

News Article
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New Product to Control Johnsongrass in Hayfields

There is a new emergency label for Maverick herbicide use in established bermudagrass pastures to control johnsongrass. The EPA is only permitting the treatment of 20,000 acres in Alabama. Johnsongrass is a real problem for hay producers who are growing hay for horse owners. There is likely to be more demand than product available.

Bermudagrass forage producers should contact their ag-chemical dealers/distributors about their interest in the product. They may wish to purchase some product to use on their more infested fields. A similar label has been granted to Georgia and Mississippi so there may be considerable competition in the marketplace for the limited quantity.

BTW, Maverick does NOT control crabgrass, signalgrass, field sandbur, or smutgrass. It does however control nutsedge and annual sedges. I do not have an accurate handle on cost per acre but likely be in the \$14 per acre range.

An information sheet and a copy of the Section 18 label is available at the Coosa County Extension Office.