RD) has conducted a review of this request for its applicability under PRN 98-10 and finds that the action requested falls within the scope of PRN 98-10.

The label submitted with the application has been stamped "Notification" and will be placed in our records.

If you have any questions, you may contact Angela Hollis at 703-347-0216 or via email at <u>hollis.angela@epa.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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Heather A. Garvie, Product Manager 24 Fungicide Herbicide Branch (7505P) Office of Pesticide Programs



## For control of vegetation on forestry sites

#### **Active Ingredient:**

isopropylamine salt of imazapyr: (2-[4,5-dihydro-4-methyl-4-(1-methylethyl)-5-oxo-1H-	
imidazol-2-yl]-3-pyridinecarboxylic acid)*	26.7%
Other Ingredients:	73.3%
Total:	100.0%
* Equivalent to 21.8% (2-[4,5-dihydro-4-methyl-4-(1-methylethyl)-5-oxo-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-3-pyridinecarboxylic acid) or 2 pounds acid p	ber gallon

#### EPA Reg. No. 241-430

#### EPA Est. No.

# KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN CAUTION/PRECAUCION

Si usted no entiende la etiqueta, busque a alguien para que se la explique a usted en detalle. (If you do not understand this label, find someone to explain it to you in detail.)

See inside for complete First Aid, Precautionary Statements, Directions For Use, Conditions of Sale and Warranty, and state-specific crop and/or use site restrictions.

In case of an emergency endangering life or property involving this product, call day or night 1-800-832-HELP (4357).

**Net Contents:** 

BASF Corporation 26 Davis Drive Research Triangle Park, NC 27709



	FIRST AID
If swallowed	<ul> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice.</li> <li>Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow.</li> <li>DO NOT induce vomiting unless told to by a poison control center or doctor.</li> <li>DO NOT give anything to an unconscious person.</li> </ul>
If in eyes	<ul> <li>Hold eyes open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15 to 20 minutes.</li> <li>Remove contact lenses, if present, after first 5 minutes; then continue rinsing eyes.</li> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>
If on skin or clothing	<ul> <li>Take off contaminated clothing.</li> <li>Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15 to 20 minutes.</li> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>
If inhaled	<ul> <li>Move person to fresh air.</li> <li>If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance; then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth to mouth, if possible.</li> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.</li> </ul>
	HOTLINE NUMBER

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor or going for treatment. You may also contact BASF Corporation for emergency medical treatment information: 1-800-832-HELP (4357).

## **Precautionary Statements**

## Hazards to Humans and Domestic Animals

**CAUTION.** Harmful if swallowed, causes moderate eye irritation. Avoid contact with eyes or clothing. Prolonged or frequently repeated skin contact may cause allergic reactions in some individuals.

## Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Some materials that are chemically resistant to this product are made out of any waterproof material. If you want more options, follow the instructions for **Category A** on an EPA chemical-resistance category selection chart.

## Mixers, loaders, applicators, and other handlers must wear:

- Long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- Chemical-resistant gloves made of any waterproof material (except for pilots)
- Shoes plus socks

Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning and maintaining PPE. If no such instructions for washables exist, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry. Discard clothing and other absorbent materials that have been drenched or heavily contaminated with this product's concentrate. **DO NOT** reuse them.

## **Engineering Controls**

Pilots must use an enclosed cockpit that meets the requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides [40 CFR 170.240(d)(6)].

## USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

#### Users should:

- Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the toilet.
- Remove clothing/PPE immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.
- Remove PPE immediately after handling this product. Wash the outside of gloves before removing. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

## **Physical and Chemical Hazards**

Mix, store, and apply spray solutions of **Chopper<sup>®</sup> Gen2<sup>™</sup> herbicide** only in stainless steel, fiberglass, plastic, and plastic-lined steel containers.

**DO NOT** mix, store, or apply **Chopper Gen2** or spray solutions of **Chopper Gen2** in unlined steel (except stainless steel) containers or spray tanks.

## **Environmental Hazards**

This product is toxic to plants. Drift and runoff may be hazardous to plants in water adjacent to treated areas. **DO NOT** apply directly to water, or to areas where surface water is present, or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. **DO NOT** contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwater or rinsate. See **Directions For Use** for additional precautions and requirements.

## **Directions For Use**

It is a violation of federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

**DO NOT** apply this product in a way that will contact workers or other persons, either directly or through drift. Only protected handlers may be in the area during application.

For any requirements specific to your state or tribe, consult the agency responsible for pesticide regulation.

## AGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS

Use this product only in accordance with its labeling and with the Worker Protection Standard, 40 CFR Part 170. This standard contains requirements for the protection of agricultural workers on farms, forests, nurseries, and greenhouses, and handlers of agricultural pesticides. It contains requirements for training, decontamination, notification, and emergency assistance. It also contains specific instructions and exceptions pertaining to the statements on this label about personal protective equipment (PPE) and restricted-entry interval. The requirements in this box only apply to uses of this product that are covered by the Worker Protection Standard. The requirements in this box apply to use on trees being grown for sale or other commercial use, or for commercial seed production, or for production of timber or wood products, or for research purposes.

