

GENERAL NOTICE TO CONTROL OR ERADICATE NOXIOUS WEEDS

Notice is hereby given this 1st day of May, 2017, pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes, Section 18.83, Subdivision 1 (2013)*, that all persons in Carver County, Minnesota, shall control or eradicate all noxious weeds on land they own, occupy or are required to maintain. Control or eradication may be accomplished by any lawful method, but the method(s) applied may need to be repeated in order to prevent the spread of viable noxious weed seeds and other propagating parts to other lands. Failure to comply with the general notice may mean that an individual notice, *Minnesota Statutes, Section 18.83, Subdivision 2 (2013)*, will be issued. An individual notice may be appealed within two working days of receipt to the appeal committee in the county where the land is located. Failure to comply with an individual notice will mean that the inspector having jurisdiction may either hire the work done or seek a misdemeanor charge against the person(s) who failed to comply. If the work is contracted for hire by the inspector, the cost can be placed as a tax upon the land and collected as other real estate taxes are collected. You may obtain a list of the plants that are designated noxious and the members of the appeal committee from your County Agricultural Inspector or County-Designated Employee. You can also obtain this information from your Local Weed Inspectors. Local Weed Inspectors include the township supervisors, city mayors or their appointed assistants. More information regarding the MN Noxious Weed Law and a list of County Agricultural Inspectors and County Designated Employees can be obtained from the Minnesota Department of Agriculture's Web Site by visiting:

<http://www.mda.state.mn.us/plants/pestmanagement/weedcontrol.aspx> .

Prohibited Noxious Weeds: plants that have the potential or are known to be detrimental to human or animal health, the environment, public roads, crops, livestock, or other property. There are two regulatory listings:

Eradicate List: These plants are not currently known to be present in Minnesota or are not widely established. These species must be eradicated, meaning all of the above and below ground parts of the plant must be destroyed. No transportation, propagation, or sale of these plants is allowed and measures must be taken to prevent and exclude these species from being introduced in Minnesota.

Control List: These plants are established throughout Minnesota or regions of the state. Species on this list must be controlled, meaning efforts must be made to destroy all propagating parts and prevent seed maturation and dispersal, thereby reducing established populations and preventing reproduction. Transportation, propagation, or sale of these plants is prohibited.

Restricted Noxious Weeds: These plants are restricted noxious weeds whose only feasible means of control is to prohibit the importation, sale, and transportation of them or their propagating parts:

Specially Regulated Plants: These plants have been determined to pose ecological, economical, or human or animal health concerns. Measures must be taken to minimize the potential for harm caused by these plants:

The 2017 list of Noxious weeds can be viewed here:

<http://www.mda.state.mn.us/plants/pestmanagement/weedcontrol/noxiouslist.aspx>

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