

2011 WEED COMMISSIONER'S REPORT
Submit to County Board of Supervisors by December 1, 2011
Return copy to the IDALS office by January 1, 2012

From: _____ County: _____

Please Fax, Email or Mail any city, county Ordinances or Policies you use to regulate noxious weeds, county right of way and other issues you manage within your county. Ryan.Krull@IowaAgriculture.gov, fax 515-725-1471, or mail to address at bottom of report. **(make sure they include Weed Destruction/Control Dates!!)**

We are working on several projects based on information from these documents. Hopefully this will help DOT streamline controls between counties, and eventual update of the Iowa Noxious Weed Law.

1.) Which of the noxious weeds have you found in your county?

NEW please use a “?” if you cannot identify this plant!

1 – Found, a problem in my county 2 – Found, but not a problem 3 – Not known in my county

USE AN ASTERISK “*” next to the weeds you do not think should be on the noxious weed law.

<u>Primary Noxious Weeds</u>		<u>Secondary Noxious Weeds</u>	
Buckthorn		Buckhorn Plantain	
Bull Thistle		Cocklebur	
Canada Thistle		Wild sunflower	
Field Bindweed		Curly dock (Sour dock)	
Hoary Cress (Perennial Pepper-grass)		Poison hemlock	
Horsenettle		Puncturevine	
Leafy Spurge		Red Sorrel (Sheep sorrel)	
Musk Thistle		Smooth dock	
Perennial Sowthistle		Teasel	
Quackgrass		Velvetleaf (Butterprint)	
Russian knapweed		Wild Carrot	
Other		Wild Mustard	
Other		Multiflora Rose	
Purple loosestrife		Shattercane	

- 2.) Please list any other plants which are a problem in your county:

- 3.) Please list any low level infestations which could become a problem

- 4.) As County Weed Commissioner do your duties include roadside spraying?
 _____ Yes _____ No

- 5.) Did your county employ contract spraying during 2011? _____ Yes _____ No
 If Yes, what percentage of your total spray program is contracted? _____%

If possible please describe the contract and rates.

How would you rate the effectiveness of those herbicides used?

_____ Good _____ Medium _____ Poor

- 6.) What are your future plans and expected costs for control of noxious weeds and or Invasives plants within your county.

- 7.) How many times during 2011 was it necessary to serve a noxious weed control notice
 Private _____ Public (DOT OR DNR) _____

- 8.) How many times did you contact individuals personally, rather than sending them a weed control notice? _____

- 9.) How many times did you actually enter private or public land, control weeds, and assess the cost to the owner? _____

- 10.) What is the Counties Weed Control Budget, including all contracted control services? Total Budget \$ _____

Break down your costs;

Seed _____	Labor _____	Weed commissioner % _____
Equipment _____	Other _____	IRVM Duties % _____
Chemical _____		Other Duties % _____

11.) The year in which you became County Weed Commissioner _____

12.) How many months were you employed as weed commissioner in 2011? _____

13.) Are your duties as weed commissioner incorporated into another county job?
_____ Yes _____ No If Yes, what? _____

14.) How does the overall county weed situation compare with last year?
_____ Improved _____ Unchanged _____ Worse

Why did the situation get better or worse?

15.) Is brush control included in your weed commissioner duties? _____ Yes _____ No
If yes, what method(s) do you use? _____ Spraying, _____ Cutting, _____ Stump
treatment, _____ Basal bark, _____ other, explain _____

16.) What are your suggestions and/or recommendations which may improve your
county weed and brush infestations?

15.) What would you like to see the Iowa Weed Commissioners organization do in
the future? What are some directions you think we should move towards?
What do you think should stay the same?

16.) **Email Address for “Point of Contact” within the County; Either Weed commissioner or administrative support.

(please write legibly)

17.) What herbicides did your county use in your weed control program. **Be specific, please list brand name and quantity of each.** If spray program is contracted in your county, ask your contractor for this information. Add another page if necessary.

Herbicide usage table;

CHEMICAL/BRAND	RATE USED	QUANTITY USED	TO CONTROL?
EXAMPLE MILESTONE	4 FLUID OUNCES/ACRE	425 OUNCES	THISTLE AND TEASEL ON ROADSIDE

The above report is true to the best of my knowledge.

County Weed Commissioner,

Date _____ Signature _____

Chairman, County Board of Supervisors,

Date _____ Signature _____

**RETURN A COPY TO: IOWA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND
 STEWARDSHIP
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