

Spread the Word Not the Weeds



November

Fall | 2015

ON THE CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

- Nov. 4-6 WA ST Noxious Weed Conference
- Nov. 18 Okanogan Co. NW Board Meeting 4:00pm

DECEMBER

- December 8 [Chelan Co. NW Board Meeting](#) 1:30pm

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Put Noxious Weeds in Your Sights This Fall

Now is the time to spray those perennial weeds we battle every year. Fall is a great time to treat Dalmation toadflax, Rush skeletonweed, knotweed, Russian knapweed and thistles.



If we have the ideal combination of weather and timing, the control results can be very good. It doesn't happen every time but here are some things to consider when you go after those weed patches.

For the best results, you

to rosettes that appear in the fall. Spray when the growth is 6-8 inches.

The more green growth present at the time of treatment the better the chances are for good results.

Weeds such as Russian

knapweed and Canada thistle can be sprayed in their senescence stage in the fall to kill next year's root buds.

Do not expect 100% control with just one herbicide application when targeting difficult weeds.

You may need to follow-up with a spring spray treatment or manual weed removal of remaining plants. And you can plan ahead for next year.

Feed for Animals After the Fires

Use Caution When Purchasing Feed For Livestock



The extreme fire events this summer have resulted in a lack of grazing ground and many producers have begun to feed early. The scramble for good quality hay is on. When purchasing hay from unknown sources and of unknown quality it is important to be aware and ask questions about what weeds may be in the hay. If the hay contains weeds that were already on the site where you intend to feed, then feed away. If the hay contains plants that are not already present, or if the supplier does not know what may be in the hay, try feeding in a contained area. If that isn't possible, feed the animals and plan on vigilantly surveying and/or controlling new infestations of weeds.

Weeds on the Move: Stop the Spread, Check Your Tread



Weed seeds can ride the waves, sail the slightest breeze and cling to just about anything. As if those natural modes of travel weren't enough, outdoor enthusiasts can unknowingly transport tiny seeds, prickly plant parts, root fragments, leaves and stems. Given this ability to travel great distances and the knack for quickly establishing infestations, it should come as no surprise, that managing noxious weeds can be difficult at times.

It's impossible to completely control natural vectors but many other routes of weed dispersal can be controlled. Avoid riding through weed infestations. If that is impossible, thoroughly power wash the vehicle at a commercial car wash being careful to remove all traces of mud (which can conceal seeds or other plant parts).

Plant Community Succession Stages

Early—low growing annuals with short lives

Middle—herbs, taller grasses, shrubs

Late—mostly trees

Fall Recreation & Noxious Weeds

Autumn is a great time of the year for recreating in Chelan County.

The leaves are changing colors, the temperature has finally started cooling down, and even the air seems to be a bit more refreshing.

Did you know fall is also the time of year when you are most likely to spread weeds to new areas?

Fall is when almost all of our noxious weed species are setting seed.

In fact, a recent study conducted by Montana State University showed that vehicles traveling in the fall tend to pick up more than three times the number of seeds when traveling in the fall than they will traveling in the same area in the spring.

We are not suggesting you stay home from October through December to reduce the risk of spreading noxious weeds to new areas, rather, take care while enjoying the fall recreational opportunities.

Help stop the spread of Weeds.



"A person's character and their garden both reflect the amount of weeding that was done during the growing season."

Unknown

What Can You Do?

Cooperate. Share your experience with your neighbors. Many land owners do not understand the difference between noxious and obnoxious weeds or their detrimental effects to the environment, habitat and water quality, property values and recreation.

Be responsible. Take care to travel on maintained roads to avoid driving through noxious weed sites.

Keep it clean. Wash animals, tires and gear between fishing, hunting, or camping trips. Thoroughly hose off boat trailers and vehicles before leaving the landing. Clean lawn furniture when moving it from one home to another.

About Us

The Noxious Weed Board was created April 22, 1986 It consists of five citizen volunteers who represent five geographic districts that cover the entire county. The Board meets throughout the year and provides vision and direction for the weed control program.



