NOXIOUS WEED BOARD MEETING
May 8, 2018
Deschutes County Board Hearing – Meeting Minutes

BOARD MEMBERS Present:
Christina Veverka  Elizabeth Johnson  Jeff Amaral  Julie Craig  Matt Flautt
Don Wright  Sarah Canham  Allen Hammermann

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE and GUESTS Present:
Ed Keith  Jon Valley  Mike Crumrine  Kelli Candella
Guest: Cheryl Howard

Minutes
Minutes for March 8, 2018, M/S/C

Old Business
LPT
Cheryl Howard gave an update on the upcoming LPT event:
- 15th Annual Event! Bend site is scheduled for June 16, 2018
- Currently under the non-profit umbrella status of Orchard District, transitioning for 2019 to be under the City of Bend non-profit.
- Three locations: Miller Elementary School, Pilot Butte State Park and Old Mill – west side of venue
- Volunteer sign up will be through the LPT web site.
- Looking for more prizes, please send Cheryl possible places to contact, or make contact yourself and update Cheryl on progress.

New Business
Distribution list for updated brochure – Excel spreadsheet was worked up during meeting. Board members will help distribute brochures – thank you!

Jon Valley update given (See attached)

Invasive Species trailer is quite booked for the summer for a variety of events.

Roundtable
- Julie – Jimmie has been busy spraying.
- Jeff – Busy spraying, in addition been spraying orange hawkweed found in small area within a Park property.
- Elizabeth – Met with newly formed Jefferson County Weed Board members. Jenny Carson is new Botanist joining staff. Discussion with farmers concerning seed contamination issues. Elizabeth will be leading a Sisters trail walk. Wildness for Weeds – gathering volunteers for this project. Traveling to Tanzania as a Weed Botanist.
- Jon V – working with horse rescue ranch on pasture that has been overgrown with weeds. Sprayed, mowed, and replant, irrigation is now available.
- Mike C – getting ready for field season. Looking for rust on Canada thistle, white spots and fragrant pustules, if anyone sees this please collect leaves, and let Mike know area. Currently using a natural treatment for Canada thistle, the damage to the leaves indicate success. New bio control coming for White top. Bio control for Russian thistle and knapweed continue to be utilized.
Allen – Question concerning noxious weed follow-up in areas of controlled burns. In a burned area weeds tend to spread faster, has there been follow-up? Ed Keith and Christina both stated no there has been no follow up.

Don – has not had success in finding groups to present Noxious Weed information power point. Also meeting with college EFD.

Matt – Digging into season. Black Butte Ranch avoids spraying, more mechanical control. Did spray the FEMA area for weeds. Clearing and thinning other areas of Black Butte.

Ed – Cost share calls, visiting land owners and sharing advice on treatment.

Christina – prepping for season.

Meeting Schedule Next Meeting set for October 11, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED 5:00 p.m.

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Weed Board Update 5/10/18

CEVMC Update

Attendance was 87 down from last few years BLM and others had training elsewhere or did not need credit hours.

Had a few stressful moments...speakers canceling at last minute and one not showing up.

Otherwise evaluations were good. Financially the CEVMC is sound due to the partnership with the fairgrounds.

Chris has agreed to continue support of CEVMC by trading spray work with the fair grounds for the use of the facilities.

This will help keep cost down which has been my goal all along. I am stepping down as the conference director.

Home & Garden show

Fairly busy Friday and Saturday as usual with the mornings and early afternoon busier. Sunday morning busy then rain and lightning hit and not so much after that.

Had live plants on display for weed ID Questions. This was not only helpful for ID questions but having printed handouts available made it easier for staff to answer questions.

Fair week we are being moved from our original spot and need to meet with Ross to figure out where to.

Trailer is booked for State fair again by ODA and have interest from Oregon parks to use it around the state.

Weed treatment

Pre work done. 1,950ac Post work: Smith rock state park treatment next week.

Spraying North to south noxious weed Hwy 97,126, 20 to Riley, 31 to Valley Junction, 21 pits and stockpile sites for ODOT USFS Agreement and 18 other contracts.