



ASOTIN COUNTY
NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD

**Asotin County Noxious Weed Control Board
Tuesday – February 20, 2024
Board Meeting Minutes**

6:09 pm: Chairman Tom Petty called the Board meeting to order.

Board Members present: **Jerry Hendrickson, Tom Petty, Brit Ausman**

Guests present: **Kodie Wight, Jennifer Zipse, and Megan Stewart (Asotin County Conservation District)**

Public Comment

None

Minutes:

Board reviewed the minutes from the January 3, 2024, and January 30, 2024, board meetings.

1. *Jerry Hendrickson moved, and Brit Ausman seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the January 3, 2024, and January 30, 2024, board meetings. **Motion Carried.***

Financial Updates:

Board reviewed the 2023/2024 Financial Report.

2. *Brit Ausman moved, and Jerry Hendrickson seconded a motion to approve the 2023/2024 financial report as presented. **Motion Carried.***

New Business:

Cost-Share Program (large landowners)

- Two applications currently approved
- 5 more drafted

Weed Management Program (small landowners)

- Eligibility: Landowner with 40 acres or less
- Weed Management Plans drafted for two landowners currently
- Requires monitoring to document infestation levels from beginning to end of 3-year agreement

Bio Control Program

- Ordering will open in late March
- Ordering online via ACCD may be an option
- Orders will be taken year-round (first come, first served)

EDRR Program

- Did an assessment for common crupina with Nelle Murray
- WCC Crew will continue assessments
- Eradicated populations of EDRR species have been mapped
 - o High concerns for white top infestations

Knotweed Program

- Restoration plan is in progress
- Dead stocks were pulled from infestation sites

Med Sage Program

- Kodie is exploring funding opportunities
- The RMEF PAC grant for \$20k will be submitted on 2/23/2024
- A Mule Deer grant will be applied for in the near future
- NRCS – Inflation Reduction Act funds may be available specifically for herbaceous weed control. Kodie is working with the local work group Snake River Team to submit support letters for NRCS to earmark funds for herbaceous weed control.
- A Mediterranean Sage treatment plan is being drafted

Outreach

- A tour of the biocontrol center & pesticide credit course will happen on March 14th
 - Publicize Weed Board vacancies via article in the Lewiston Tribune
 - Nursery & Landscapers Event – TBA
 - Boot Brush locations on WDFW property have been identified: Meyers Ridge, North Fork of Asotin Creek, and Charley Creek
 - o ACNWCB may not be funded by the Washington Invasive Species Council for the free boot brush station but the boot brush stations can still be installed for a low cost
 - Tree of Heaven is a growing concern – it is host to the spotted lantern fly
 - o Kodie has created an interactive mapping tool
 - Noxious Weed Control Board Outreach Signs Update – Updating current signs along state highways would require permits through DOT. Kodie had mapped out site locations for the new signs on private properties.
3. *Brit Ausman moved to approve, and Jerry Hendrickson seconded the motion to approve the outreach sign locations, with the addition of one location on the Grande Ronde River Road.*
Motion Carried.

Public Comment

None

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 pm by Chairman Tom Petty.

Review of Motions:

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CHAIRMAN SIGNATURE

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