NOXIOUS WEED BOARD MEETING January 9, 2025, Video Meeting / In-person Deschutes County Board Hearing – Meeting Minutes

BOARD MEMBERS Present:

Joe Mauti Jacob Derkson Beth Johnson

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE and GUESTS Present:

Kevin Moriarty Ben Hanna Dan Son

Lorena Brown Kelli Candella Ryan – Jefferson Co

Lauren Street

Minutes

Minutes for October 10, November 14 and December 12, 2024, were discussed but were not approved. No quorum present.

Joe Mauti - Interim Chari-person – waiting for quorum to confirm.

Lorena Brown – Will need to apply for Committee seat and have BOCC confirm. Kevin will get Lorena the application.

Jacob Derkson agreed to work on finding photos for prints.

Mussel display – looking for sample, contact Oregon Invasive Species Council – or Sam Chan regarding aquatic invasive species info/photos. Discussion on 3D printer – mostly not an option for mussel sample, a bit complicated. Develop a sticker for aquatic invasive species.

The group discussed priorities for 2025 and swag to purchase for Noxious Weed events. Discussion on placing a QR code on swag that will direct to Noxious Weed website showing link to BMP and weed info. Put together a video that can loop on TV display to show targeted weeds and educational information. Kevin suggested others send him photos of weeds to highlight on video loop. Ryan, Jefferson County has photos, he will send and share with group, Jefferson County also has stickers – *Weeds are Your Responsibility*.

Discussion on survey for Hoary alyssum locations as well as Yellow floating heart.

2025 Weed list – finalist at February meeting.

Roundtable:

Dan – December held Interagency Noxious Weed Symposium – strong turnout. Grant review time is coming up. High Desert Museum, maybe new partners with their volunteers. Ben Hanna is meeting them next week. HDM is interested in having Invasive Trailer on-site for educational purposes to visitors.

Joe – gearing up volunteer programs and weed program. Monitoring and fire fuels reduction.

Ryan – State weed grant, ODOT treatments starting soon.

Jacob – No updates Currently working on forest management.

Beth – Boot brush station installed on Black Butte trailhead. Working on Reed canary grass within Black Butte swamp.

Meeting Schedule Next Meeting February 13, 2024. In person, Deschutes County Road Department – 61150 SE 27th Street, Bend, Or 97702 – virtual option will be available. MEETING ADJOURNED

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