

# **Environmental weed risk assessment**

# Indian bluegrass (Bothriochloa pertusa)

Indian bluegrass is a stoloniferous, mat-forming, tropical (C4) perennial grass.

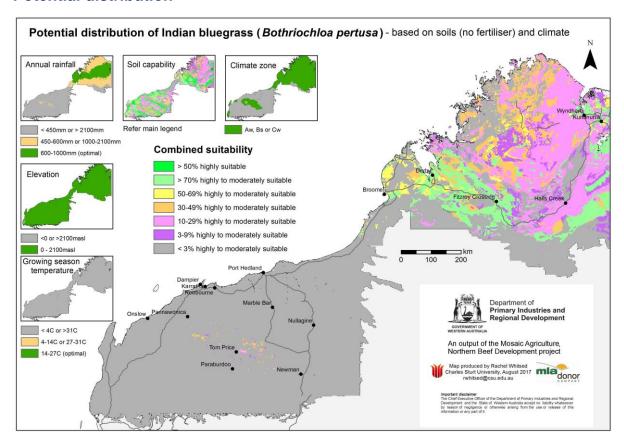


**Figure 1** Distribution of Indian bluegrass (*Bothriochloa pertusa*) in Australia (Source: 'The Australasian Virtual Herbarium')

Invasiveness and Impacts scores by Rod Randall

Invasiveness score	Impacts score	
7.0	4.5	

### **Potential distribution**



Region	Area of suitable soils and climate (million ha)	Potential distribution score	
Kimberley (>450mm AAR*)	8.1Mha	7.0	
Kimberley (<450mm AAR)	0	0.5	
Pilbara (>450mm AAR)	0.05Mha	1.0	
Pilbara (<450mm AAR)	0	0.5	
Gascoyne – Goldfields	0	0.5	

<sup>\*</sup>AAR – Average annual rainfall

### Overall weed risk assessment

Region	WRA calculation*	Weed risk score	WRA rating
Kimberley (>450mm AAR)	7.0 x 4.5 x 7.0	220.5	High
Kimberley (<450mm AAR)	7.0 x 4.5 x 0.5	15.8	Negligible-low
Pilbara (>450mm AAR)	7.0 x 4.5 x 1.0	31.5	Negligible-low
Pilbara (<450mm AAR)	7.0 x 4.5 x 0.5	15.8	Negligible-low
Gascoyne – Goldfields	7.0 x 4.5 x 0.5	15.8	Negligible-low

<sup>\*</sup> Invasiveness (0-10) x Impacts (0-10) x Potential Distribution (0-10) = Weed risk score (0-1000)

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