Tree of Heaven is a deciduous tree from China that grows along waterways, roadsides and agricultural areas. It thrives in harsh conditions such as parking strips and riprap. This prolific seed producer outcompetes native species.

It can be distinguished by its fuzzy brown twigs and seed heads that stand erect. It has a strong stench that has been likened to cat urine. The best identifiers are the glands at the base of the leaves (see below.)

Control by pulling small seedlings, cutting and bagging seed heads or cutting large trees and treating with herbicide.

Check with OSU Extension Master Gardeners for herbicide advice.

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