

WEED NEWS



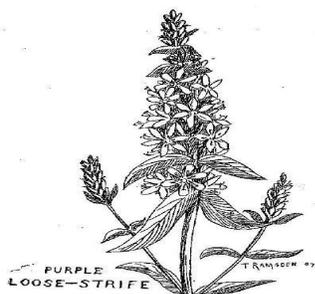
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What are some of the costs associated with noxious weeds and why should I be concerned?

- Non-native invasive weeds across the US cost an estimated \$26.4 billion per year in agricultural economic losses.
- Approximately 420,000 acres of grassland and national forests in the Pacific Northwest are reported to have been degraded by invasive weeds.
- Noxious weeds are a leading contributing cause of species endangerment.
- Purple loosestrife, which chokes out wildlife habitat, now invades wetlands in 48 states at an estimated cost of \$45 million a year for control and lost land use.
- Other noxious weeds can significantly reduce the recreational value of public open space and aquatic areas. For example the aquatic weeds Brazilian elodea and hydrilla can clog waterways, seriously disrupting boating and swimming activities.



WEED'EM AND REAP

CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS
PROTECT OUR RESOURCES

In This Issue

- Weed costs
- How to control
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Not sure what you have? Not sure how to get rid of it? Call our office 509-773-5810

How do I control weeds on my property ?

1. Identify the weeds on your property.
2. Once a weed is identified, understand the life cycle of the weed.
 - winter or summer annual
 - biennial
 - simple or creeping perennial
3. Understand the types of controls
 - Preventative - Biological - Cultural
 - Chemical - Mechanical
4. Develop a weed management plan
 - planning saves money and increases effectiveness
 - include long term monitoring to address any re-infestations
 - timing is a critical part of successful weed control. Regardless of which combination of control methods are used, implementing those control methods at the correct stage of weed development will increase the chances for successful weed control in the shortest period of time, with the least cost.



Choke 'em out

Planting specific flowers that grow profusely tend to choke out the weeds in the area.

Golden Creeping Jenny
wet/full sun

Mazus
moist/partial shade

Creeping Phlox
versatile

Phlox Stolonifera
moist/shady

Phlox Subulata
dry/full sun

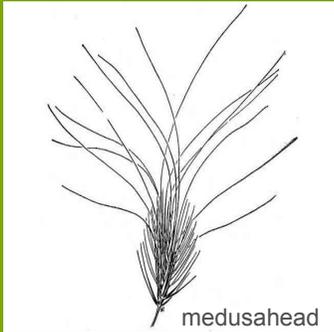
Red Creeping Thyme
dry/full sun

Dragons Blood Sedum
poor soil



It takes
consistent
persistence to
win the war on
weeds!

2016 Noxious Weed List



CLASS C: additions
control of these is not required by the state, but county weed boards have the option of selecting them for local mandatory control

Ventenata

Medusahead

English hawthorn

CLASS C: removals

lepyrodiclis

Name change:

Spikeweed scientific name changed from

Hemizonia pungens

to

Centromadia pungens

Top Ten Tools of the Weed Control Trade

- Tool #1 Educate yourself
Identify and collect basic data on each weed's cycle
- Tool #2 Plant Competing Vegetation
See article on previous page for some great ideas
- Tool #3 Pull Weeds by Hand
Make sure you get those "TAP" roots, you may think they go all the way to Timbuktu!
- Tool #4 Hoeing
It does a body good and a few weeds too! Be cautious of bare, loose soil, it creates favorable conditions for new weeds to sprout
- Tool #5 Work the Soil
Cultivating, tilling, discing or plowing generally used on large-scale ag lands. It works to kill certain weeds, especially when followed by planting a cover crop.
- Tool #6 Mowing
Effective but timing is critical. Mow when plants have begun blooming but not yet set seed. Plan to mow more than once because different weeds bloom at different times. Be careful of our native plants—they are our friends.
- Tool #7 Covering Soil
Landscape fabric or weed barrier.
- Tool #8 Grazing Animals
Sheep, goats and fencing.....oh my!
- Tool #9 Bio-controls (Miniature Grazing Animals)
It's a Bugs Life, contact our office with questions.
- Tool #10 Herbicides
Different products bring varying levels of risk. Weigh the pros and cons, talk to local experts and make an informed decision.



Para más información

<http://www.klickitatcounty.org/WeedControl>

- métodos de control
- fotos de las malas hierbas para identificación
- Reportar una maleza nociva

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