

**NOXIOUS WEED Board MEETING**  
**May 8, 2025, Video Meeting / In-person**  
**Deschutes County Board Hearing – Meeting Minutes**

**BOARD MEMEBERS Present:**

Nicole Swarts  
Dan Son

Joe Mauti  
Jacob Derksen

Lorena Brown

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE and GUESTS Present:**

Kevin Moriarty  
Kelli Candella

Claire McClafferty  
Cody Stevens

Thad Grudzien

**Minutes**

Minutes April 10, 2025, M/S/C with changes.

**Outreach Material:**

Continued discussion on outreach materials.

Still pending: Flyers – make additional flyers for Orange hawkweed, Myrtle spurge, Yellow floating heart.

Continued work on collecting weeds for weed press, Lorena will make weed pressed display, currently no flowing samples available. Binder suggestion for pressed weeds, categorized as A, B and C classifications.

Event: Rhubarb Festival and Upper Watershed River clean-up event have size limitations; trailer will not be at the event. Deschutes County Fair still need volunteers to fill time slots.

Kevin presented a photo slide show; comments included use of local photos of weeds and remove the info of Eileen Sande photo credit. Add Scotch thistle. Dan sent photos to Lauren for wall prints.

**Roundtable:**

Dan – field season start up week of May 19. Lower Deschutes River in Sherman and Wasco Counties.

Nicole – still weeding property, working on Cheat grass. Would like Dan to visit the property in June to view weed problem areas and treatment options.

Lorena – preseason planning, Metolius River tour for Ribbon grass to access treatment plan. Camp Sherman outreach project. Viewed Lake Bill Chinook area, research natural area.

Claire – Sunriver area currently has enforcement for community weed control, reminders to those that received notification last year will go out next week. Discussion on GIS mapping resources for problem areas.

Joe – nothing new. Backpack applications currently going on BMPRD property. Problem arose finding bull frogs in the area. Made inquiry on situation, Spotted frog group is concerned. Monitoring class A, currently zero found in areas that were treated last season.

Jacob – spray season has begun. Spraying Knapweed, less found as opposed to last year's Knapweed infestation. Native plants, using Winter Creek nursery, educational opportunity on what not to plant what native plants to use.

Kevin – receiving Cost Share requests for Knapweed, Cheat grass and Puncture vine. Received two complaints regarding weed problems, one of which is County owned property.

**Meeting Schedule** Next meeting is October 9, 2025. In person, Deschutes County Road Department – 61150 SE 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Bend, OR 97702 – Virtual option will be available.

MEETING ADJOURNED

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