

**Bur Ragweed – Wild Sunflower Herbaceous Vegetation (Map Code 60)**

*Location:* This forb-dominated type is found only in Wyasket Bottom growing on the upper margins of a dry, natural basin. Stands of *Helianthus annuus* are observed elsewhere within the Refuge, particularly in Leota Bottom, but they are usually associated with *Apocynum cannabinum* or drying areas with species of cattail.



*Signature:* The signature for this type varied depending on the amount and density of living vegetation. In areas with high cover of sunflower and ragweed the color was pink and fairly smooth in texture. Areas with less cover and more bare soil exhibited a white to pale pink color. Ground verification of this type was critical in accurately separating it from other annual floodplain types.

