

# NEW WEED INCURSION REPORT

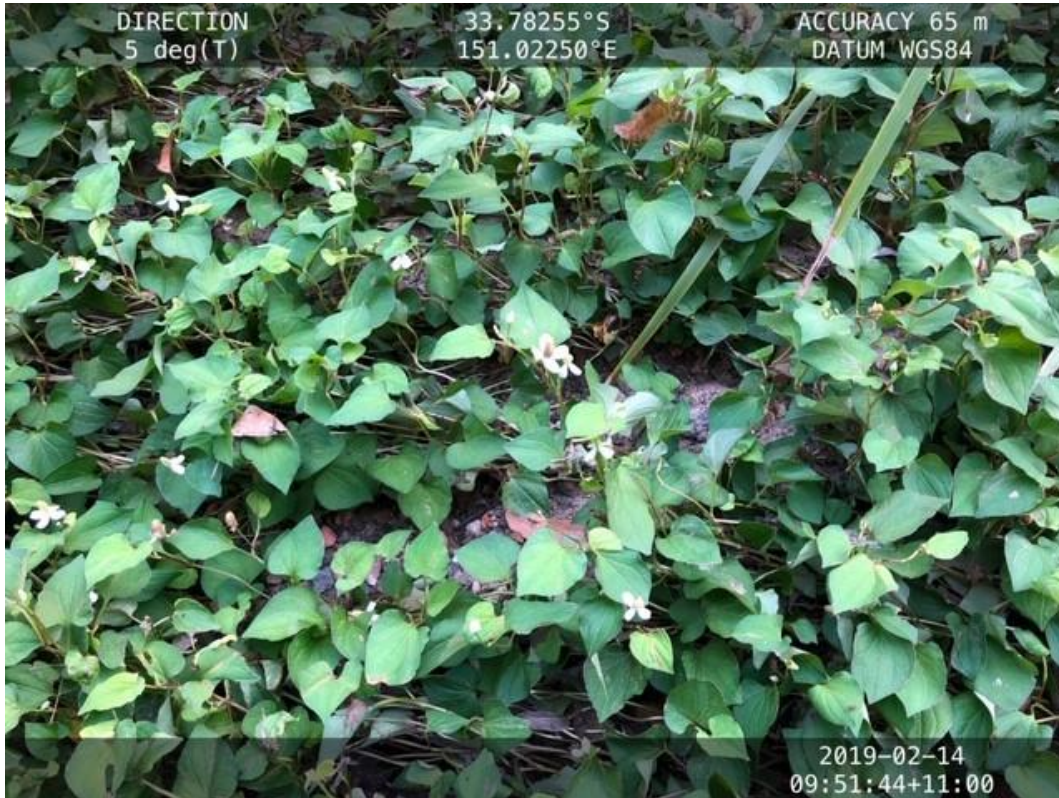
## *Houttuynia cordata*, North Rocks (City of Parramatta).

**Date:** 7 May 2019

**Status of weed in the GS RSWMP:** N/A

**Weed Risk Assessment Outcome:** ERADICATE (WRA entered into WIDX)

<b>Date weed incursion discovered</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> March 2019.
<b>Address and land tenure of infestation site</b>	Hunts Creek spanning from The Kings School, North Rocks through to Bettington Road, Oatlands.
<b>Common name</b>	Chameleon Plant
<b>Scientific name</b>	<i>Houttuynia cordata</i>
<b>Size of infestation</b>	290m - 10m <sup>2</sup> across 7 separate patches
<b>No. of plants</b>	7+
<b>Estimated density</b>	<0.1%
<b>Botanical Identification Service enquiry No.</b>	20951. First record for Greater Sydney.
<b>Probable incursion pathway</b>	Water. Upstream source. Plant edible and ornamental and still available through nursery industry.
<b>Precautionary measures taken to prevent spread</b>	Early Treatment, Community Education (letterbox drop & bushcare newsletter), Yard searches of adjacent properties.
<b>Weed control method applied or planned</b>	Manual removal of biomass and root material. All biomass is to be incinerated on site or disposed of at nearest green waste facility. Follow up spot spray of germinating/regrowing individuals to occur once every 4 weeks.
<b>Planned monitoring and maintenance regime</b>	151 private properties and 1 school adjacent to creek to be inspected.
<b>Local Control Authority</b>	City of Parramatta
<b>Authorised officer responsible</b>	Nicola Trulock (not authorised)
<b>Additional notes</b>	Declared invasive in New Zealand. Reproduces vegetatively. Tolerates wide range of conditions.



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**Approved By:** Nicola Dixon, Regional Weed Coordinator, HRCC.