**DO NOT** enter or allow worker entry into treated areas during the restricted-entry interval (REI) of **48 hours**.

PPE required for early entry to treated areas that is permitted under the Worker Protection Standard and that involves contact with anything that has been treated, such as plants, soil, or water, is:

- Protective eyewear
- Coveralls
- Chemical-resistant gloves made of any waterproof material
- Shoes plus socks

## NONAGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS

The requirements in this box apply to uses of this product that are NOT within the scope of the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides (40 CFR Part 170). The WPS applies when this product is used to produce agricultural plants on farms, forests, nurseries, or greenhouses.

Noncrop weed control is not within the scope of the Worker Protection Standard. See the **Product Information** section of this label for a description of noncrop sites.

Except for applicator during application of **Chopper® Gen2™ herbicide**, **DO NOT** enter or allow others to enter treated areas until sprays have dried.

**Chopper Gen2** must be used only in accordance with instructions and restrictions in this leaflet label. Keep containers closed to avoid spills and contamination.

## STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

**DO NOT** contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal.

## **Pesticide Storage**

DO NOT store below 10° F.

## **Pesticide Disposal**

Wastes resulting from the use of this product must be disposed of on-site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

## **Container Handling**

Nonrefillable Container. DO NOT reuse or refill this container. Triple rinse or pressure rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying; then offer for recycling, if available, or reconditioning, if appropriate, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by incineration, or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities.

Triple rinse containers small enough to shake (capacity  $\leq$  5 gallons) as follows: Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank and drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Fill the container 1/4 full with water and recap. Shake for 10 seconds. Pour rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank, or store rinsate for later use or disposal. Drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Repeat this procedure two more times.

**Triple rinse containers too large to shake** (capacity > 5 gallons) as follows: Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank. Fill the container 1/4 full with water. Replace and tighten closures. Tip container on its side and roll it back and forth, ensuring at least one complete revolution, for 30 seconds. Stand the container on its end and tip it back and forth several times. Turn the container over onto its other end and tip it back and forth several times. Empty the rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank, or store rinsate for later use or disposal. Repeat this procedure two more times.

**Pressure rinse as follows:** Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or mix tank and continue to drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Hold container upside down over application equipment or mix tank, or collect rinsate for later use or disposal. Insert pressure rinsing nozzle in the side of the container and rinse at about 40 PSI for at least 30 seconds. Drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip.

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## STORAGE AND DISPOSAL (continued)

#### Container Handling (continued)

**Refillable Container.** Refill this container with pesticide only. **DO NOT** reuse this container for any other purpose. Triple rinsing the container before final disposal is the responsibility of the person disposing of the container. Cleaning before refilling is the responsibility of the refiller.

**Triple rinse as follows:** To clean the container before final disposal, empty the remaining contents from this container into application equipment or mix tank. Fill the container about 10% full with water. Agitate vigorously or recirculate water with the pump for 2 minutes. Pour or pump rinsate into application equipment or rinsate collection system. Repeat this rinsing procedure two more times.

When this container is empty, replace the cap and seal all openings that have been opened during use; return the container to the point of purchase or to a designated location. This container must only be refilled with a pesticide product. Prior to refilling, inspect carefully for damage such as cracks, punctures, abrasions, worn-out threads and closure devices. Check for leaks after refilling and before transport. **DO NOT** transport if this container is damaged or leaking. If the container is damaged, or leaking, or obsolete and not returned to the point of purchase or to a designated location, triple rinse emptied container and offer for recycling, if available, or dispose of container in compliance with state and local regulations.

## In Case of Spill

In case of large-scale spillage regarding this product, call:

• CHEMTREC

1-800-424-9300

• BASF Corporation 1-800-832-HELP (4357)

## RESTRICTIONS

**DO NOT** use on food or feed crops. **DO NOT** apply to the inside of ditches used to transport irrigation water. Keep from contact with fertilizers, insecticides, fungicides, and seeds to prevent unintentional exposure of desirable vegetation to **Chopper® Gen2™ herbicide**. **DO NOT** apply or drain or flush equipment on or near sensitive desirable plants, or on areas where their roots may extend, or in locations where the chemical may be washed or moved into contact with their roots. **DO NOT** use on Christmas trees.

Thoroughly clean application equipment after use. Flush tank, pump, hoses, and boom with several changes of water after removing nozzle tips and screens (clean these parts separately).

## **Product Information**

**Chopper Gen2** is an aqueous formulation that is readily mixable with water. For foliar applications, an emulsion may be prepared by mixing **Chopper Gen2** into water and then adding a suitable seed oil at 1% to 12.5% by volume. Maintain adequate agitation with all **Chopper Gen2** emulsion mixtures to prevent phase separation. Test for compatibility in small containers before actual tank mixing with other products, herbicides and carrier oils.

