

**RESOLUTION No. 2009-16**

**WEED CONTROL RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SIOUX COUNTY, IOWA:

That pursuant to provisions of Chapter 317, Code of Iowa, it is hereby ordered

- 1) That each owner and each person in the possession or control of any land shall cut, burn or otherwise destroy all noxious weeds thereon, as defined in this Chapter, at such times in each year and in such manner as shall prevent said weeds from blooming bearing seeds or coming to maturity, and shall keep said lands free from such growth of any other weeds as shall render the streets or highways adjoining said land unsafe for public travel. Noxious weeds shall be cut, burned or otherwise destroyed on or before the following dates and as often thereafter as necessary to prevent seed production:

Group 1: July 1 for Leafy Spurge; Marijuana Plants; Perennial Pepper-grass; Buckthorn (Rhamnus, not to include Rhamnus Frangula); Sour Dock Perennial, Smooth Dock Perennial and Sheep Sorrel Perennial.

Group 2: July 1, for Canada Thistle; Russian Knapweed; Buckhorn; Perennial and Wild Mustard Annual.

Group 3: July 15 for European Morning Glory or Field Bindweed; Wild Carrot Biennial, also known as Queen Anne's Lace; Poison Hemlock and Multiflora Rose.

Group 4: July 15 for Horse Nettle; Perennial Sow Thistle; Quack Gras; Butterprint Annual; Cocklebur; Bull Thistle; Wild Sunflower Annual; Teasel Biennial; Puncture Vine Annual; Shattercane Annual and all other species of thistles belonging in genera of Cirsium and Carduus.

- 2) That each owner and each person in the possession or control of land including right of way in Sioux County infested with any noxious weeds listed above shall adopt a program of weed destruction described by the Weed Commissioner which in five years may be expected to destroy and will immediately keep under control such infestations of said noxious weeds.
- 3) That if the owners or persons in possession or control of any land including right of way in Sioux County fail to comply with the foregoing orders, the Weed Commissioner shall cause this to be done and the expense of said work, including cost of serving notice and other costs, if any, to be assessed against the real estate.
- 4) Sioux County has discontinued the Annual Spot Spraying Program of noxious weeds and other weed types growing in Sioux County Secondary Road ditches. It will be the responsibility of each owner and each person in the possession or control of land to destroy said weeds in Sioux County Secondary Road Ditches.
- 5) That the County Auditor be and is hereby directed to cause notice of the making and entering the foregoing order by one publication in each of the official newspapers of the County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Sioux County be designated as a weed control unit.

BY ORDER OF THE SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Signed and dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2009.

ATTEST



Lois Huitink  
Sioux County Auditor



Mark Sybesma, Chairman  
Sioux County Board of Supervisors