**PACIFIC COUNTY**

**NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD**

Regular Meeting

7:00 P.M. Tuesday, March 15, 2016

410 Quincy Street, South Bend, WA 98586

**MINUTES**

Members in attendance: Bob Rose (chair), Paul Waldref, David Bale, and Jeff Nesbitt (coordinator)

1. Call to Order: 7:08 PM
2. Minutes from the February 3rd meeting/hearing were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes by Waldref, seconded by Bale. Motion passed 3-0.
3. New Business
	* 1. DPW contract-- We have ordered our new truck and are currently waiting for assembly and delivery. The 2016 contract will be for 130,000. We will use this funding to spray all county road ROW, DPW shop parking lots, and the South Main drainage in Long Beach.
		2. Spartina—We have secured funding from WSDA and USFWS and we will begin hiring crews and starting field work over the next few months. Our territory has not changed this year, but there is a chance that we will work more of the Wildlife Refuge ground than we have in past years if they are not able to hire their own crew.
		3. Knotweed—We have secured 50,000 in funding from WSDA to treat the Naselle, North Nemah, and Willapa Rivers for knotweed. We plan to hire a crew and focus largely on the Willapa River for the coming season. We have begun to collect permission forms already and the treatments will begin in June.
		4. Baker’s Bay—DNR has requested that we arrange another agreement this year that will allow us to go out there again this year and keep the bay clean of noxious weeds. This will add to the progress that has been made the last two years in that area.
		5. City of Raymond—Renewed contract for 2016. We will do mostly bareground treatments at the water treatment facility, shop lots, water meters, electrical boxes, etc. This project usually brings in around $5,000 per year.
	1. City of Ilwaco—Work will continue on Black Lake. We completed one treatment with diquat in February and it appears to have been effective at killing the majority of the elodea. We were unable to follow-up with a second treatment because of the risk of frost. We will try to treat again as soon as the farmers have harvested their cranberries at the end of the summer.
4. 2016 Pacific County Noxious Weed List
	1. Nesbitt gave a brief explanation of the Washington State Weed listing procedure. The 2016 Pacific County noxious weed list will contain all weeds listed by the Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board and whichever Class B and/or C weeds that the County NWCB deems appropriate for mandatory control.
	2. Proposed County additions:
		1. Listed as Class B selects in 2015:
			1. gorse (*Ulex europaeus*)
			2. tansy ragwort (*Senecio jacobaea*)
			3. scotch broom (*Cytisus scoparius*) (on public R.O.W.)
		2. New in 2016:
			1. purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*)
			2. policeman’s helmet (*Impatiens glandulifera*)
			3. lesser celandine *(Ficaria verna*)
	3. Motion made by Waldref to adopt 2016 Weed list, keeping gorse, tansy, and scotch broom as County selects, and adding purple loosestrife, policemen’s helmet, and lesser celandine as additional County selects. Motion seconded by Bale. Motion passed 3-0.
5. Adjournment—Motion by Bale to adjourn meeting, seconded by Waldref. Motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

***Next Meeting will be held on June 14th, 2016 at 410 Quincy Street, South Bend, WA 98586 at 7:00 PM.***

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Nesbitt, Noxious Weed Control Board coordinator

Adopted by the Pacific County Weed Board at South Bend, Washington, then signed by its membership and attest by its Coordinator in authorization of such adoption this 14thday of June, 2016.

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 Warren Cowell, Member

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Jeff Nesbitt, Coordinator Doug Camenzind, Member

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 David Bale, Member