



UNION COUNTY

Weed Control

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Union County wants to help YOU control your noxious weeds!

Thanks to the Weed Levy, the Union County Weed Control Department is offering up to a **\$500 reimbursement** for treating noxious weeds on your property. This is a 50/50 Cost Share program for qualified applicants, and applies to many different integrated weed management strategies. Weeds required to be controlled in Union County are listed below. Please call us at 541-805-5399, email bclapp@union-county.org, or go to our website www.unioncountyweedcontrol.org for a cost share application and more info.

State of Oregon Laws & Regulations on Noxious Weeds

Oregon Revised Statutes, Chapter 569 — Weed Control (excerpts)

569.180 Noxious weeds as public nuisance; policy. In recognition of the imminent and continuous threat to natural resources...noxious weeds are declared to be a public nuisance and shall be detected, controlled and, where feasible, eradicated on all lands in this state.

What is a noxious weed?

A weed is designated noxious when it is considered by a governmental agency to be injurious to public health, agriculture, recreation, wildlife, or property (Oregon Administrative Law 603-052-1200). Most noxious weeds are non-native plants that are serious pests causing economic loss and harm the environment. Noxious weeds choke out crops, destroy range and pasture lands, clog waterways, affect human and animal health, and threaten native plant communities.

Designation of Noxious Weeds in Union County

CLASS "A" WEEDS

Class "A" designated weed is a **priority noxious weed** designated by the Union County Commissioners as a **target weed species** on which the Weed Control District will comply with a state wide management plan and/or implement a county wide plan for intensive control and monitoring. An "A" rated weed may also be a weed of known economic importance which occurs in small enough infestations to make containment/eradication possible; or one that is not known to occur here, but its presence in neighboring counties make future occurrence here seem imminent.

Russian knapweed
Common bugloss
Rush skeletonweed
Scotch broom
Leafy spurge (*greater than 1 mile from the Grande Ronde River*)
King-devil hawkweed
Meadow hawkweed

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Yellow starthistle (*outside the Cove area*)
Mouse-ear hawkweed
Orange hawkweed
Yellow hawkweed
Hoary cress -- Whitetop (*within the Grande Ronde or Wolf Creek drainages*)
Perennial pepperweed

Giant knotweed
Japanese knotweed
Himalayan knotweed
Hybrid or Bohemian knotweed
Tansy ragwort
Common crupina
Garlic Mustard
Viper's Bugloss

Yellow toadflax
Myrtle spurge (*except residential*)
Velvet leaf
Black henbane
Common tansy
Giant Foxtail
Ravenna Grass
Rose Campion (*except residential*)

CLASS "B" WEEDS

Class "B" designated weed is a **weed of economic importance**, which is both locally abundant and abundant in neighboring counties.

Jointed goatgrass
Spotted knapweed
Diffuse knapweed
Yellow starthistle
Oxeye daisy (*except residential*)
Canada thistle
Wild carrot – Queen Anne's Lace
Leafy spurge (*within 1 mile of Grande Ronde River*)
Hoary cress -- Whitetop
Dalmatian toadflax
Purple loosestrife

Scotch thistle
Sulfur cinquefoil
Puncturevine
Houndstongue
Armenian (Himalayan) blackberry
Yellow flag iris
Medusahead rye
Ventena grass-- North Africa grass, Wiregrass
Saltcedar
Sweet Briar Rose
Bittersweet Nightshade