



# Clark County Noxious Weed Control Board Meeting Minutes



Monday, August 7, 2023, 9:01am to 10:36am

Meeting held at 4700 NE 78<sup>th</sup> Street, Conference Room B1, Vancouver, WA and via Microsoft Teams

**Control Board:** Jerry Kolke, Bill Zimmerman, Lee Wells, Randy Lawffer, Lisa Nelski, Justin O'Dea\*

**Clark County Staff:** *Parks and Lands:* Kevin Tyler, Justin Collell, Chris Walker

**Guests:** Don Kerkow

\* Not Present

9:09am Called to Order/Roll Call – Jerry Kolke

| Time   | Action Item  |
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| 9:10am | <b>MOTION BY:</b> Bill Zimmerman <b>SECOND BY:</b> Randy Lawffer       |
|        | <b>MOTION:</b> Motion to adopt May 1, 2023 minutes as submitted        |
|        | <b>DISCUSSION:</b>   |
|        | <b>IN FAVOR:</b> Unanimous <b>OPPOSED:</b> None <b>ABSTAINED:</b> None |

### 3) FIP Updates – Justin Collell

- a) Tansy is above average but not horrible – roadsides have a lot due to no spray truck and no contract with DOC – staff has been doing a good job and has bagged up 2,554 pounds flower heads – Need to order more Tansy signs as some have disappeared – Lee mentioned the City of Ridgefield makes a sweep for political signs
- b) Civil Infractions – two in the works right now for Poison hemlock– Providence Padden Properties LLC and BNB Investment Group LLC – may be a couple for Tansy
- c) County Fair – Staff is having good interactions and meaningful conversations with the public – next meeting will have a recap of outreach
- d) Tree of Heaven – State offered a small grant for control, but the timeline did not work out as it had to be done by June – there is continuing interest so we may see the opportunity next year
- e) Variable-leaf Milfoil – We have a contractor working for us and are very close to scheduling control work on some of the parcels that are an acre or less – the larger property (Warren Seely) is more of an issue due to the Townsend Blueberry Farm using the water for irrigating blueberries – Justin will be meeting with all the stakeholders to discuss options

### 4) Items from Board – Jerry Kolke

- a) Board asked about how to control horsetail – Justin always asks landowners what they are using the land for – it reproduces by spores – you can mow it but it always comes back – drainage needs to be improved to make the site less hospitable for horsetail – You can spray to kill the top growth but it will likely come back – Don Kerkow mentioned MCPA will burn back for season
- b) Lee mentioned flyers about the North Fork Bridge on I5 closing for two months due to re-decking

**5) Public Comment**

- a) Don Kerkow said he appreciates the reminder letters we send out to people who have gotten letters from us in the past. We let him know we also send out propagated letters. Noted that several landowners are seeing the cinnabar moths

**10:36am** Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by Chris Walker

**Upcoming Meeting:**

**Date:** TBA – Possible appeals meeting

**Time:** 9:00am to 11:00am

**Location:** 4700 NE 78<sup>th</sup> St. Conference Room B1 and via Microsoft Teams