

MINUTES OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA WEED & PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING
FEBRUARY 18, 2015 – 1:30 pm
Ramkota Hotel & Conference Center – Rapid City, SD

Chairman Lynn Diebert called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm, February 18, 2015.

Members Present: Commissioners Ron Thyen, Floyd Muntefering, Duane Buckmeier, Craig Magedanz, Game Fish & Parks representative Paul Coughlin, Department of Transportation Representative Jason Humphrey, Commissioner of School and Public Lands – Ryan Brunner and Commission Secretary Brenda Sievers.

Ex-Officio Members Present: Dept. of Ag representative Brandon Beshears and SDSU representative Paul Johnson.

Also present were those listed on Exhibit #1. Introductions were made.

Ryan Brunner made a motion to approve the agenda (Exhibit #2). Seconded by Floyd Muntefering. Motion carried.

The Chairman asked for any changes to the minutes of the September 9, 2014, meeting. A motion was made by Ron Thyen to approve the minutes. Seconded by Ryan Brunner. Motion carried.

New Business

Requests for Locally Declared Noxious Weeds & Pests (Exhibit #3)

(R) = Renewal / (N) = New request / (NN) = New & not in Rules, would need rules hearing

Beadle County – Bull Thistle (R)

Custer County – Black Henbane (R), **Tarragon (NN)**

Davison County – Yellow Toadflax (R)

Deuel County – Yellow Toadflax (R)

Fall River County – Common Mullein (R), Houndstongue (N)

Hyde County – Bull Thistle (R), Houndstongue (R)

Pennington County – Houndstongue (R), Sulfur Cinquefoil (R), **Japanese Beetle (NN)**

Spink County – Yellow Toadflax (R)

Discussion was held on the locally noxious weed requests. A motion was made by Paul Coughlin to approve all the locally noxious weed requests, with the exception of Custer County for Tarragon and Pennington County for Japanese Beetle. Seconded by Floyd Muntefering. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the request to add Tarragon to the locally noxious weed listing. A motion was made by Ron Thyen to have a public hearing to approve putting Tarragon on the local list for counties. Seconded by Floyd Muntefering. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the request to add Japanese beetle to the locally noxious pest listing. A motion was made by Ron Thyen to have a public hearing to approve putting Japanese Beetle on the local list for counties. Seconded by Ryan Brunner. Motion carried.

Weed & Pest Coordinator Report was given by Brenda Sievers. Brenda reported on shows attended and upcoming county annual meetings that staff can attend.

Weed & Pest Supervisor Report was given by Ron Moehring. Ron talked about supervisor changes. Black Hills Stock Show and Watertown Farm Shows were attended by Department staff. Noxious weed acres are up this past year.

CAPS report was given by Dale Anderson. He discussed the surveys that were done in 2014 and the planned survey work for 2015. Mike Stenson reported on the CAPS projects that he assisted with, including the alfalfa weevil parasitoid, purple loosestrife and bio-control monitoring projects.

Weed & Pest Competitive Grant Reports from FY2015 were given on the following:

| Grant # | Organization | Contact person | | Project |
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| WP-C15-1 | Assn of SD County Weed & Pest Boards | Gary | Pribyl | 2014 South Dakota Noxious Weed & Pest Alert |
| WP-C15-3 | Hyde | Mikka | Pechacek | Hyde County Public Education of State & Hyde County Locally Noxious Weeds |
| WP-C15-5 | Clay | Dennis | Ganschow | Missouri River & Its Tributaries, Salt Cedar Evaluation, Control & Eradication |
| WP-C15-8 | Fall River | Nina | Steinmetz | Salt Cedar Challenge Part 2 - Fall River County |
| WP-C15-10 | Haakon | Virgil | Smith | Cheyenne River Salt Cedar Mapping & Control |
| WP-C15-11 | Charles Mix | Jon | Finney | Charles Mix County Hoary Cress Eradication Project |
| WP-C15-13 | Butte | Bill | Eck | Hoary Cress Education & Chemical Cost Share |
| WP-C15-14 | SDSU Weed & IPM Program | Paul | Johnson | Revision & Publishing of the Book "South Dakota Weeds" |
| WP-C15-15 | SDSU Weed & IPM Program | Paul | Johnson | Noxious Weed Field Evaluation & Demonstration |
| WP-C15-17 | Deuel County | Mike | Hinsvark | Queen Anne's Lace Control & Continuation of Common Tansy & Wild Parsnip Containment Project |
| WP-C15-18 | Deuel County & SDSU IPM Program | Mike | Hinsvark | Extension of Poison Hemlock Demonstration Plt |
| WP-C15-19 | Meade | Nathan | Jagim | Meade County Tamarix Management Project |
| WP-C15-20 | Pennington | Scott | Guffey | Early Detection & Rapid Response to Spurge Flax & Sulphur Cinquifol |
| WP-C15-21 | SISMA | Dennie | Mann | Developing & Implementing Biological Control Solutions for Hoary Cress, Houndstongue and Toadflaxes in South Dakota |
| WP-C15-24 | Stanley | Kelly | McCollam | Hoary Cress Mapping, Control & Education Project |
| WP-C15-25 | SD-Nebraska Purple Loosestrife Mgmt Project | Neil | VonEschen | SD/NE PLS Management Project |
| WP-C15-28 | Belle Fourche Watershed/Belle Fourche River Weed Mgmt Area | Nathan | Jagim | Control of Phragmites in the Belle Fourche River Watershed through Butte, Lawrence & Meade Counties |

