

San Rafael River is new Tamarisk Battleground

Name _____

Date _____

Answer the following questions from your newspaper article:

1. How much water does this tree need per day? How tall does it grow on average? How many seeds does it produce per year?
2. How does this article connect to "ecosystem restoration"?
3. List some major problems that are resulting from having this nonnative tree growing along the San Rafael River.
4. What tree is going to naturally replace the tamarisk along this river?
5. Are there political issues resulting from removing this tree? If so, list a few of them.

6. How does this article connect and transfer to our curriculum with energy flow through ecosystems, food webs and food chains?

7. In the space provided draw and food chain or food web. Use your creativity and have fun.