Comments in Response to the Simazine Risk Assessment and Risk Reduction Options; Notice of Availability: Golf Courses and Macadamia Nuts in Hawaii

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Golf Courses

Information obtained from golf course superintendents.

The most important use for simazine on a small percentage of golf courses in Hawai'i is for control of goosegrass, specifically goosegrass which is large or difficult to kill. Some of this goosegrass is resistant to the more commonly-used chemical, metribuzin. This use occurs only sporadically.

For this use, 1 pound per acre rate is insufficient to achieve control. **Two pounds per acr**e is needed for control. Simazine may also be used to enhance weed control by MSMA. Control may be achieved by the simazine application followed by application of MSMA approximately ten days later.

Simazine applications are applied to areas well away from the areas in play, and, also, well away from any bodies of water.

Where simazine is used, it is often part of a rotational program. This is an important use for resistance management.

Macadamia Nuts

Information obtained from growers and the Cooperative Extension Service

Simazine is not used in macadamia nut production in Hawai'i.

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