Paul Johnson from SDSU requested an extension for grant WP-C15-14. A motion was made by Floyd Muntefering, seconded by Duane Buckmeier, to allow SDSU an extension on grant WP-C15-14 until December 31, 2015. Motion carried.

FY2016 Weed & Pest Control Commission Discussion & Decisions on Weed & Pest Fund Grants

FY2016 Regular/Contractual Weed & Pest Grant Applications - \$2,500 /\$5,000 divided amongst qualifying applicants (\$330,000 available) (Exhibit #4)

| Grant # | Organization | Contact person | | Project |
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| WP-16-1 | Minnehaha | Ralph | Hammer | Chemical, Seasonal Labor |
| WP-16-2 | Pennington | Scott | Guffey | Chemical, Seasonal Labor |
| WP-16-3 | Brown | Mike | Rohrbach | Promotional Items, Chemicals, Seasonal Labor, Radio Ads |

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| WP-16-4 | Beadle | Larry | Neuharth | Chemical |
| WP-16-5 | Codington | Steve | Molengraaf | Chemical, Spraying Equipment, Seasonal Labor |
| WP-16-6 | Brookings | Gary | Egeberg | Chemicals |
| WP-16-7 | Yankton | Tom | Schramm | Chemicals |
| WP-16-8 | Davison | Clayton | Wells | Chemicals |
| WP-16-9 | Lawrence | David | Heck | Herbicides |
| WP-16-10 | Aurora | Dale | Steffen | Chemical |
| WP-16-12 | Bon Homme | Charlie | Bode | Chemicals, New Pump Motor |
| WP-16-13 | Brule | Shannon | Rasmussen | Chemicals, Updates to Weed Equipment |
| WP-16-14 | Buffalo | David | Gaulke | Chemicals, Sprayer Updates, Advertising, Seasonal Labor |
| WP-16-15 | Butte | Don | Adams | Seasonal Labor & Chemicals |
| WP-16-16 | Campbell | Shane | Cleghorn | Chemical, Equipment for Weed Control, Contract/Seasonal Labor, Promotional Items |
| WP-16-17 | Charles Mix | Jon | Finney | Chemical, Aid in Bio Control for Leafy Spurge & Purple Loosestrife |
| WP-16-18 | Clark | Larry | Lynch | Chemical |
| WP-16-19 | Clay | Dennis | Ganschow | Chemicals |
| WP-16-20 | Corson | Loyson | Carda | Chemical, Prairie Dog Bait, Contract/Seasonal Labor, Promotional/Education, County Spray Equipment |
| WP-16-21 | Custer | Carley | Buckert | Chemicals, Maintaining Spray Equipment, Education |
| WP-16-22 | Day | Charles | Fromelt | Chemicals, Contract Services for Labor & Equipment |
| WP-16-23 | Deuel | Mike | Hinsvark | Chemical, Seasonal Labor, Sprayer Repairs & Pump Repairs, New Transfer Pump |
| WP-16-25 | Douglas | Floyd | Muntefering | Chemical |
| WP-16-26 | Edmunds | Lenny | Uhrich | Chemicals |
| WP-16-27 | Fall River | Nina | Steinmetz | Chemicals, Purchase/Upgrade Spraying Tanks, Nozzles, Pumps, Hoses & Fittings, Educational Materials, Promotional Items |
| WP-16-28 | Faulk | Roger | Dieter | Chemicals, Contract Labor |
| WP-16-29 | Grant | Nathan | Mueller | Chemical, Application Equipment, Labor |
| WP-16-30 | Gregory | Dewayne | Bennett | Chemical |
| WP-16-31 | Haakon | Virgil | Smith | Chemicals, Application Equipment, Repairs to Equipment |
| WP-16-32 | Hamlin | Bob | Feldhus | Seasonal Labor, Chemicals |
| WP-16-33 | Hand | Randy | Peck | Chemical, Spraying Equipment, Seasonal Labor |
| WP-16-34 | Hanson | Vince | Kayser | Chemical |
| WP-16-35 | Harding | Don | Bruha | Chemicals, Application Equipment, Seasonal Labor, Educational Projects, Training & Certification for Supervisor |
| WP-16-36 | Hughes | Don | Korkow | Contract Labor, Chemicals |
| WP-16-37 | Hutchinson | Lonnie | Mayer | Chemicals & Contractual Labor |
| WP-16-38 | Hyde | Mikka | Pechacek | Contract Sprayer to Apply Herbicides to ROWs |
| WP-16-39 | Jackson | Kelly | Fortune | Chemicals, Education, Salaries, Promotional Items, Equipment, Repairs, Contract Spraying |
| WP-16-40 | Jerauld | Gene | Fastnacht | Chemicals |
| WP-16-41 | Jones | Travis | Hendricks | Chemical, Seasonal Labor, Advertising, Equipment Rental, Meeting Expense |
| WP-16-42 | Kingsbury | Amy | Wilkinson | Chemicals, Seasonal/Contractual Labor |
| WP-16-43 | Lake | Robert | Johnson | Chemical |

