

NOXIOUS WEED BOARD MEETING
October 10, 2013
Deschutes County Board Hearing – Meetings Minutes

BOARD MEMBERS Present:

Kelsey Josi Spring Olson Christina Veverka

TECHNICAL ASSISTANT MEMEBERS Present:

Ed Keith Juli Craig
Kelli Candella

GUESTS:

Tammy Harty Larry Roofener Mike Crumrine

CALLED TO ORDER 3:30PM

Introductions were made.

MINUTES

Minutes for September 12, 2013 were approved M/S/C.

ED KEITH UPDATE

Program status:

Cost Share

This program is funded through the USFS (RAC) – grant expires 9/30/2015

Approximately \$5900 is currently obligated to 13 projects

Status as of September:

- 18 completed projects totaled 156 acres treated year to date
September: 5 projects completed for 17 acres
- 36 Initial cost share visits year to date
September: initial cost share site visit
- Approximately \$8,000 remaining to obligate

Education

This program is funded through the USFS (RAC) – grant expires 12/31/2014

We coordinated a press release in cooperation with ODA to alert the public to two new aquatic weeds, yellow floating heart and water primrose. The press releases resulted in discovery of three new sites in addition to other known sites. ODA will take the lead in treatment of these ‘A’ rated weeds in cooperation with Deschutes County staff.

Individual landowner educational contacts / site visits:

September: 1

Complaints

September: 2

Orange Hawkweed

This is a grant through ODA and OWEB – expires 4/30/14

The interim report was submitted to ODA in September as required. 47 addresses were visited as a result of this grant, with 1.75 acres of treatment by the County (spraying), with other landowners opting to treat on their own through pulling or other means. Work left to complete under this grant will include submitting a map and photos of the known sites to ODA.

JON VALLEY UPDATE

No update, Jon was not able to attend meeting

FUNDING

Ed distributed a spreadsheet with information on current funding projects and would like input from Board on how to spend additional funding that will be available on October 1, 2013. There were not enough Board members to discuss this, see attached spreadsheet and get information to Ed regarding areas of funding requests.

UPDATE for LEGAL REVIEW

Legal still reviewing program and issues regarding citations and fines. Legal Department met with Tim Butler to discuss Enforcement. Spring indicated that a campaign push should include information on possible fines.

General Discussion

Mike Crumrine gave information on the areas found with the aquatic yellow floating heart. There were some private ponds that had this weed. Mike will be starting treatment this fall.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:10 p.m.

NEXT MEETING November 14, 2013

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