



NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD

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September 29th, 2020

Union Ridge 5 LLC
18818 TELLER AVENUE SUITE 277
IRVINE CA, 92612

REF: Civil Infraction, Report Number 71117

To whom it may concern:

A hearing was held on September 21st, 2020 with the Clark County Noxious Weed Control Board, (hereafter the "Board"), to consider your appeal of the above-referenced Civil Infraction, which was issued for violation of RCW 17.10.140. Jurisdiction of the Board is pursuant to Clark County Code 7.14.090, and RCW 17.10.180.

The Board received testimony presented at the hearing from Field Inspector Kara Hauge and your representative Ashley Kessinger.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact:

1. On June 6, 2020, Kara Hauge found poison hemlock present at a parcel of land with ID#: 215444010.
2. Poison hemlock is listed on the State's noxious weed list, created pursuant to RCW 17.10.080(1), and that list was adopted by the County through CCC 7.14.070.
3. The parcel of land with ID# 215444010 is owned by Union Ridge 5 LLC.
4. Clark County sent a notice to the owner, regarding the presence of poison hemlock, via certified mail, and it was shown as received on June 9, 2020.
5. As a follow-up to the notice, Kara Hauge tried to reach the owner by calling the phone number listed for Union Ridge 5 LLC. When there was no answer, Hauge left a message.
6. Subsequent observations of the subject parcel showed the continued presence of Poison hemlock, though cut, that had seeds on the plant.
7. The County issued a citation to Union Ridge 5 LLC to further address the violation.

The Board makes the following Conclusions of Law:

1. As the owner of the subject parcel, pursuant to RCW 17.10.140(1), Union Ridge 5 LLC has the responsibility to take action to control the Poison hemlock.
2. The County's notice and citation were sufficient under RCWs 17.10.170 and 17.10.310.



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3. Union Ridge 5 LLC's failure to take timely action resulted in the weeds producing seed, in violation of RCW 17.10 and CCC 7.14.
4. The civil penalty allowed under Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 16-750-020 under the circumstances of this matter is \$500.

The full amount of \$500.00 is due within 90 days of receipt of this notification of decision.

Respectfully,

Justin Collell

Coordinator, Clark County Noxious Weed Control Board