COMMON NAME:

FOUNTAIN GRASS

SCIENTIFIC NAME:

PENNISETUM SETACEUM

ALSO CALLED: BUNCH GRASS

FLOWER COLOR: GREEN BUT SEEDLING TURN PINK OR PURPLE

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT: ON LONG DENSE SPIKES

FLOWERING TIME: MARCH TO JULY LEAVES: LONG AND THIN AND NARROW

NORMAL SIZE: 2' TO 3'

NORMAL ELEVATION: UP TO 7000'

HABITATION: ANY DISTURBED AREAS OR ROADSIDES

ABUNDANCE: EXTREMELY WIDESPREAD

NOTABLE DETAILS: SEED STALKS PRODUCES LARGE MOUNDS OF PINK OR PURPLE SEED SPIKES WHICH ARE USED AS ORNAMENTALS BUT CONTINUE TO ESCAPE

SPECIAL INTEREST: IT IS SAID TO BE A WORRY TO MANY STATES AND IN HAWAII IT HAS OVERCOME THE STATE