“Our primary goal is to focus on education, prevention, and technical assistance.”

Our Mission

“It is the mission of Chelan County Noxious Weed Control Board to protect and preserve the agricultural lands and natural resources of the county from the degrading effects of invasive noxious weeds and to promote the control of invading noxious weeds through best management practices with a focus on education, prevention, technical assistance and control of noxious weeds through voluntary compliance with RCW 17.10 and WAC 16-750.”



From the Coordinator’s Desk



Get Ready for Next Year

Now is the time to start thinking about what you want to do with those pesky weeds that you know you will have in the same places you had them this past season.

Plan on going to conferences, workshops, and training sessions during the winter months. The Chelan County Noxious Weed Board will have a one day workshop some time in February, the Washington State Noxious Weed Conference will be held at the Wenatchee Convention Center Nov. 4 thru 6th 2015. (Turn to page 4 for more information)



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Washington State Noxious Weed - Conference Tracts

CROP/AQUATICS

Herbicide Testing for Vegetable Crops | Managing Night Shade in Potatoes | Puncturevine: Easy to Kill, Hard to Control | Long Term Residual Herbicides—Uses and Concerns | Drift Management Strategies | Right of Way Control in Aquatic Riparian Situations | Using Aquatic Herbicides in Salmon Bearing Waters | Aquatic Weed Control Activities in Washington State | International Control of Invasive Aquatic Vegetation for the Upper Columbia River System CWMA 2014-2015 Survey and Control Efforts

VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

Condit Dam Removal Restoration Project | Economic and Environmental Effects of Roadside Mowing | What's New with Dow Agro Products | Weather and Herbicide Applications | NPDES Permit Requirements for Noxious Weed and Nuisance Plant Control | Herbicide Mode of Action: Be Afraid! Be Very Afraid! | Effects of Herbicides and Stand Age on the Nutritional Ecology of Black-tailed Deer in Western Washington | The Bees Needs | Agriculture Enforcement Actions: Learn From Other's Mistakes

TURF & ORNAMENTAL

Long Term Residual Herbicides—Uses and Concerns | New Line of Surfactants, ECO ADVANTAGE, Uses and Why to Use Them | Presentation Nozzle Selection for Best Application, What Size Nozzle Do You Need For Course To Extra Course Application Getting the Most Out of Your Sprayer? | Poa Annu Control with Methiozolin ('PoaCur') | Poa Annu Control with "Tenacity" and 'Xonerate' on Fairways | The Turf Market—What is the Current State of Mind and How Can We Get Involved? | Bee Health in Our Landscape Areas,. How Are We Doing and What's Next? | Undesirable Grass Identification and Control in Turf and Beds | Back Pack Calibration Made Easy | Broad Leaf Weed Control in Beds and Best Control Measures | Can I spray Today and What Do I Need To Make A Proper Application?

GENERAL SESSIONS

Plants/Pesticides Problematic Livestock | National, State and Local Issues Overview and Your Role in the Discussion | Elk Hoof Disease in Southwest Washington | Toxicity, Hazards, and Risks of Glyphosate Active Ingredients and Formulations: Why the Controversy? | Transgenic Crops: The Methods, Pros and Cons of GMOs and Biotechnology.

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Name: _____	Phone: () _____
Company/Affiliation: _____	
Contact Person: _____	Phone: () _____
Address: _____	
City: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____
Fax: () _____	Email: _____
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION RATES:	
Conference Registration (on or before October 28th)	\$125
Conference Registration (after October 28th).....	\$150
Registration includes all meetings and workshops, Thursday luncheon, and social hour.	
PAYMENT INFORMATION*	
_____	Conference Registrations at \$125 (on or before October 28th)
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_____	2015 Raffle - \$10.00 each ticket
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Register online or call the office with your credit card.	
<small>*Registrants who will be unable to attend must contact the WSWA office by November 1st in order to receive a refund.</small>	
Please return to:	
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