**Chopper Gen2** controls vegetation in forestry sites. Roadsides contiguous with the treated area may be included.

**Chopper Gen2** controls vegetation in forestry site preparation, in broadcast and directed applications for conifer release, for midrotation release using understory broadcast applications, and late rotation release in Western conifers.

**Chopper Gen2** controls undesirable vegetation along nonirrigation ditchbanks and for the establishment and maintenance of wildlife openings, except in the state of California. See use directions for conifer site preparation treatments, directed foliar applications for conifer release and understory broadcast applications for midrotation release.

**Chopper Gen2** may be applied on forestry sites that contain areas of temporary surface water caused by the collection of water between planting beds, in equipment ruts, or in other depressions created by forest management activities, except in the states of California and New York. It is permissible to treat drainage ditches, intermittent drainage, intermittently flooded low-lying sites, seasonally dry flood plains, and transitional areas between upland and lowland sites when no water is present, except in the states of California and New York. Only the edge of drainage ditches can be treated for drainage ditches that contain water. It is also permissible to treat marshes, swamps, and bogs after water has receded, as well as seasonally dry flood deltas, except in the states of California and New York.

**DO NOT** make applications to natural or man-made bodies of water such as lakes, reservoirs, ponds, streams, rivers and canals.

## Symptomology

**Chopper Gen2** is readily absorbed through foliage, bark and roots and is translocated rapidly throughout the plant, with accumulation in meristematic regions. Treated plants stop growing soon after herbicide application. Chlorosis first appears in the youngest leaf tissue. In perennials, the herbicide is translocated into the roots, thus preventing resprouting. Chlorosis and tissue necrosis may not be apparent in some species for several weeks after application. Woody plants, brush, and trees may not display the full extent of herbicide control until several months following application.

## **Spray Drift Requirements**

## **Aerial Applications**

- Applicators are required to use a coarse or coarser droplet size (ASABE S572) or, if using a spinning atomizer nozzle, applicators are required to use a volume mean diameter (VMD) of 385 microns or greater for release heights below 10 feet. Applicators are required to use a very coarse or coarser droplet size or, if using a spinning atomizer nozzle, applicators are required to use a VMD of 475 microns or greater for release heights above 10 feet. Applicators must consider the effects of nozzle orientation and flight speed when determining droplet size.
- Applicators are required to use upwind swath displacement.
- The boom length must not exceed 60% of the wingspan or 90% of the rotor blade diameter to reduce spray drift.
- Applications with wind speeds less than 3 mph and with wind speeds greater than 10 mph are prohibited.
- Applications into temperature inversions are prohibited.

## **Ground Boom Applications**

- Applicators are required to use a nozzle height below
   4 feet above the ground or plant canopy and coarse or coarser droplet size (ASABE S572) or, if using a spinning atomizer nozzle, applicators are required to use a volume mean diameter (VMD) of 385 microns or greater.
- Applications with wind speeds greater than 10 mph are prohibited.
- Applications into temperature inversions are prohibited.

#### Wind Erosion

Avoid treating powdery, dry or light sandy soils when conditions are favorable for wind erosion. Under these conditions, the soil surface should first be settled by rainfall or irrigation.

## **Spray Volume**

- Aerial Application Use 2 or more gallons of water per acre. The actual minimum spray volume per acre is determined by the spray equipment used. Use adequate spray volume to provide accurate and uniform distribution of spray particles over the treated area and to avoid spray drift.
- Ground Application (Broadcast) Use 5 or more gallons of water per acre. The actual minimum spray volume per acre is determined by the spray equipment used. Use adequate spray volume to provide accurate and uniform distribution of spray particles over the treated area and to avoid spray drift.

## **Mixing Instructions**

To mix other herbicides or other spray tank components with **Chopper<sup>®</sup> Gen2<sup>™</sup> herbicide**, while agitating, add components in the following order and thoroughly mix after adding each component:

- 1. Fill spray tank 1/2 to 3/4 full with clean water.
- Add wettable powders, dispersible granules (Oust<sup>®</sup> XP herbicide, Oust<sup>®</sup> Extra herbicide, Oustar<sup>®</sup> herbicide, Escort<sup>®</sup> herbicide), dry flowable or liquid flowable formulations.
- 3. Add MSO and emulsifiable concentrates (EC).
- 4. Add **Chopper Gen2** and other aqueous solution products (glyphosate).
- 5. While agitating, fill remainder of spray tank with water.

#### **Invert Emulsions**

**Chopper Gen2** can be applied as an invert emulsion carrier. The carrier is a thick invert water-in-oil spray emulsion designed to minimize spray drift and spray runoff, resulting in more herbicide on the target foliage. The spray emulsion may be formed in a single tank (batch mixing) or injected (in-line mixing). Consult the invert chemical label for proper mixing directions. **DO NOT** exceed 3 quarts per acre of **Chopper Gen2**.

