

NOXIOUS WEED BOARD MEETING
April 8, 2021 Video Meeting
Deschutes County Board Hearing – Meeting Minutes

BOARD MEMBERS Present:

Christina Veverka	Sarah Canham	Elizabeth Johnson	Jeff Amaral
Allen Hammerman	Autum Loewen		

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE and GUESTS Present:

Ed Keith	Charlie Hanna	Kelli Candella
Debbie Wood – Crooked River Cooperative Weed Management Area		

Minutes

Minutes for March 11, 2021, M/S/C

Old Business

Continued discussion on Power Point conservation education project. Review of completed slides and discussion on template and consistent text within slides. Christina will send out an updated template based on input from group. Question concerning herbicide use being included, group agreed that there will be verbiage added that directs viewer to contact Deschutes County Road Department for recommendations. Ed will write up general verbiage for slide use.

Elizabeth suggested web site: bugwood.com (<https://www.invasiveplantatlas.org/images.cfm>) free photos to view, must credit photo as it shows on site.

New Business

Debbie Wood – Crooked River Weed Management and Watershed, includes area in Deschutes County, received a grant in 2018 and 2019 to work with tri-counties on treatment of 1,800 acres. Jefferson, Deschutes and Wheeler counties are included in grant fund treatments. EDRR grant allows for treatment of A listed weeds.

Training coming up on April 15, Pacific Northwest Invasive Plant Council, 2.5 hours webinar followed by an on-site look at Smith Rock on April 21.

Roundtable

- Beth – Working with ODA and Jefferson County on contracts, getting started to rev up weed control. Weed Tech starting April 12.
- Allen – Learning Power Point. Would like location of Scotch thistle infestations to take a look and grab some photos for Power Point project. (Suggested location Bend Airport area)
- Charlie – Finishing up county spraying and will start on contract work soon. Spot sprayer installed in Charlie's truck, will do some spraying in addition to his crew.
- Jeff – not much weed work. Working on vegetation management at Shevlin Pond, looking at using a pond mat to cover weed to cut off light and possibly eliminate weeds.
- Christina – starting up on noxious weed work. Public outreach in Crescent area, including updating brochures on weeds in Crescent and Gilchrist area. Working with Roland Williams of ODOT to coordinate effort on weed treatments along Hwy 31. Christina also had a spot sprayer installed and will work on areas off Hwy 97, through La Pine, Crescent, Gilchrist and just before Hwy 58.

- Ed – not much to report on noxious weeds. Focused on fuel reduction work through June.

Meeting Schedule Next Meeting VIRTUAL set for May 13, 2021, at 3:30 p.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED

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