

FRANKLIN COUNTY WEED BOARD

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Agenda

Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board Meeting

Monday June 16, 2014

7:00PM

LOCATION: Weed Board Office, 502 Boeing Street, Port of Pasco

Call to order at 7:00 pm

Review and approve minutes from May 19, 2014 meeting

OLD BUSINESS

Monthly Financial – Review of the May Treasurers Report, P&L comparison 2013-2014 (to date & monthly) with Budget update

Meetings & Events Attended –DOT Meeting May 21, Vic & Betsy

NEW BUSINESS

RSI has been treating right of way. This year the Rail Road is using a new mix which includes Round-up at very high rates. Unfortunately this will have a negative impact on all grasses and other beneficial vegetation. Bare ground allows the opportunity for Kochia and other noxious weeds to start; this is disappointing because we have made good progress getting some competitive vegetation started.

Biocontrol release – Diffuse Bugs – received bugs from Jennifer. Where we have placed bugs in the past we are finding significant numbers this year and a reduction in diffuse population. Two new releases in city limits. Two Dalmation Toadflax releases in Smith Canyon on Bureau of Reclamation ground.

County Rd – Spring Residual payment received, Task 1 completed & billed, Marcus Miller staying on to assist staff with projects. Scouting of sprayed roads underway to make recommendations on Task 2. Testing a new tracking system. Still considering SP2 conversion.

Robin – Website information --- up and running! Tackweed pull cancelled for this year.

WDFW – Robin and Philip Buser have been out on FW managed land surveying and spraying noxious weeds this month.

Puncturevine Test Plot – Fred Olberding circle corner.

Todd – Trail spraying with Marcus Miller /// 228 hrs. x 16 = \$3648

Benton Co. Weed – Vic – Mark Nielson has presented option 1 thru 3 to the Benton board last week. The goal is to obtain a coordinator for the Benton weed board, allowing the Conservation group to exit the management of the weed board. January 2015 is the target date for all of this to happen, depending on politics, budget requirements and general slow movement of government this will be a difficult goal to meet.

BLM--Sean MacDougall proposal for pilot project, \$2,500 for surveying & treatment.

Upcoming Meetings & Events – Municipal meeting June 18, Benton City Chamber Meeting June 19, CWMA Meeting June 24

Sign Vouchers

Payroll expense May \$19,311.62

Next meeting Monday July 21, 2014 7 pm

Please call the office or email by 8 am Monday July 21, 2014, if you are unable to attend the meeting.

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