Remove Myrtle Spurge seedlings to prevent huge colonies



A massive myrtle spurge colony on a rocky slope must be treated with herbicide. Mechanical removal of large plants in ordinary soil is difficult and dangerous.

The best and easiest way to limit proliferation of myrtle spurge is to find and pull small plants before they become established, mature, and produce more seed. Always use protective gloves and eye wear when handling this toxic plant.



These seedlings grew 100 yards downhill from a massive colony. Seedlings can be easily pulled out of dry soil. In remote areas they can be left to decompose on the ground but if pets and people might contact them, send them to landfill.

See safe myrtle spurge removal advice at https://www.pinebrookhills.org/ForestHealth/index.html

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