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Weed Resolution: Noxious Weeds to Be Destroyed

The Fayette County Board of Supervisors, in their official meeting (list date) adopted the following resolution:

1. Each owner and person in possession or control of any lands in Fayette County shall be responsible for controlling noxious weeds in such a way as to prevent them from reseeding or otherwise coming to maturity. Special precautions should be taken where said weeds would interfere with safe use of public roadways.
2. Date for control of noxious weeds for all species is (list date or dates).
3. Failure to comply with the provisions of this policy will result in the Weed Commissioner causing control measures to be implemented, and the cost of these measures, including the cost of serving notice, to be assessed against the landowner(s). In the case of noxious weeds on Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) lands, fines will be assessed by the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office in West Union. In all cases, the weeds will still have to be destroyed.
4. The Fayette County auditor is directed to publish this notice in each of the official newspapers in the county.
5. On roll call vote, all voted aye, none nay, and the resolution was adopted.

WEED COMMISSIONER

PUBLIC NOTICE

(date sent)

Pursuant to Section 317 of the Code of Iowa known as the Iowa Weed Law, and by resolution of the Fayette County Board of Supervisors, Fayette County Weed Commissioner Jonathan Steege hereby declares (date) as the deadline for destroying noxious weeds in Fayette County. Special emphasis is put on Canada and Bull Thistles under the county's weed control plan. Where thistles are not destroyed by (date) notice will be served, and fines imposed. Further non-compliance will result in the Weed Commissioner, his Deputies and/or employees entering the land for the purpose of destroying the weeds, with all costs borne by the landowner. Iowa law provides these assessments can be attached to the tax rolls.

Weeds may be destroyed in any manner appropriate to prevent seed production and shall include mowing, pulling, cutting, and spraying. This is the official published notice to control those weeds.

(Please publish this notice once the week of (date) , and send the bill to Fayette County Conservation Board

18673 Lane Road

Fayette, Iowa 52142

WEED COMMISSIONER

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News Release

For Immediate Release

From: Jon Steege, Weed Commissioner

RE: Noxious Weeds

The Time to Control Weeds is Now

Fayette County's Weed Commissioner, Jon Steege announces that the deadline is (list date or dates) for the destruction of noxious weeds in Fayette County. This includes weeds on farmland, conservation Reserve Program (CRP) lands, and land within the limits of cities. The Weed Commissioner and his deputies will be checking the county in the near future for compliance. Those persons not controlling their weeds in compliance with Iowa's Weed Law will be notified to use whatever appropriate method they choose to eradicate the weed problem. Failure to do so can incur penalties including, but not limited to, daily fines for non-compliance, and the Weed commissioner and his deputies or employees entering upon the land to control the weed problem, with all costs borne by the **Landowner**. Iowa law provides these assessments can be attached to the tax rolls for collection. In all cases where penalties are assessed, the weed control will still be required to be implemented.

Weeds maybe destroyed in any manner appropriate to prevent seed production, and shall include mowing, pulling, burning, cutting, or spraying To report weed infestations, phone (contact number or numbers), or leave a message after hours.

WEED COMMISSIONER

NOTICE

To:

As the owner and/or person in possession or control of the real estate described below, you are hereby notified pursuant to Iowa Code Section 317.6 of your failure to comply with the resolution adopted by the Fayette County Board of Supervisors on (date) which requires that all noxious weeds be cut or otherwise destroyed on or before July of this year, and as set forth in the Iowa Weed Law. The property in question is as follows:

Weeds may be destroyed in any manner appropriate to prevent seed production and shall include mowing, pulling, cutting, and spraying. This needs to be done immediately! Further non-compliance will result in the Weed Commissioner, his deputies and/or employees causing the weeds to be destroyed, with all costs of destruction borne by the landowner. Fines may also be assessed. Iowa law provides these assessments can be attached to the tax rolls. Please handle this problem as soon as possible.

In cases where the thistles are present on Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) lands, CSFA (formerly ASCS) will assess fines for non-compliance. These fines will be withheld from your CRP payments as stipulated in the CRP contract. This is the only notice you will receive. Please act accordingly.

WHERE FINES AND/OR PENALTIES ARE ASSESSED, THE WEEDS WILL STILL HAVE TO BE CONTROLLED.

Jon Steege, Weed Commissioner
Fayette County Conservation

\$110.00

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