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| WP-16-44 | Lincoln | Steve | Williams | Chemical |
| WP-16-46 | McCook | Geralyn | Sherman | Chemicals, Publish Media Notices |
| WP-16-47 | McPherson | Stan | Spitzer | Chemical |
| WP-16-48 | Marshall | David | Nelson | Chemicals |
| WP-16-49 | Meade | Nathan | Jagim | Chemicals |
| WP-16-51 | Miner | Bob | Calmus | Chemicals |
| WP-16-53 | Perkins | Loyson | Carda | Contractual/Seasonal Labor, Chemical, Promotional & Educational Material, Spray Equipment |
| WP-16-54 | Potter | Steve | Smith | Chemical |
| WP-16-55 | Roberts | Ed | Yost | Chemical, Seasonal Labor |
| WP-16-56 | Sanborn | Lee | Goergen | Chemicals |
| WP-16-57 | Spink | Michael | Esser | Chemical, Promotional Items |
| WP-16-58 | Stanley | Kelly | McCollam | Chemicals, Seasonal/Contractual Labor |
| WP-16-59 | Sully | Paula | Barber | Chemicals, Advertising |
| WP-16-60 | Tripp | Greg | Womeldorf | Chemical |
| WP-16-61 | Turner | Wesley | Steiner | Chemicals, Meeting Meal Costs, Postage |
| WP-16-62 | Union | Janet | Lingle | Chemicals |
| WP-16-63 | Walworth | Shannon | Thompson | Chemicals, ATV Sprayer, Pickup Sprayer, Sprayer Parts |

FY2016 Weed & Pest Control Commission Competitive Weed & Pest Grant Applications (\$320,000 available)
(Exhibit #5)

