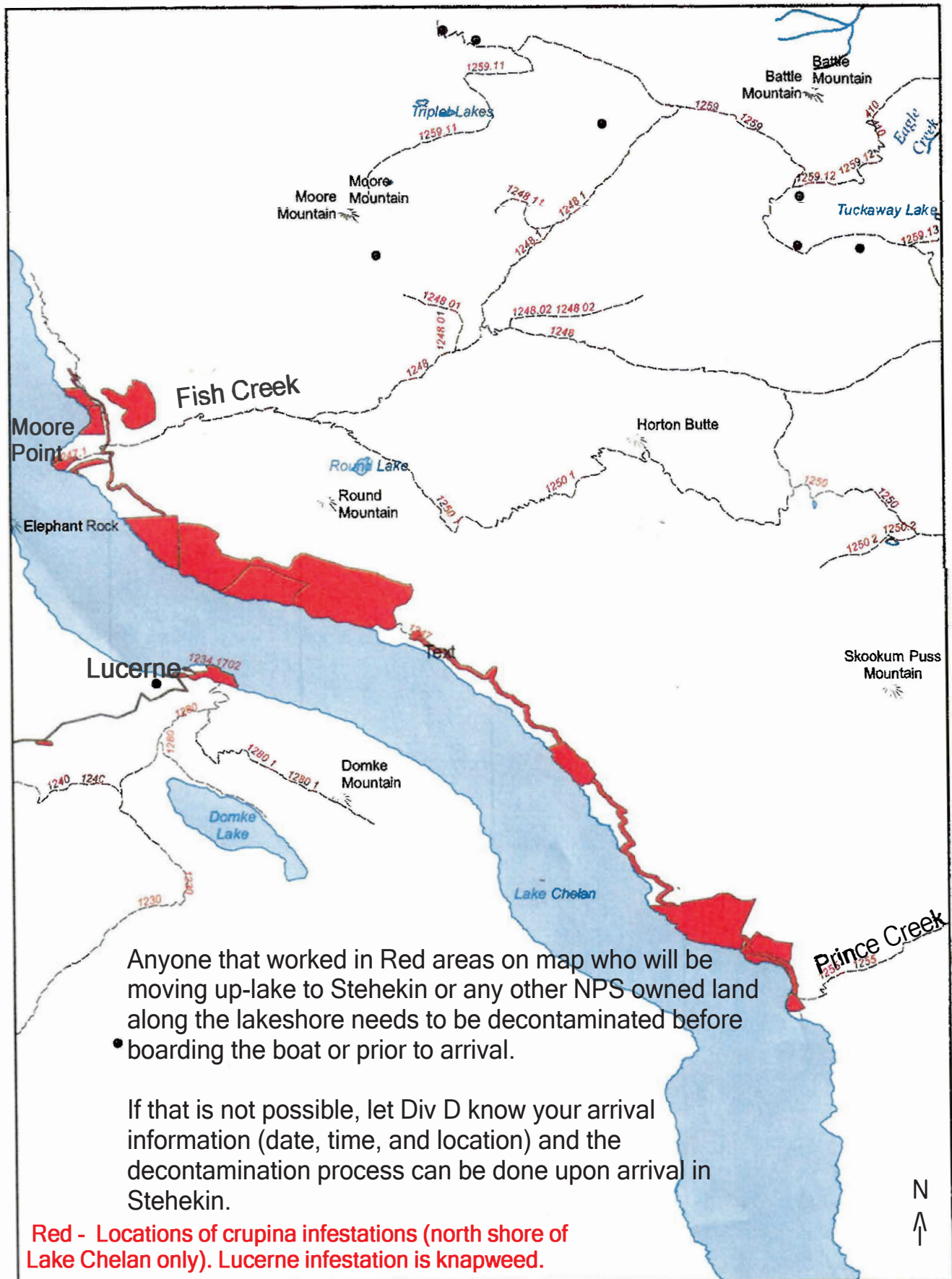


Crupina Infestation





COMMON CRUPINA (*Crupina vulgaris*)

*A fall germinating, open branched, annual, 1-3 feet tall, native to the Mediterranean region.

*The fall rosette leaves are obovate, and entire, with a purplish midrib; older rosette leaves are pinnately to bipinnately lobed; stem leaves are alternate, lace-like, sessile and reduced as you move up the stem.

*Flower heads are narrow, and cylindric, with pink, lavender, to purple ray flowers.

*Seeds have stiff, dark, barbed, bristles that resemble a fishing fly.



Decontamination Process*:

- 1) A READ or REAF will meet you upon arrival for briefing and to hand out boot brushes.
- 2) Crews or single resource will stand on tarp and use boot brushes to brush off clothing, gear, and anything else that was in the field.
 - a) Please empty line gear and flip over bags to dump any potential seeds out onto tarp.
 - b) Brush boots, exterior of clothing (check velcro areas) and bags and gear (saw covers, chaps, etc) to ensure no seeds are adhering to the exterior.

The process should only take about five minutes.

***Thank you for your patience in helping prevent the spread of crupina.**