

Skagit County Noxious Weed Control Board

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Minutes

Published Meeting November 21, 2024, 5:30pm Skagit County Noxious Weed Board In person in Skagit Room or Online Via Microsoft Teams

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- CALL TO ORDER
 - i. SG called meeting to order @ 5:33pm
- II. ROLL CALL
- i. SG, KA, JK, ML and EE@ 5:33pm
- III. AGENDA
 - a. November 21, 2024 Meeting Agenda
 - i. KA moves, JK seconds with change to sequence of continued business @ 5:33pm
- IV. MINUTES
 - a. July 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes
 - i. JK moves, KA seconds @ 5:34pm
- V. CONTINUED BUSINESS
 - a. Coordinator Report
 - i. See attached report 6:36pm
 - b. Roadside Noxious Weeds
 - SG lead discussion of the role the noxious weeds program has in supporting roadside maintenance, especially through early detection and rapid response. Discussed priority areas and weeds on roads. No further action needed beyond continued discussion with roads division. SG will attend meetings, if available. – 6:40pm

Chair: Sonny Gohrman (2) Board Members:

- Kevin Anderson (1)
- Jason Kleinhuizen (5)
- District 3 Vacant
- District 4 Vacant

Extension Agent: Don McMoran Coordinator: Madelyn Loy

Guests: Evan Emrick

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. 2025 Meeting Dates
 - i. KA moves to accept meeting dates with final meeting moved to November (below), JK seconds @ 6:42pm.

January 16, April 17, July 17 and November 20, 2025 @ 5:30pm.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

i. KA lead discussion of the importance of networking, and staff taking advantage of opportunities like the Weed Conference to connect and learn from others in the field. No action currently needed. – 6:44pm

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

i. SG moves to adjourn, KA seconds at 6:44pm



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Coordinator's report

November 21, 2024

General

- Staff
 - o Last day for seasonal staff: September 26.
 - o ML and EE have switched back to M-F 7:30am-4pm schedule for the winter season.
- 2024 Spartina Report
- 2024 Knotweed Report

LMDs

- Treatments completed on all lakes
- Reports due Jan 15
- LMD 4 reformation pending
- Hours this quarter: 10

Enforcements/Notifications

• None to report this quarter

Landowner Consultations

Email: ~16Phone: ~23Site visits: 5

Equipment Loans

• Weed Wrench: 2

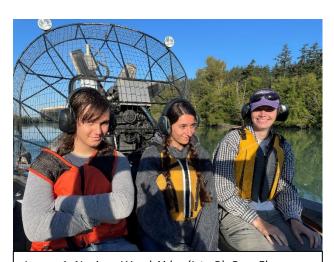


Image 1. Noxious Weed Aides (L to R): Ray, Elyssa and Allison departing Blake's Boat Launch for spartina survey.

Education and Outreach

- Skagit County Fair August 8-11
- Fidalgo Bay Day August 24
- Brochures to El Grito September 13
- WSU Extension Pasture Management
 Workshop September 17
- Shelter Bay CommUniversity November 12
- Upcoming: B&GC Field Trip, more tabling events?

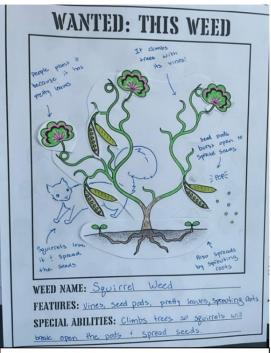


Image 3. NRD O&E Specialist, Anna, created an activity ahead of Fidalgo Bay Day where kids (and adults) can select features to "build a weed" and learn about some of the things that make noxious weeds so competitive.



Image 2. Noxious Weed Aide, Allison, staffing the Noxious Weed Board Booth at the Skagit County Fair.

Training

Weed Conference

Cooperative Projects/ Treatments

- ILA treatments w/ Sedro Woolley
- Discussing potential ILAs with WSP and WDFW
- Received two weeks assistance from DNR WCC
- Assisted with NRSP project treatments
- Assisted with SWP facility treatments
- Compiled BMPs for private SW facilities
- Met with STN to discuss Strategic Plan updates

• Spartina CWMA work



Budget Summary

Ju	ly 2023-June 2	2025	July 2023-June 2025			2024		
	Spartina		Knotweed			General		
Total	Spent	Remaining	Total	Spent	Remaining	Total	Spent	Remaining
\$75,000	\$73,642.47	\$1,357.53	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$187,242.00	\$136,089.61	\$51,152.39
	Budgeted		Budgeted			Budgeted		
Supplies	Labor	Other	Supplies	Labor	Other	Supplies	Labor	Other
11%	89%	0%	3%	89%	0%	2%	82%	15%
	Actuals		Actuals			Actuals		
Supplies	Labor	Other	Supplies	Labor	Other	Supplies	Labor	Other
3%	97%	0%	0%	100%	0%	<1%	86%	13%