



2017 WEED COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

For the County of:

Hardin

Submit to County Board of Supervisors by: January 1, 2018
 Return copy to the IDALS office by: January 15, 2018

Weed Commissioner's Contact Information:

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

1 - Found, a problem in my county 3 - Not known in my county
 2 - Found, but not a problem ? - If you cannot identify this plant

Primary Noxious Weeds	Answer	Secondary Noxious Weeds	Answer
Buckhorn	2	Buckhorn Plantain	2
Bull Thistle	2	Cocklebur	2
Canada Thistle	1	Curly Dock (Sour Dock)	2
Field Bindweed	1	Multiflora Rose	1
Hoary Cress (Perennial Pepper-grass)	2	Poison Hemlock	1
Horse Nettle	2	Puncturevine	2
Leafy Spurge	3	Red Sorrel (Sheep Sorrel)	2
Musk Thistle	1	Shattercane	2
Palmer Amaranth	3	Smooth Dock	2
Perennial Sow Thistle	1	Teasel	2
Purple Loosestrife	3	Velvetleaf (Butterprint)	2
Quackgrass	2	Wild Carrot	1 2
		Wild Mustard	2
		Wild Sunflower	2

Please list any other plants which are a problem in your county:

Wild Parsnip, Giant ragweed

As County Weed Commissioner, do your duties include roadside spraying?

Yes

Did your county employ contract spraying during 2017?

NO

If yes, what percentage of your total spray program is contracted? (%)

If possible, please list the contract rates (\$/mile)

Total contract cost (\$)

0

In the past year how much did your county spend on purchasing herbicides?

7,604.15

How many times during 2017 was it necessary to serve a noxious weed notice?

Private (written)

0

Public (written) e.g. DOT, DNR, CCB, etc

0

How many times did you contact individuals personally, rather than sending them a weed control notice?

Private (verbal)

0

Public (verbal) e.g. DOT, DNR, CCB, etc

0

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

0

How many months were you employed as weed commissioner in 2017?

7 months

Are your duties as Weed Commissioner incorporated into another county job?

Yes

If yes, what?

Roadside ~~IRVM~~ Vegetation manager (IRVM)

Weed Commissioner Duties (% of time)

20%

IRVM Duties (% of time)

80%

Other County Duties (% of time)

NA

How does the overall county weed situation compare with last year?

unchanged

Is brush control included in your weed commissioner duties?

Yes

If yes, what methods do you use?

Spraying

Yes

Cutting

Yes

Stump Treatment

Yes

Basal Bark

No

Other, explain

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

Coming in as a new weed commissioner, I recommend spraying during active growing seasons, spraying in sections so work is done responsibly instead of rushing. Keeping better records.

What would you like to see the Iowa Weed Commissioners' Association do in the future? What are some directions you think we should move forward? What do you think should stay the same?

It would be nice for new weed commissioners with no experience to have some kind of seminar available to get familiar with laws and processes, examples of letters that would be sent to the news paper / public would be helpful.

What herbicides did your county use in your weed control program? *Be specific; please list brand names and quantities of each.* Please do not list surfactants or adjuvants. If the 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 per acre	425 ounces	Thistle and teasel on roadside
Milestone	7oz / 100gals	70 oz	Thistle, ^{wild} Persnip
Escort	2oz / 100gals	14 oz	wild Persnip

CHEMICAL/BRAND	RATE USED	QUANTITY USED	TO CONTROL?
Pathway	RTU	30 gal	all brush for Stump treatment
Pathfinder II	RTU	15 gal	all brush for Stump treatment
Streamline	902/1009 gal	90 oz	Locust, hawt sucker

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

Signature Megan Adams
County Weed Commissioner

1/9/2018
Date

Signature _____
Chair, County Board of Supervisors

Date

Please return a copy to:

Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship
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