| Grant # | County/Organization | Contact person | | Project |
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| WP-C16-1 | Butte | Clint | Pitts | Hoary Cress Education & Chemical Cost Share |
| WP-C16-2 | SDSU | Darrell | Deneke | Noxious Weed Field Evaluation, Demonstration & Education Program |
| WP-C16-3 | Assn of SD County Weed & Pest Boards | Gary | Pribyl | 2015 Association Noxious Weed & Pest Awareness Project |
| WP-C16-4 | Hyde | Mikka | Pechacek | Hyde County Public Education of Identification & Control of State & Local Noxious Weeds |
| WP-C16-5 | Lawrence | David | Heck | Taxing District |
| WP-C16-6 | Stanley | Kelly | McCollam | Hoary Cress Mapping, Control & Education Project |
| WP-C16-7 | Custer | Caley | Buckert | Hoary Cress Control Project |
| WP-C16-8 | Fall River | Nina | Steinmetz | Hoary Cress Assistance in Fall River County |
| WP-C16-9 | Fall River | Nina | Steinmetz | Cheyenne River Challenge - Fall River County |
| WP-C16-10 | Hamlin County & SDSU IPM | Bob | Feldhus | Hamlin County & Estelline High School Joint Biocontrol Project |
| WP-C16-11 | SISMA | Dennie | Mann | Developing & Implementing BioControl Solutions for Hoary Cress, Houndstongue & Toadflaxes in SD |
| WP-C16-12 | SISMA | Dennie | Mann | The Invader - Educational Newspaper Insert |
| WP-C16-13 | Butte | Clint | Pitts | Weed Eaters for Mechanical Control of Noxious Weeds When Herbicides Are Not an Option |
| WP-C16-14 | Sully | Paula | Barber | Use Modern Technology to Update Noxious Weeds Video to a Memory Stick |

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| WP-C16-15 | Belle Fourche Watershed/ | Nathan | Jagim | Control of Phragmites in the Belle Fourche River Watershed Through Butte, Lawrence & Meade Counties |
| WP-C16-16 | Meade | Nathan | Jagim | Badlands Creek Watershed Tamarix Project |
| WP-C16-17 | Meade | Nathan | Jagim | Sulfur Cinquefoil Control Project |
| WP-C16-18 | SD/NE Purple Loosestrife | Neil | Von Eschen | SD/NE Purple Loosestrife Management |

Grant Committee Spokesman Paul Coughlin went over the committee recommendations for the regular/contractual grants and the competitive grants.

The grant review committee recommended approving the following competitive grants:

- WP-C16-1 (\$25,000)
- WP-C16-2 (\$47,000)
- WP-C16-3 (\$45,000)
- WP-C16-4 (\$1,520)
- WP-C16-6 (\$4,500)
- WP-C16-7 (\$46,156)
- WP-C16-8 (\$7,200)
- WP-C16-9 (\$15,000)
- WP-C16-10 (\$3,970)
- WP-C16-11 (\$20,000)
- WP-C16-12 (\$3,000)
- WP-C16-15 (\$50,000)
- WP-C16-16 (\$6,000)
- WP-C16-17 (\$5,500)
- WP-C16-18 (\$12,656)

Chairman Diebert went over the items that counties requested on their contractual/regular grants that are not allowed. Any grants that are approved – if spray equipment is approved, no trucks will be allowed. Any meetings will be meeting room expense and coffee only. If advertising, no legal notices are allowed. If labor is requested, only seasonal or contractual labor is allowed – no supervisor's wages.

The total amount of the competitive grants recommended for approval is \$292,502.

A motion was made by Ron Thyen to approve the contractual/regular grants and the competitive grants as recommended by the Committee. Floyd Muntefering seconded. Motion carried.

Grant Signatory Authority

Brenda Sievers briefed the Commission on the contracts that are signed after the Commission approval of the grants, and who is authorized to sign the contracts on behalf of the Commission. A motion was made by Paul Coughlin to grant signatory authority on the Weed and Pest Grant Contracts to the Secretary of the South Dakota Department of Agriculture, or his designee. Seconded by Jason Humphrey. Motion carried.

Aquatic Nuisance Species

Paul Coughlin briefed the Commission on the proposed rules that will be coming before the Game Fish and Parks Commission to add Phragmites to the Aquatic Nuisance Species Listing. The intent of the rules is to prevent the movement of Aquatic Nuisance Species from being moved from waterbody to waterbody. It will allow GF&P personnel to have watercraft cleaned before leaving one waterbody, so movement doesn't take place to another waterbody.

Annual Meeting Date

The Annual Meeting and the Rules Hearing tentative date were discussed, but will depend on hearing date and room availability. Brenda will let everyone know when she can get it scheduled, but will try for the 2nd week of April.

Approval of Bills

A motion was made by Floyd Muntefering and seconded by Craig Magedanz to approve the bills for this meeting, Weed & Pest Conference and the review committee meetings. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ryan Brunner, seconded by Duane Buckmeier, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Brenda Sievers
Commission Secretary

Lynn Deibert, Commission Chairman
(Approved Minutes)

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