#### **Stump and Cut-stem Treatments**

**Chopper Gen2** may be used to control undesirable woody vegetation in forest management by applying a solution of the herbicide in water to the cambium area of freshly cut stump surfaces or to cuts on the stem of the target woody vegetation. Applications can be made at any time of the year except during periods of heavy sap flow in the spring. Tree injection and cut-stem treatments are most effective in late summer and early fall.

## Mixing

**Chopper Gen2** may be mixed as either a concentrated or dilute solution for stump and cut-stem treatments. The dilute solution may be used for applications to the surface of the stump or to cuts on the stem of the target woody vegetation. Concentrated solutions may be used for applications to cuts on the stem. Use of the concentrated solution permits application to fewer cuts on the stem, especially for large diameter trees.

Follow the application instructions to determine proper application techniques for each type of solution.

## **Application with Dilute Solutions**

To prepare a dilute solution, mix 8 to 12 fluid ounces of **Chopper Gen2** with one gallon of water.

#### **Cut-stump Treatments**

Spray or brush the solution onto the cambium area of the freshly cut stump surface. Ensure that the solution thoroughly wets the entire cambium area (the wood next to the bark of the stump).

## **Tree-injection Treatments**

Using standard injection equipment, apply 1 mL of solution at each injection site around the tree with no more than 1-inch intervals between cut edges. Ensure that the injector completely penetrates the bark at each injection site.

## Frill or Girdle Treatments

Using a hatchet, machete, or similar device, make cuts through the bark at intervals around the tree with no more than 2-inch intervals between cut edges. Spray or brush the solution into each cut until thoroughly wet.

## Application with Concentrated Solutions

To prepare a concentrated solution, use undiluted product or mix 2 quarts of **Chopper<sup>®</sup> Gen2<sup>™</sup> herbicide** with no more than 1 quart of water.

## **Tree-injection Treatments**

Using standard injection equipment, apply 1 mL of solution at each injection site. Make at least one injection cut for every three inches of diameter at breast height (dbh) on the target tree. For example, a three-inch dbh tree will receive 1 injection cut, and a six-inch dbh tree will receive 2 injection cuts. On trees requiring more than one injection site, place the injection cuts at approximately equal intervals around the tree.

## **Hack-and-Squirt Treatments**

Using a hatchet or similar device, make cuts at a downward angle completely through the bark and cambium at approximately equal intervals around the tree. Make at least one cut for every three inches of diameter at breast height (dbh) on the target tree. For example, a three-inch dbh tree will receive 1 cut and a six-inch dbh tree will receive 2 cuts. Using a squirt bottle, syringe, or similar device, apply 1 mL of the concentrated mix into each cut, ensuring that the solution does not run out of the cut.

**NOTE:** Injury may occur to nontarget or desirable woody plants if they extend from the same root system or their root systems are grafted to those of the treated tree.

## **Conifer Site Preparation Treatments**

**Chopper Gen2** may be used to control labeled grasses, broadleaf weeds, vines and brambles, and woody brush and trees on forest sites in advance of regeneration for the following conifer crop species:

Common Name	Scientific Name	Rate (fl ozs/A)
Loblolly pine	Pinus taeda	
Loblolly x pitch hybrid	n/a	
Longleaf pine	Pinus palustris	32 to 64
Shortleaf pine	Pinus echinata	02 10 04
Slash pine	Pinus elliottii	
Virginia pine	Pinus virginiana	
Coast redwood	Sequoia sempervirens	
Douglas fir	Pseudotsuga menziesii	
Incense cedar	Libocedrus decurrens	24 to 48
Larch	<i>Larix</i> spp.	
Western hemlock	Tsuga heterophylla	
California red fir	Abies magnifica	24 to 40
California white fir	Abies concolor	24 10 40
Jack pine	Pinus banksiana	
Lodgepole pine	Pinus contorta	
Pitch pine	Pinus rigida	
Ponderosa pine	Pinus ponderosa	
Red pine <sup>2</sup>	Pinus resinosa	24 to 32
Sugar pine	Pinus lambertiana	24 10 52
White pine	Pinus strobus	
Black spruce <sup>1</sup>	Picea mariana	
Red spruce	Picea rubens	
White spruce <sup>1</sup>	Picea glauca	

<sup>1</sup>**DO NOT** plant seedlings of black spruce (*Picea mariana*) or white spruce (*Picea glauca*) on sites that have been site-prepared with a broadcast application of **Chopper Gen2** or into the treated zone of spot or banded site preparation applications for three months following treatment or injury may occur.

<sup>2</sup>**DO NOT** plant seedlings of red pine (*Pinus resinosa*) on sites that have been site-prepared with a broadcast application of **Chopper Gen2** or into the treated zone of spot or banded site preparation applications for 6 months following treatment or injury may occur.

Use the specified rate of **Chopper Gen2** per acre applied as a broadcast foliar spray for long-term control of labeled woody plants and residual control of herbaceous weeds. Within 4 to 6 weeks of treatment, grasses and other herbaceous weeds will be controlled and may provide fuel to facilitate a site preparation burn, if desired, to control conifers or other species tolerant to the herbicide.

