



ASOTIN COUNTY
NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD

**Asotin County Noxious Weed Control Board
Tuesday – April 16, 2024
Board Meeting Minutes**

6:00 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, Megan Stewart (Asotin County Conservation District) and Nelle Murray**

Public Comment

- Tree of Heaven is a growing concern – it is host to the spotted lantern fly
 - o Kodie has created an interactive mapping tool

Minutes:

Board reviewed the minutes from the February 20, 2024, board meeting.

1. *Jerry Hendrickson moved, and Brit Ausman seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2024, board meeting. **Motion Carried.***

Financial Updates:

Board reviewed the 2024 Financial Report.

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

New Business:

Cost-Share Program (large landowners)

- Eight applications currently approved for a total of 426 acres
- Each application is eligible for \$500

Weed Management Program (small landowners)

- Two landowners are currently in the process of completing full noxious weed management plans
 - o These plans will establish infestation inventory over the course of three years
- One participant agreement has been approved

Bio Control Program

- Tour of the bio-control center and pesticide credit course were a success
- Ordering is currently open and will remain open year-round (first come, first served)
- Ordering online via ACCD may be an option

EDRR Program

- Common crupina locations have been mapped
- WCC Crew will continue assessments during the spring growing season

Knotweed Program

- A site visit was made on 3/1
 - o Little to no regeneration of knotweed
 - o A spring herbicide application is planned to treat a few remaining stalks and blackberries
- A site restoration plan is being drafted

Mediterranean Sage Program

- WDFW treated the mapped infestations on Meyers Ridge on April 1st
- Kodie is exploring a couple funding options
 - o The RMEF regional committee recommended the Med. Sage treatment funding request be fulfilled. The national committee needs to review the request but will likely be approved in May.
 - o A funding request for the Mule Deer Foundation is currently being drafted. MDF accepts applications year-round.

USFS Invasive Plant Partnership

- Working with forest service staff to establish treatment areas for spring control on Lick Creek
- WCC crew will begin herbicide applications in the Lick Creek area mid-May
- Cottonwood Gulch is next on the list for treatment

Outreach

- ACNWCB and ACCD will have a booth at the Asotin County Fair on April 26th to the 28th
- ACNWCB was selected to receive a free boot brush station sponsored by the Washington Invasive Species Council! It will be installed at the North Fork access/parking area.
- Working with WDFW on boot brush station locations and ordering materials for additional stations.
- Planning an outreach event for landscapers and nurseries.
- Planning a weed tour combined with a biological control collection and release demonstration.

Public Comment


None

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:57pm by Chairman Tom Petty.

Review of Motions:

1. Brit Ausman moved, and Jerry Hendrickson seconded a motion to approve the 2024 financial report as presented. **Motion Carried.**
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CHAIRMAN SIGNATURE

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