

# WANTED:

## DAME'S ROCKET

### DEAD (NOT ALIVE!)

**Aliases:** Dame Rocket, Mother-of-the-evening, Dame's Violet, Violet Sweet Rocket

#### Why is it bad?

- ✓ Each plant can produce up to 20,000 seeds per year!
- ✓ Invasive alien species... not native to North America!
- ✓ Has no natural predators or diseases!
- ✓ Crowds out desirable native plants!
- ✓ Changes riparian areas (along creeks, wetlands, etc.)



Photo courtesy: Debbie Nordstrom

#### It causes poor water quality...how?

- ✓ Inadequate at filtering pollution out of water
- ✓ Increases soil erosion
- ✓ Poor wildlife habitat



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#### What can you do about it?

- ✓ Avoid "wildflower" seed mixes with Dame's Rocket listed
- ✓ Clip off flowering heads or entire flowering plant near the ground before seed set
- ✓ Pull entire plant, bag for landfilling or burning
- ✓ Report patches to the Swift Current Creek Watershed Stewards!



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For more information on this and other invasive alien plant species, or to REPORT plant communities, please contact:



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