

DESCHUTES COUNTY WEED LIST

Deschutes County Weed Policy and Classification System

"Noxious Weed" means any weed designated by the Deschutes County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") that is injurious to public health, agriculture, recreation, wildlife, or any public or private property; any weed that impacts and displaces desirable vegetation, such as Threatened and Endangered plant species, wildlife habitat, and livestock.

It is acknowledged that certain noxious weeds have become so thoroughly established and are spreading so rapidly on private, state, county, and federally owned lands that they may have been declared by Oregon Revised Statute 569.350 to be a menace to public welfare. Steps leading to eradication where possible, and intensive control are necessary. It is further recognized that the responsibility for such eradication and intensive control rests not only on the private landowner and operator, but also the county, state and federal government.

Noxious Weed Control Rating System

Noxious Weeds, for the purpose of this system, shall be designated "A", "B" or "C"

1. An "A" designated weed is the highest priority noxious weed designated by the Board. The Weed Control District will comply with a state wide management plan and/or implement a county wide plan for intensive control and monitoring. An "A" rated weed may also be a weed of known economic or ecological importance which occurs in small enough infestations to make eradication or containment possible; or one that is not known to occur here, but its presence in neighboring counties make future occurrence here seem imminent.

Action: Infestations are subject to intensive eradication, containment or control when and where found.

2. A "B" designated weed is a weed that has the potential to cause economic or ecological harm to agriculture, recreation, wildlife and transportation systems. Distribution is limited in the County, region or State. Intensive control to limit or eliminate reproduction and spread will occur at the County level as resources and situations allow.

Action: Intensive containment, control and monitoring by the landowner is required.

3. A "C" designated weed is a weed that has the potential to cause economic or ecological harm to agriculture, recreation, wildlife and transportation systems. Distribution is widespread in the County, region or State, therefore eradication is unlikely and treatment is a lower priority.

Action: Control and monitoring by the landowner is recommended.

This list is available on the web at www.deschutes.org/weeds or by contacting Deschutes County at 541-322-7117.

“A” Rated Weeds:

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>
African Rue+	<i>Peganum harmala</i>
Buffalobur	<i>Solanum rostratum</i>
Dodder+	<i>Cuscuta</i> sp.
Dyer’s woad **	<i>Isatis tinctoria</i>
Eurasian watermilfoil	<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>
False brome	<i>Brachypodium sylvaticum</i>
Giant reed+	<i>Arundo donax</i>
Hoary alyssum	<i>Berteroa incana</i>
Houndstongue	<i>Cynoglossum officinale</i>
Hydrilla+	<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>
Jointed goat grass	<i>Aegilops cylindrical</i>
Leafy spurge	<i>Euphorbia esula</i>
Meadow (Tyrol) knapweed+	<i>Centaurea nigrescens</i>
Mediterranean sage+	<i>Salvia aethiopsis</i>
Medusahead rye	<i>Taeniatherum caput-medusae</i>
Musk (Nodding plumeless) thistle**	<i>Carduus nutans</i>
Orange hawkweed	<i>Hieracium aurantiacum</i>
Perennial pepperweed	<i>Lepidium latifolium</i>
Purple loosestrife**	<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>
Rush skeletonweed+	<i>Chondrilla juncea</i>
Russian knapweed+	<i>Acroptilon repens</i>
Saltcedar tamarix	<i>Tamarix ramosissima</i>
Scotch broom	<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>
Squarrose knapweed+	<i>Centaurea virgata</i>
Sulfur cinquefoil+	<i>Potentilla recta</i>
Tansy ragwort	<i>Senecio jacobaea</i>
Ventenata grass	<i>Ventenata dubia</i>
Water primrose**	<i>Ludwigia</i> sp.
Whitetop; Hoary cress	<i>Cardaria draba</i>
Wild carrot	<i>Daucus carota</i>
Yellow floating heart	<i>Nymphoides</i> sp.
Yellow star-thistle	<i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>

“B” Rated Weeds:

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>
Canada thistle	<i>Cirsium arvense</i>
Dalmatian toadflax	<i>Linaria dalmatica</i>
Diffuse knapweed	<i>Centaurea diffusa</i>
Myrtle spurge	<i>Euphorbia myrsinites</i>

Common Name

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Poison hemlock	<i>Conium maculatum</i>
Puncturevine	<i>Tribulus terrestris</i>
Ribbongrass	<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> var. <i>picta</i>
Scotch thistle	<i>Onopordum acanthium</i>
Spotted knapweed	<i>Centaurea stoebe</i>
Yellow toadflax	<i>Linaria vulgaris</i>
Yellow flag iris	<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>

“C” Rated Weeds:

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Bull thistle	<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>
Bur buttercup	<i>Ceratocephala testiculata</i>
Cheatgrass; Downy brome	<i>Bromus tectorum</i>
Common mullein	<i>Verbascum thapsus</i>
Field bindweed	<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>
Filaree redstem	<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>
Horseweed	<i>Conyza canadensis</i>
Oxeye daisy	<i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>
Kochia	<i>Bassia scoparia</i>
Poverty sumpweed	<i>Iva axillaris</i>
Quackgrass	<i>Elymus repens</i>
Reed canarygrass	<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>
Russian thistle	<i>Salsola kali</i>
Spiny cocklebur	<i>Xanthium spinosum</i>
St. Johnswort	<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>
Western water hemlock/	<i>Cicuta douglasii</i>

+ Currently not in the County (but potential threat)

**All known populations have been eradicated

/ Natives but poisonous to animals or humans