

Weed Board

May 2017

North Dakota Century Code (4.1-47-02):

- 1. Each person shall do all things necessary to control the spread of noxious weeds.
- 2. No person may distribute, sell, or offer for sale within this state

Bowman County Landowners,

In recent years, we have seen a significant increase in uncontrolled noxious weeds in Bowman County, most notably Canada thistle. It is a great challenge to all of us to institute methods to reduce and eliminate the noxious weeds before they produce new seeds.

Whether you are an active farmer/rancher or a landowner who leases property to another individual, the Bowman County Weed Board asks that you become involved in identifying and controlling noxious weeds on property that you or your family are responsible for. Very often the landowner and the renter both think that the other party is responsible for noxious weed control. When this occurs, nobody controls noxious weeds, and they can go unnoticed until a neighbor notices and eventually complains. By such time, noxious weed infestations can be very large and expensive to control.

Part of the county weed officer's duty is to inform landowners/ operators of the presence of noxious weeds. Bowman County will again be increasing surveillance of private land and notifying owners/operators when major infestations of noxious weeds are found.

If uncontrolled noxious weeds are observed on private land, an official "notice to control" will be sent to the landowner/operator, giving them a certain number of days in which to control the noxious weeds. The notice will be sent to either the landowner or rental operator, or both. Land ownership information is readily available, but if land is rented out, it can be difficult to find out who the local renter is. Therefore, if you are a landowner who rents out your agricultural property to someone, do not be surprised or offended if notified of noxious weeds on your property. If you do not have the means to control noxious weeds, do not expect Bowman County employees to do it for you. The county weed board crew's priority is to control noxious weeds on all public road right-of-ways in the county. There are licensed custom applicators who may be able to assist in noxious weed control,. Several are listed on this page.

Commercial Applicators licensed in North Dakota (specializing in noxious weed control)

Bob Berndt Mitchell's Oilfield Baker, MT 406-978-2929

Randy Lyons Prairie Land Consulting Buffalo, SD 605-858-9020

Clint Miles Weed-Blaster Dickinson, ND 701-290-8194

North Dakota Noxious Weeds



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NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

(MAXIMUM \$500 REIMBURSEMENT PER FARM/RANCH OPERATION FOR ALL PROGRAMS COMBINED) FOR NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL ONLY IN BOWMAN COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA

Pesticide* Distribution Days** (please purchase only as much as needed)

- Milestone herbicide: \$20/Qt- (treats 5-6 acres) (Limit 2 per farm/ranch)
 - or a 2.5 gallon jug for \$200. (treats 50-60 acres) (Limit 1)
- GrazonNext herbicide: \$20 for a 2 gallon jug (treats 8-10 acres) (Limit 2)
- Both products control Canada and musk thistle, wormwood, & knapweeds.
- These reduced prices already figure cost-share
- Monday, June 12, 2017: 8:00 to 11:00 am
 - ♦ Bowman County Weed Board Shop -1/4 mile west of Bowman (new location)
- Tuesday, June 13, 2017: 8:00 to 11:00 am
 - Rhame Cenex Parking Lot
- Wednesday, June 14, 2017: 8:00 to 11:00 am
 - Scranton- across from Fire Hall

*Milestone and GrazonNext are general use herbicides, thus private applicator certification is not required for its purchase.

Herbicide Cost Reimbursement

- Reimbursement of **non-cropland** noxious weed herbicides (glyphosate not eligible)
- purchased from retailer of your choice.
- Fill out a one page application (enclosed & available from the Bowman County Weed Office)
 - Document in-kind time to equal at least 20% of herbicide cost.

Cost-Share for Hiring Custom Application

• 50% reimbursement, up to \$500 reimbursed.

Equipment Reimbursement Program

- 25% rebate for the purchase of noxious weed spraying equipment.
 - Maximum reimbursement: \$500

^{**}Or contact Randy at 701-523-4902 (office) or 701-523-2332 (cell) to schedule an appointment to pur-

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Weed Board Members:

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Randy Gaebe, Weed Control Officer Gary Symanowski, Weed Control Officer Ken Becker, Right-of-way applicator