



JEFFERSON COUNTY NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD MEETING February 15 2012

Coordinator's Report, mid-November 2011 to mid-February 2012

(This report covers only Jefferson County work, 1 to 2 days each week. Most of November and December were spent working in Clallam County on the Knotweed and Forest Service Reports)

Administrative

- Prepared new Jefferson County Noxious Weed List and mailed it to 35 potentially interested persons.
- Put a notice in The Leader on February 8th, announcing the Public Hearing on the Weed List and giving dates of Weed Board meetings throughout the year, as required by law.
- Also put notices in the paper advertising Richard Hild's position and contacted one person who may be interested.
- Prepared a grant proposal for money from the Forest Health Protection Fund, for help with knotweed coordination.

Outreach

- Wrote to all landowners with poison hemlock that are NOT in Port Townsend. This is something I do every year to encourage them to pull early and try to get rid of poison hemlock OUTSIDE of Port Townsend.
- Created a ListServe and a monthly newsletter—mainly to encourage volunteer activity.
- Continued to update the website
- Coordinated a weed-pulling day at Fort Worden, April 21st.
- Coordinated and participated in poison hemlock removal at Blue Heron School (including meeting with Gene Laes, School Superintendent) and at Froggy Bottoms.
- Began outreach to landowners in the Eaglemount area, where we plan to have DOT spray wild chervil.

Contracts

- Continued coordinating with the Watershed Stewardship Resource Center, regarding work the Weed Board will do for them and get paid for.
- Continued contacting landowners with knotweed, on behalf of the Quinault Indian Nation. This is something the Weed Board is contracted to do.
- Helped coordinate a contract with County Roads, who will pay the Weed Board \$4,000 a year for the next 5 years, for help with weed control on county roads.

Other

- Coordinated pesticide license testing in Port Hadlock, February 15th, mainly for WCC crews.