## Mixing and Application Instructions for Site Preparation

Apply the specified rate of **Chopper® Gen2™ herbicide** per acre in 5 to 20 gallons total spray carrier for helicopter applications or 5 to 40 gallons total spray carrier for mechanical or backpack ground spray applications. Use the higher label rates of **Chopper Gen2** and higher spray volumes when controlling particularly dense or multilayered canopies of hardwood stands or difficult-to-control species. Make applications during the growing season beginning in the spring after full leaf expansion of the target weed or brush has occurred, and complete applications before leaf drop in the fall.

Tank mixes may be necessary for chemical control of conifers and other species tolerant to **Chopper Gen2** in certain cases. Observe all precautions and restrictions on the product labels. Always follow the most restrictive label. Combinations with other products labeled for forest site preparation may kill certain plants such as legumes and blackberry, which are desirable for wildlife habitat.

## **Helicopter Spray Equipment**

All precautions should be taken to minimize or eliminate spray drift. **DO NOT** make applications under gusty conditions. The use of controlled droplet booms and nozzle configurations is recommended.

**IMPORTANT: DO NOT** make applications by fixed-wing aircraft. Maintain adequate buffer zones. Thoroughly clean application and mixing equipment, including landing gear, immediately after use. Prolonged exposure of this product to uncoated steel (except stainless steel) surfaces may result in corrosion and failure of the exposed part.

## **Hardwood Site Preparation Treatments**

For site preparation prior to planting hardwood species in the Southeast and Gulf Coast states (Virginia to Texas), use **Chopper Gen2** at a rate of 32 fl ozs per acre and spray before the end of August. **DO NOT** plant hardwood seedlings before January of the year following site preparation or injury may occur.

## Herbaceous Weed Control in Loblolly Pine

Use **Chopper Gen2** for selective weeding in loblolly pine at 12 to 20 fl ozs/A.

**Chopper Gen2** may be applied as a broadcast treatment, banded over tree rows, or as a directed spray for release of young conifers from herbaceous weeds. To prevent possibility of conifer injury, **DO NOT** apply **Chopper Gen2** when conifers are under stress from drought, diseases, animal or winter injury, planting shock, or other stresses reducing conifer vigor. Broadcast applications may be made by helicopter, ground, or backpack sprayer. For difficult-to-control weeds, use the higher labeled rates. Some minor conifer growth inhibition may be observed when herbaceous weed control treatments are made during periods of active conifer growth. **Chopper Gen2** may also be applied using backpack or handheld sprayers to control herbaceous weeds around individual conifer seedlings. Mix 0.8 to 1.2 fl ozs **Chopper Gen2** per gallon of water. Direct the spray to the weeds and minimize the amount applied to conifer foliage for best conifer tolerance. **DO NOT** exceed maximum labeled rates per acre for listed crop species.

**Chopper Gen2** may be tank mixed with **Oust® XP herbicide** to broaden the spectrum of weeds controlled. For loblolly pine, apply 8.0 to 12.0 fl ozs **Chopper Gen2** plus 1.0 to 2.0 ozs **Oust XP** (product) per acre.

#### **Loblolly Pine Release Treatments**

**Chopper Gen2** may be applied as a broadcast or directed spray application for suppression of labeled brush, tree, and herbaceous weed species. Directed spray applications may be made with low-volume applications in conifer stands of all ages by targeting the unwanted vegetation and avoiding direct application to the conifer. Ensure that maximum labeled rate per acre is not exceeded.

Apply **Chopper Gen2** at 24.0 to 32.0 fl ozs/A when making broadcast applications with helicopter or ground spray equipment. Refer to mixing and application instructions for proper spray volumes.

Use the higher label rates of **Chopper Gen2** when controlling particularly dense stands or difficult-to-control species.

Some minor conifer growth inhibition may be observed when release treatments are made during periods of active conifer growth. To minimize potential conifer height growth inhibition, broadcast release treatments may be made late in the growing season. To prevent possibility of conifer injury, **DO NOT** apply **Chopper Gen2** when conifers are under stress from drought, diseases, animal or winter injury, or other stresses reducing conifer vigor.

**Chopper Gen2** may be used to release loblolly pine seedlings during the first growing season following planting or for one-year-old natural loblolly pine regeneration. For one-year-old loblolly pine release, apply 24.0 to 32.0 fl ozs/A of **Chopper Gen2** after July 15. The use of rates below 24.0 fl ozs/A is intended for hardwood growth suppression; some hardwood resprouting should be expected.

#### Directed Foliar Applications for Conifer Release

**Chopper Gen2** may be applied as a directed spray using water or oil emulsion carrier for control and suppression of labeled brush and weed species. Directed spray applications may be made using low carrier volumes (generally 10 gallons total spray per acre or less) in labeled conifer stands of all ages by targeting the unwanted vegetation and avoiding direct application to the conifer. **DO NOT** exceed maximum labeled rates per acre for listed conifer species.

