

Lancaster County Weed Control – City of Lincoln Weed Abatement

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Education & Outreach

When sports fans think of “March Madness” they think basketball. It’s time for the NCAA men’s and women’s college basketball tournaments. Locally, the NSAA high school girls and boys state basketball tournaments will crown champions in March. At the Weed Department it’s “March Madness” but our focus is on our education and outreach for the coming season. One of our goals in our Annual Control Plan is:

Provide education and public outreach on noxious and invasive weed control — the public is generally not aware of the economic and environmental impacts of noxious weeds. There is a need to improve awareness of noxious weeds and to provide educational information to cooperators, land



2014 - 5 Rivers Cost Share Training

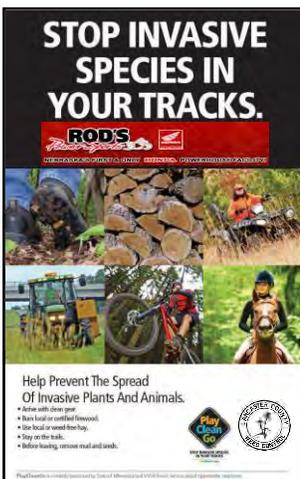
managers, and the public. As people become more aware of noxious weeds, the probability of detecting them is greatly increased, which allows for more effective and timely control.

Education and awareness assist:

- weed identification
- reporting new infestations
- prevention
- control
- fostering cooperation and partnerships

With the Private Applicator trainings behind us, the annual UNL Extension Nebline articles written and being

edited for the April printing, we now turn to a busy month of Neighborhood Association meetings including: 2nd Clinton, 5th Witherbee, 9th Near South, 10th Indian Village, 11th College View, 17th Country Club, April 20th Highlands and May 12th Meadowlane Area. Our office is also busy setting up the 5-Rivers Weed Management Invasives Cost Share meeting on March 11th in Hallam, as well as the Multi-agency Invasive Plant training to be held at Lancaster Extension on March 24th.



Invasive Plants Education & Outreach Packets

Lancaster County recently adopted the Play Clean Go national branding campaign to help educate the public on invasives plants. Rod’s Power Sports in Lincoln and Superior Outdoor Power in Superior have agreed to provide a packet with each sale of an ATV/UTV or

trailer they sell. The packet will provide information on noxious weeds, troublesome weeds and what sportsman can do to help prevent the spread of invasive plants by properly cleaning their equipment. This will put valuable information in the hands of

those out enjoying and working in the outdoors.



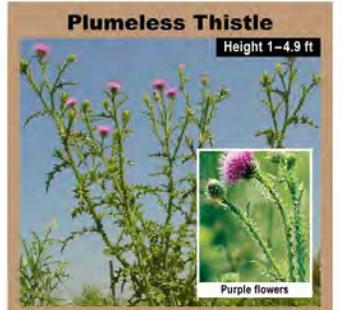
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Nebraska's Noxious Weeds

It is the duty of each person who owns or controls land to effectively control noxious weeds on such land.

Noxious weed is a legal term used to denote a destructive or harmful weed for the purpose of regulation. The Director of Agriculture establishes which plants are noxious. These non-native plants compete aggressively with desirable plants and vegetation. Failure to control noxious weeds in this state is a serious problem which is detrimental to the production of crops and livestock, and to the welfare of residents of this state. Noxious weeds may also devalue land and reduce tax revenue.



GOOD NEIGHBORS CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS

If you have questions or concerns about noxious weeds, please contact your local county noxious weed control authority, Nebraska Weed Control Association (www.neweed.org), or Nebraska Department of Agriculture (www.agr.ne.gov/noxious_weed)

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 Control Invasive Weeds !!!