

Cass County Weed Control Board
Cass County Weed Control Office
1201 West Main Ave, West Fargo
October 3, 2016

The Cass County Weed Board has cancelled their October 10, 2016 meeting due to lack of business. The Weed Board will hold its next meeting as scheduled on November 14, 2016 at 10 am.

For information on any of the agenda items or the need for special accommodations contact: Stan Wolf, 701-298-2388, wolfs@casscountynd.gov

Weed Control Progress Report

October 3, 2016

Period from Sept 7 to Oct 3, 2016

submitted by Stan Wolf

Monthly Report

Road ditch spraying: J & J Spraying started spraying on Sept 10 using two Rangers and one truck. They have finished spraying I29, I94, state and county roads. They are concentrating on the township roads for the remainder of the season. Walker's Lawncare is continuing to spray township roads. The contractors are reporting their sprayed acres daily and the acres are added into a spreadsheet to keep track of total acres and costs. Our total budget for road ditch spraying is \$325,000. When the total expensed is approaching the budget limit I will order the contractors to stop spraying.

Acres sprayed and cost to date:

Contractor	Acres	Cost
J&J	3637	\$ 132,292.08
Walker	3402	\$ 123,841.90
	6806	\$ 256,133.98

Weed Control Staff spraying: several small locations and flood lots were sprayed by the weed officer.

Weed Complaints: A signed weed complaint was received from a resident in the Horace area stating that several undeveloped residential lots had a noxious weed infestation. The owner was sent notices of weed infestations for the four lots. The owner did not control the weeds, therefore a Notice to Control letter via certified mail was sent to the owner. The Notice to Control stated that the weeds need to be controlled by September 21, by either mowing or tillage. An inspection on Sept 22 showed that one lot was mowed but the three other lots were not controlled. A Notice of Enforcement was mailed out via certified letter stating that the Weed Officer would conduct a control effort on the lots. A call was placed to the owner stating that the enforcement will be undertaken. He asked for a meeting at the site which was done on Monday, Sept 26. Mr. Brennan and Mr. Wilcox attended the meeting with the owner and Weed Officer. Discussion was held regarding the lack of herbicide control applied by the owner. The owner agreed to mow the lots to comply with the control order and was completed on Sept 29. Issue resolved.

NDWCA Area meeting: The area meeting will be held at 9 am, Wednesday, Oct 26 at the Barnes County Highway Dept. Items to be discussed include; county weed board season reports, state funded LAP, upcoming legislative issues, proposed association

resolution and by-law changes, along with ND Dept. of Agriculture and industry reports.
If anyone wishes to attend you are welcome to ride along with me.

Upcoming Events:

NDWCA Area meeting
NDWCA Conference

Oct. 26, Valley City
Jan 10-12, Bismarck