# Use directed foliar applications of Chopper<sup>®</sup> Gen2<sup>™</sup> herbicide for release of the following conifers from hardwood competition:

Common Name	Scientific Name	Rate (fl ozs/A)
Loblolly pine	Pinus taeda	
Loblolly x pitch hybrid	n/a	24 to 40
Virginia pine	Pinus virginiana	
Longleaf pine	Pinus palustris	
Pitch pine	Pinus rigida	24 to 32
Shortleaf pine	Pinus echinata	24 10 52
Slash pine	Pinus elliottii	
Coast redwood	Sequoia sempervirens	
Incense cedar	Libocedrus decurrens	16 to 32
White pine	Pinus strobus	
Douglas fir	Pseudotsuga menziesii	16 to 24
Lodgepole pine	Pinus contorta	10 10 24
Black spruce	Picea mariana	
Jack pine	Pinus banksiana	12 to 24
Red spruce	Picea rubens	12 10 24
White spruce	Picea glauca	

For applications directed to the foliage of undesirable brush, mix 2% to 5% **Chopper Gen2** in water. Apply the spray solution or emulsion to at least 2/3 of each hardwood crown using backpack sprayers or handheld equipment. **DO NOT** spray to the point of runoff and avoid spraying the conifers for best results. For low-volume foliar applications to control big leaf maple, use a 5% by volume **Chopper Gen2** solution or emulsion.

Some minor conifer growth inhibition may be observed when release treatments are made during periods of active conifer growth. To minimize potential conifer height growth inhibition, release treatments may be made late in the growing season after formation of final conifer resting buds. To prevent possibility of conifer injury, **DO NOT** apply **Chopper Gen2** when conifers are under stress from drought, diseases, animal or winter injury, or other stresses reducing conifer vigor.

Injury may occur to nontarget or desirable hardwoods if they extend from the same root system as treated stems, or their root systems are grafted to those of the treated tree, or if their roots extend into the soil near treated trees.

## Spray Solution Mixing Guide for Directed Foliar Applications

Prepared Spray	Desired Concentration (fluid volume)			
Solution	2%	3%	4%	5%
(gallons)		er Gen2		
1	2.6 fl ozs	3.8 fl ozs	5.1 fl ozs	6.4 fl ozs
3	7.7 fl ozs	11.5 fl ozs	15.4 fl ozs	19.2 fl ozs
4	10.2 fl ozs	15.4 fl ozs	20.5 fl ozs	25.6 fl ozs
5	12.8 fl ozs	19.2 fl ozs	25.6 fl ozs	32.0 fl ozs
50	1.0 gallon	1.5 gallons	2.0 gallons	2.5 gallons
100	2.0 gallons	3.0 gallons	4.0 gallons	5.0 gallons

## Bag and Broadcast Applications for Conifer Release

In Douglas fir and Ponderosa pine stands, broadcast applications of **Chopper Gen2** up to 32.0 fl ozs per acre are permissible when the trees are covered by bags prior to the application. The bags must prevent the spray mix from contacting the conifer foliage. On sites with coarsetexture soils (e.g. decomposed granite, pumice, sandy or rocky sites) or low levels of soil organic matter (generally 5% or less), significant conifer growth inhibition and mortality is possible. **DO NOT** use this treatment on these types of sites if conifer growth inhibition and mortality cannot be tolerated.

## Late Rotation Vegetation Control in Western Conifers

In California, the Pacific Northwest and inland Northwest, broadcast aerial applications of **Chopper Gen2** up to 48.0 fl ozs per acre are permissible in conifer stands that are targeted for harvesting the year following treatment. Use a minimum spray volume of 15 gallons per acre. Significant conifer injury or mortality must be expected. **DO NOT** use this treatment if conifer injury or mortality cannot be tolerated.

## Understory Broadcast Applications for Mid-rotation Release

**Chopper Gen2** may be applied as a broadcast application below the conifer canopy for control and suppression of labeled brush and tree species. Ground spray machinery or handheld equipment may be used to broadcast **Chopper Gen2** in water or oil emulsion carrier below the crop tree canopy to minimize spray contact by the live crown of crop trees.

## DO NOT exceed maximum labeled rates per acre for listed crop species.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Rate (fl ozs/A)
Loblolly pine	Pinus taeda	
Loblolly x pitch hybrid	n/a	64
Virginia pine	Pinus virginiana	
Longleaf pine	Pinus palustris	
Pitch pine	Pinus rigida	32
Shortleaf pine	Pinus echinata	52
Slash pine	Pinus elliottii	

## Weeds Controlled

**Chopper<sup>®</sup> Gen2<sup>™</sup> herbicide** will provide postemergence control and some residual control of the following target vegetation species. Degree of control is both species and rate dependent.

