

IDAPA 02.06.09 Rules Governing Invasive Species and Noxious Weeds
Minutes of June 1, 2023, 10:00 am
Meeting held via Microsoft Teams Conference

Host/Facilitators: Nicholas Zurfluh – Idaho State Department of Agriculture
Jeremy Varley – Idaho State Department of Agriculture
Andrea Thompson – Idaho State Department of Agriculture

Stakeholders: Adam Schroeder – Ada County Weed Superintendent
Alan Martinson – Latah County Weed Superintendent, Idaho Noxious Weed Control Assn, Idaho Assn of Noxious Weed Control Superintendents
Cathy Ford – Idaho Transportation Department
Chase Youngdahl – Bonner County Weed Superintendent & Idaho Assn. of Noxious Weed Control Superintendents
Curtis Elke – FPAC-NRCS
Joshua Uriarte – Idaho Office of Species Conservation
Liz Hatter – Food NW and Far West Agribusiness Assoc.
Kelli Brassfield – Guest
Patxi Larrocea Phillips – Idaho Noxious Weed Control Association
Maureen Pepper – FPAC-NRCS
Mitch Whitmill – Jefferson County Weed Superintendent Idaho Association of Weed Control Superintendent.
Bryce Fowler – Fremont County Weed Superintendent
Steven Jirik – Guest
Lindy Downer – Guest

Department Staff: Dallas Burkhalter – Deputy Attorney General
Rowdy Keller – Intern Deputy Attorney General
Madison Leeman – Intern Deputy Attorney General
Paul Rhoades – Idaho State Department of Agriculture
Jennifer Roman – Idaho State Department of Agriculture
Austin Prestwich – Idaho State Department of Agriculture
Bailey Brunmeier – Idaho State Department of Agriculture
Saul Teska – Idaho State Department of Agriculture

Andrea Thompson opened the meeting at 10:00 am and outlined the rulemaking process and meeting expectations.

Nicholas Zurfluh reviewed:

- Subchapter A. Invasive Species. Updated link for Wildland Firefighter website. Mr. Jirik would like to see the name update for wildland firefighter to larger working group “The National Wildfire Coordination Group”.
Update to the Invasive Species list.

Jeremy Varley reviewed:

- Subchapter B. Noxious Weeds. Cogongrass permanently be added to Invasive list. Removal of Buffalobur. General discussion about purpose of removal for Buffalobur.
- Comment by Alan Martinson regarding the change of EDRR definition in rule to mirror Control and Contain. A written comment was sent showing this and supported by the noxious weed association and Weed Superintendent association.
- Subchapter C. No changes.

No other comments were offered by stakeholders.

Ms. Thompson advised comments being accepted through June 30, 2023. Meeting adjourned at 10:33 am.