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### Sommario/riassunto

The classic reference on weeds and invasive plants has been revised and updated. The Third Edition of this authoritative reference provides an in-depth understanding of how weeds and invasive plants develop and interact in the environment so you can manage and control them more effectively. The guide includes an introduction to weeds and invasive plants in various environments and an overview of their ecology and evolution. With extensive examples, this book: Focuses on the biological features of weeds and invasive plants, especially as they exist in agriculture, forests, rangelan

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