#### Grasses

The species of annual and perennial grasses controlled by **Chopper Gen2** include the following:

Common Name	Scientific Name
Annual bluegrass	Poa annua
Bahiagrass	Paspalum notatum
Barnyardgrass	Echinochloa crus-galli
Beardgrass	Andropogon spp.
Bermudagrass	Cynodon dactylon
Big bluestem	Andropogon gerardii
Broadleaf signalgrass	Brachiaria platyphylla
Canada bluegrass	Poa compressa
Cattail	Typha spp.
Cheat	Bromus secalinus
Cogongrass <sup>1</sup>	Imperata cylindrica
Crabgrass	Digitaria spp.
Crowfootgrass	Dactyloctenium aegyptium
Dallisgrass	Paspalum dilatatum
Downy brome	Bromus tectorum
Fall panicum	Panicum dichotomiflorum
Feathertop	Pennisetum villosum
Fescue	Festuca spp.
Foxtail	Setaria spp.
Giant reed	Arundo donax
Goosegrass	Eleusine indica
Guineagrass	Panicum maximum
Italian ryegrass	Lolium multiflorum
Itchgrass	Rottboellia exaltata

#### Weeds Controlled (continued)

#### Grasses (continued)

Common Name	Scientific Name
Johnsongrass	Sorghum halepense
Junglerice	Echinochloa colonum
Kentucky bluegrass	Poa pratensis
Lovegrass	Eragrostis spp.
Orchardgrass	Dactylis glomerata
Panicum spp.	Panicum spp.
Paragrass	Brachiaria mutica
Phragmites	Phragmites australis
Pinegrass <sup>2</sup>	Calamagrostis rubescens
Prairie cordgrass	Spartina pectinata
Prairie threeawn	Aristida oligantha
Quackgrass	Agropyron repens
Reed canary grass	Phalaris arundinacea
Saltgrass	Distichlis stricta
Sand dropseed	Sporobolus cryptandrus
Sandbur	Cenchrus spp.
Smooth brome	Bromus inermis
Sprangletop	Leptochloa spp.
Timothy	Phleum pratense
Torpedograss	Panicum repens
Vaseygrass	Paspalum urvillei
Wild barley	Hordeum spp.
Wild oats	Avena fatua
Wirestem muhly	Muhlenbergia frondosa
Witchgrass	Panicum capillare
Woolly cupgrass	Eriochloa villosa

<sup>1</sup> Use minimum of 48.0 fl ozs per acre.

<sup>2</sup> **Chopper Gen2** is not registered for use on pinegrass in California.

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## **Broadleaf Weeds**

The species of annual and perennial broadleaf weeds controlled by **Chopper<sup>®</sup> Gen2<sup>™</sup> herbicide** include the following:

Common Name	Scientific Name
Arrowwood	Pluchea sericea
Broom snakeweed	Gutierrezia sarothrae
Bull thistle	Cirsium vulgare
Burclover	Medicago spp.
Burdock	Arctium spp.
Camphorweed	Heterotheca subaxillaris
Carolina geranium	Geranium carolinianum
Carpetweed	Mullugo verticillata
Chickweed, common	Stellaria media
Chickweed, mouseear	Cerastium vulgatum
Clover	Trifolium spp.
Cocklebur	Xanthium strumarium
Common ragweed	Ambrosia artemisiifolia
Cudweed	Gnaphalium spp.
Dandelion	Taraxacum officinale
Desert camelthorn	Alhagi pseudalhagi
Diffuse knapweed	Centaurea diffusa
Dock	Rumex spp.
Dogfennel	Eupatorium capillifolium
Fiddleneck	Amsinckia intermedia
Filaree	Erodium spp.
Fleabane	Erigeron spp.
Giant ragweed	Ambrosia trifida
Goldenrod	Solidago spp.
Gray rabbitbrush	Chrysothamnus nauseosus
Henbit	Lamium amplexicaule
Hoary vervain	Verbena stricta
Horseweed	Conyza canadensis
Indian mustard	Brassica juncea
Japanese bamboo/knotweed	Polygonum cuspidatum
Knotweed, prostrate	Polygonum aviculare
Kochia	Kochia scoparia
Lambsquarters	Chenopodium album
Little mallow	Malva parviflora
Milkweed	Asclepias spp.
Miner's lettuce	Montia perfoliata
Mullein	Verbascum spp.
Nettleleaf goosefoot	Chenopodium murale
Oxeye daisy	Chrysanthemum leucanthemum
Pepperweed	Lepidium spp.

## Weeds Controlled (continued)

## Broadleaf Weeds (continued)

Common Name	Scientific Name
Pigweed	Amaranthus spp.
Plantain	Plantago spp.
Pokeweed	Phytolacca americana
Primrose	Oenothera kunthiana
Puncturevine	Tribulus terrestris
Purple loosestrife	Lythrum salicaria
Purslane	Portulaca spp.
Pusley, Florida	Richardia scabra
Rocket, London	Sisymbrium irio
Rush skeletonweed	Chondrilla juncea
Russian knapweed	Centaurea repens
Russian thistle	Salsola kali
Saltbush	Atriplex spp.
Shepherdspurse	Capsella bursa-pastoris
Silverleaf nightshade	Solanum elaeagnifolium
Smartweed	Polygonum spp.
Sorrell	Rumex spp.
Sowthistle	Sonchus spp.
Spurge, annual	Euphorbia spp.
Stinging nettle	Urtica dioica
Sunflower	Helianthus spp.
Sweet clover	<i>Melilotus</i> spp.
Tansymustard	Descurainia pinnata
Texas thistle	Cirsium texanum
Velvetleaf	Abutilon theophrasti
Western ragweed	Ambrosia psilostachya
Wild carrot	Daucus carota
Wild lettuce	Lactuca spp.
Wild parsnip	Pastinaca sativa
Wild turnip	Brassica campestris
Woollyleaf bursage	Ambrosia grayi
Yellow starthistle	Centaurea solstitialis
Yellow woodsorrel	Oxalis stricta

