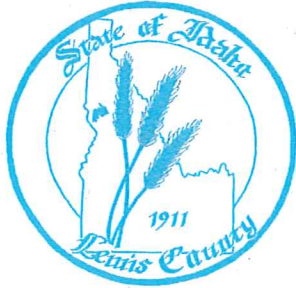


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Regarding: Negotiated Rule Making 02.06.22—Noxious Weed Rules, Docket # 02-0522-17xx

Dear Mr. Oakey,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this matter.

Please note that any listing of a plant to the Noxious Weed List puts additional burden on noxious weed managers across the state.

The Clearwater Basin CWMA is opposed to the listing of Yew species to our State Noxious Weed List. We are in alignment with Lewis County in the feeling that educational efforts by ISDA and proper labeling by the Greenhouse -Landscaping Industry would be more cost effective than a listing. Moreover we believe that adequate results will be achieved by these measures.

The many weed management areas across the state could be enlisted to help educate and inform the public. Our CWMA puts on clinics every spring. In the clinics we often touch on poisonous plants, with emphasis on those specific to our area.

Sincerely,

Chip Haight  
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