### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

# **Neurada** procumbens

Neuarada procumbens is not a declared weed in the Northern Territory, however control is recommended as it is a potential weed problem.

## HABIT



A distinctive low-lying annual herb that is adapted to dry, sandy environments, spreading up to 1m in diameter.



Stems are branching and lie flat on the ground with dense hairs that give a woolly appearance.

Neurada also has an obvious tap root.



Leaves are a distinctive blue-green colour and are lobed, covered in fine hairs and reach 6 - 25mm in length.

They are borne on woody stems that radiate from the base of the plant.

# FLOWERS



Flowers are inconspicuous, usually solitary, small and generally off-white in colour.

# **FRUIT & SEED**



The fruit is star shaped, smooth on the underside but has spines on the upper surface that become sharp when dry.

The fruit turns hard and woody at maturity.

Weed Management Officers from the Weed Management Branch can provide advice on all aspects of weed management including control techniques, biological control, legislative responsibilities, policy advice, monitoring and regional planning. For further information on weed management planning, integrated control, herbicide application techniques and monitoring please refer to the <u>NT Weed Management Handbook</u>.

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