#### Weeds Controlled (continued)

## Vines and Brambles

The species of vines and brambles controlled by **Chopper<sup>®</sup> Gen2<sup>™</sup> herbicide** include the following:

Common Name	Scientific Name	
Field bindweed	Convolvulus arvensis	
Hedge bindweed	Calystegia sepium	
Honeysuckle <sup>1</sup>	Lonicera spp.	
Morningglory	<i>Ipomoea</i> spp.	
Poison ivy	Rhus radicans	
Redvine	Brunnichia cirrhosa	
Trumpet creeper	Campsis radicans	
Virginia creeper	Parthenocissus quinquefolia	
Wild buckwheat	Polygonum convolvulus	
Wild grape	Vitis spp.	
Wild rose <sup>1</sup> including Multiflora rose Macartney rose	Rosa spp. Rosa multiflora Rosa bracteata	

<sup>1</sup> Use higher labeled rates.

## **Woody Brush and Trees**

The species of woody brush and trees controlled by **Chopper Gen2** include the following:

Common Name	Scientific Name	
Alder	Alnus spp.	
American beech	Fagus grandifolia	
Ash <sup>1</sup>	Fraxinus spp.	
Aspen	Populus spp.	
Autumn olive	Elaeagnus umbellata	
Bald cypress⁴	Taxodium distichum	
Bigleaf maple <sup>1</sup>	Acer macrophyllum	
Birch	Betula spp.	
Black oak	Quercus kelloggii	
Blackgum²	Nyssa sylvatica	
Boxelder	Acer negundo	
Brazilian peppertree	Schinus terebinthifolius	
Ceanothis	Ceanothis spp.	
Cherry <sup>1,2</sup>	Prunus spp.	
Chinaberry	Melia azedarach	
Chinese tallow-tree	Sapium sebiferum	
Chinquapin⁴	Castanopsis chrysophylla	
Cottonwood	Populus spp.	
Cypress	Taxodium spp.	
Dogwood <sup>1</sup>	Cornus spp.	
Eucalyptus	Eucalyptus spp.	
Hawthorn	Crataegus spp.	
Hickory <sup>1</sup>	Carya spp.	

#### Weeds Controlled (continued)

## Woody Brush and Trees (continued)

Common Name	Scientific Name
Holly <sup>1,4,5</sup>	<i>llex</i> spp.
including Gallberry <sup>4,5</sup>	llex glabra
Tall gallberry <sup>4,5</sup>	llex coriacea
Yaupon <sup>4,5</sup>	llex vomitoria
Huckleberry	Gaylussacia spp.
Lyonia spp.	
including Fetterbush	Lyonia lucida
Staggerbush	Lyonia mariana
Madrone	Arbutus menziesii
Manzanita, greenleaf⁴	Arctostaphylos patula
Maple	Acer spp.
Melaleuca	Melaleuca quinquenervia
Mulberry <sup>1,3</sup>	Morus spp.
Oak <sup>1,3</sup>	<i>Quercus</i> spp.
Persimmon <sup>2</sup>	Diospyros virginiana
Poison oak	Rhus diversiloba
Popcorn tree	Sapium sebiferum
Poplar <sup>2</sup>	Populus spp.
Privet	Ligustrum vulgare
Red alder	Alnus rubra
Red maple	Acer rubrum
Saltcedar	Tamarix pentandra
Sassafras	Sassafras albidum
Sourwood <sup>2</sup>	Oxydendrum arboreum
Sumac	Rhus spp.
Sweetgum	Liquidambar styraciflua
Sycamore	Platanus occidentalis
Tanoak¹,₄	Lithocarpus densiflorus
Titi <sup>1,4,5</sup>	Cyrilla racemiflora
Tree of heaven	Ailanthus altissima
Vaccinium spp.	
including Blueberry	<i>Vaccinium</i> spp.
Sparkleberry	Vaccinium arboreum
Waxmyrtle⁴	Myrica californica
	Myrica cerifera
Willow	Salix spp.
Yellow poplar <sup>1</sup>	Liriodendron tulipifera

<sup>1</sup> Use higher labeled rates.

<sup>2</sup> Best control with applications prior to formation of fall leaf color

<sup>3</sup> The degree of control may be species dependent.

<sup>4</sup> Oil emulsion carrier is recommended.

<sup>5</sup> Suppression only

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