

# THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Agricultural Resources, under its authority pursuant to M.G.L. c. 128, §27 which requires the Commissioner of MDAR to hold a public hearing when prohibiting the delivery within the commonwealth nursery stock, fruits, plants, and parts thereof from outside the commonwealth, will hold a public hearing to propose restricting the import, sale or propagation of the following plants plants:

- *Alnus glutinosa* (Black Alder), designated as Invasive
- *Miscanthus sinensis* (Chinese Silvergrass, Eulalia), designated as Invasive
- *Rhodotypos scandens* (Jetbead; White Kerria; Jetberry bush; Black Jetbead), designated as Likely Invasive

One public hearing will be held on the following date and time:

**Tuesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 at 1:00 pm**

**Topic:** Additions to Massachusetts Prohibited Plant List

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Testimony may be presented orally at the virtual hearing or in writing. Written comments will be accepted until 5:00 P.M. on Friday, July 25, 2025. Written testimony can be submitted by e-mail to [taryn.lascola@mass.gov](mailto:taryn.lascola@mass.gov), or by mail to Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources, 225 Turnpike Road, Southborough MA 01772 Attn: Taryn LaScola.

A summary of the evaluation for each species is available here:

- [\*Alnus glutinosa\*](#)
- [\*Miscanthus sinensis\* and \*Rhodotypos scandens\*](#)

This information may also be obtained by contacting Taryn LaScola ([taryn.lascola@mass.gov](mailto:taryn.lascola@mass.gov) or 617-626-1776). For special accommodations for this event, or to obtain this information in an alternative format, contact the ADA coordinator, Gabriella Knight, at 857-268-0629.