

**IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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**RULES GOVERNING INVASIVE SPECIES AND NOXIOUS WEEDS
Minutes of July 29, 2024, Meeting
Meeting was live streamed via Teams**

DEPARTMENT STAFF:

Lloyd Knight – ISDA
Nic Zurfluh – ISDA
Jeremey Varley – ISDA
Tina Eiman - ISDA
Suzie Watson – ISDA
Austin Prestwich – ISDA
Jason Meyers - ISDA

OTHERS PRESENT:

Gina Lohnes
Mitch Whitmill
Ryan Mortensen
Joe Slichter
Sara Brown
Lanny Dohse
Mella-Dee Mayberry
Braden Jensen
Allison Ginn
Richard Fillmore
Will Johnson
Bonnie Davis
Bryce Fowler
Darren Krzesnik
Ben Hancock
John Hoadley
Katie Mink
Kathy Stewart-Williams
Selena Virden
Chase Youngdahl
Roger Batt
Alan Martinson
Mick Goff
Patxi Larrocea Phillips

The meeting was called to order by Lloyd Knight at 1:00pm MT.

INTRODUCTION

Lloyd thanked everyone for participating in the second rule making meeting for the petition listing. He introduced key ISDA personnel that would be reviewing the rule information.

PRESENTATION AND PROPOSED CHANGES

Jeremey Varley presented the two petitions before the group: Palmer amaranth and Myrtle spurge. He also reviewed considerations regarding the listing category of Turkish thistle, and language in the rule that was supposed to be added to legislation this year but was left off.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Roger Batt – Organization (IEOSA) opposed to Palmer listing

Patxi Larrocea Phillips – Organization opposed to Palmer listing. In favor of listing myrtle spurge. No stance yet on Turkish Thistle or editing the rule for EDRR language.

Mitch Whitmill – The Association of Noxious Weed Superintendents he represents has no position on myrtle spurge. They are in favor of reducing classification of Turkish Thistle. Jefferson County is opposed to listing myrtle spurge.

Bryce Fowler – Fremont County is opposed to listing myrtle spurge. They are also in favor of reducing the classification of Turkish Thistle.

Joe Slichter – In favor of reducing the classification of Turkish Thistle.

Bonnie Davis – Washington County is opposed to listing myrtle spurge.

Chase Youngdahl – In favor of listing myrtle spurge. In favor of reducing the classification of Turkish Thistle to the “Control” category.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business for this rule was discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

Lloyd Knight thanked everyone for coming and called adjournment to the meeting at 1:30pm MT.