

Weed & Pest Happenings

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The Leaves are Falling ... Now What?

The leaves are falling, autumn is here, weed spraying season is coming to a close, temperatures are finally cooling off, now what?

It is a good time to turn our attention to what we can prepare for over the winter. Here are a few suggestions:

1. Plan for storing any chemicals in a place where they will not freeze.
2. Remember prairie dog bait (a restricted use product) can only be purchased and used between November 1st and March 15th.
3. Talk with LCWP to plan the best timing for controlling cheatgrass.
4. Need a pesticide applicator license to purchase restricted use products? Call LCWP to find a class to attend next spring.



Diffuse Knapweed

Diffuse knapweed is a non-native biennial noxious weed that reproduces solely by seed. It can produce up to 18,000 seeds per plant. When it dries up, it breaks off at the ground and becomes a tumbleweed that will spread still viable seeds over long distances. Therefore, preventing seed production is the key to managing it.

You tend to find diffuse knapweed in disturbed, overgrazed areas. It easily outcompetes and crowds out desirable native plants and grasses.

Control it with chemicals. Mechanically kill it by severing the root below the soil surface and be sure to properly dispose of it. And biological control with seedhead weevils and the root weevil fly but this is a slow method and for large infestations.

It is on the LCWP Special Management Program where cost share on chemical and labor is available. Call for more information about Special Management.

EVENTS:

- 🍁 Board meeting: Oct. 6, 22 @ Archer
- 🍁 Board meeting: Nov. 10, 22 @ Archer
- 🍁 Board meeting: Dec. 8, 22 @ Archer

OFFICES CLOSED:

- 🍁 October 10 – Columbus Day
- 🍁 November 11 – Veteran's Day
- 🍁 Nov. 24 – Thanksgiving Day
- 🍁 Nov. 25 – Thanksgiving Friday
- 🍁 December 26 – Christmas Day

 *happy fall y'all*

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