

ADMINISTRATIVE MATERIALS "D"

WEED PLAN AND AGREEMENT

**Application for Site Assessment and
Noxious Weed Management Plan and Agreement**

Complete and send to:
Lake County Weed Control District
P O Box 670
Pablo MT 59855
406.883.7330
tlinse@lakemt.gov

Property Information:

Landowner's Name (Please Print): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone/Cell: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Physical Location of Property: (include a map of the area as well as physical address, road markers, neighboring lands, ditches, creeks or other landmarks) _____

Legal Description:

Portion: _____, Section: _____, Township: _____, Range: _____

Tract/Parcel/Lot number: _____, of Subdivision/COS _____

Subdivision Information:

1. Attach a site plan of the proposed division showing all existing and proposed property lines, access roads, waterways, and structures. The site plan should be created at a size and scale appropriate to adequately convey the required information.
2. Property Size: _____ & Number of Lots Proposed in Subdivision: _____
3. How will the property be used: (circle all that apply and indicate applicable lot number)
Residential ___ Commercial/Industrial ___ Crop ___ Grazing ___ Rangeland ___ Other ___
4. Are there any water sources (lake, pond, river, creek, high well) on or within ¼ mile of the property?
Yes ___ No ___ If yes indicate name and location on site plan or attached map.
5. Does the subject property have a low or high water table? Low ___ High ___
please discuss: _____
6. Is there any sensitive vegetation (gardens, alfalfa, potatoes, orchard) on or adjacent to the property? If yes, please discuss and locate on site plan: _____

7. Describe the soil types located on the property? (sandy, clay, rocky, etc.) _____

Site Inspection: (to be filled out by landowner and approved by weed district representative)

1. Which noxious weeds exist on the property?

	Canadian Thistle		Hounds tongue		Rush Skeletonweed
	Field Bindweed		Yellow Toadflax		Meadow Salsify or Goats Beard
	Whitetop or Hoary Cress		Dyers Woad		Red Sorrel or Sheep Sorrel
	Leafy Spurge		Purple Loosestrife or Lythrum		Common Toad Flax or Yellow Toad Flax
	Russian Knapweed		Tansy Ragwort		Musk Thistle
	Spotted Knapweed		Meadow Hawkweed Complex		Purple Mustard
	Diffuse Knapweed		Orange Hawkweed		Yellow Flag Iris
	Dalmatian Toad Flax		Tall Buttercup		Flowering Rush
	St. Johnswort or Goatweed		Tamarisk		Hydrilla
	Sulfur Cinquefoil		Perennial Pepperweed		Eurasian Watermilfoil
	Common Tansy		Yellow Starthistle		Mosquito Fern
	Ox-Eye Daisy		Common Crupina		Hoary Alyssum
	Blue Weed		Scotch Broom		Knotweed Complex
	Other _____		Other _____		Other _____
	Other _____		Other _____		Other _____

2. Show on the site plan all infested areas, the type of weeds, and the percent infested for each area.

3. Please rate the severity of weed infestation of the overall property:

Severe ____ Moderate ____ Minimal ____

4. Please rate the percentage of the overall property infested: _____

Note: If property is over 50% infested or required by the Weed District the property owner will be required to immediately implement weed treatment and follow up reseeding on the property during the next appropriate season to control the existing property prior to site disturbance for subdivision improvements.

Weed District Use Only:

1. Weed District approval of site assessment information submitted: Yes _____ No _____

2. Weeds needing immediate attention include:

_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

3. Suggestions/additional comment regarding preliminary plat management plan and final plat management plan:

Reviewed by the Lake County Weed District Coordinator:

Signature

Date

Preliminary Subdivision Plat Noxious Weed Management Plan and Agreement

(To be completed and approved. Original plan and agreement shall be submitted with the Subdivision Application for Preliminary Plat Review.)

This agreement form is intended to implement management techniques as required by “The Montana Weed Management Plan” and “The Lake County Noxious Weed Management Plan” for the subject property during the review of the Subdivision Application and Preliminary Plat. This agreement shall be in force for four years, until the final subdivision plat has been recorded, or until the follow-up inspections have been completed, whichever is longest.

1. Legal Description of Property: _____ Section__Township__N Range__W
 COS # or Subdivision Name: _____ Lot: _____ Block: _____
 Tax Statement #: _____ Geo Code: _____
2. Attach a site plan of the property showing property lines, waterways, and all existing and proposed improvements including roads, structures, etc. (The site plan shall be created at a size and scale appropriate to adequately convey the required information.)
3. Attach an overlay to the site plan showing all weed infested areas, the type of weeds, and the percent infested for each area. The weed infested areas can be numbered to correspond to the chart below.
4. Fill out the following landowner responsibility chart describing the method of weed management in each weed infested location shown on the site plan for the property (i.e. If same weed occurs in upland and riparian area, appropriate control method might differ in riparian area).

Type and location of Weed to be controlled	Management Techniques * (Please be specific and include as much information about technique as possible)	The time of year management will start and the interval in which it shall take place	Number of years management will occur

***Common Management Techniques include:**

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| 1. Landscaping | 2. Mowing | 3. Hand Pulling |
| 4. Cultivation | 5. Re-vegetation/Reseeding | 6. Seed Mix/Rate/Timing |
| 7. Grazing (Sheep/Goats) | 8. Bio-control (Insects/Fungi) | |
| 9. Herbicides (please list brand/rate/timing) | | |

5. General Duties and Responsibilities of Landowners:
 - Prior to entering the subject property, all construction equipment and trucks moved from noxious weed infested areas shall be cleaned of contaminated soil or noxious weed seeds.
 - All areas of the property where development and/or soil disturbance occurs that results in exposed soil conditions shall be given immediate treatment to prevent any establishment and/or spread of noxious weeds.
 - In addition to the weed management techniques, treatment shall include seeding and/or planting with regular watering and fertilization. All seed used for this purpose should be certified as noxious weed seed free. The landowner shall create a maintenance schedule for the disturbed areas to ensure the establishment and continuance of competitive weed free vegetation. Disturbed slope areas shall be re-graded and provided additional consideration in treatment techniques for adequate establishment of weed free vegetation.
 - Storage of clean topsoil on the site shall be protected in specifically prepared areas that are free of weeds and weed seeds. Weed contaminated topsoil shall be stored separately and, if stored more than one growing season, must be tilled regularly or covered with a plastic mulch to prevent the establishment of germinating weed seed.
 - Organic materials used for surface mulch shall be obtained from noxious weed free sources.
6. The Landowner agrees to notify the Lake County Weed District and provide them a time schedule for the installation of the subdivision improvements required to be installed/developed prior to final plat approval.
7. The Landowner agrees that where mowing is done, careful site-specific consideration shall be given to timing, so that in any given area, weeds will be mowed when they are most vulnerable, and immature enough to preclude production of viable seed. This will reduce the hardiness of the plants, inhibit re-growth, and thereby reduce weed production. Hand pulling of selected weeds on selected sites will be considered to control small infestations in sensitive areas.
8. Additional requirements of the Lake County Weed District coordinator in order for the property to comply with The Montana Weed Management Plan, The Lake County Noxious Weed Management Plan: _____

9. Prior to final subdivision plat approval the landowner shall demonstrate compliance with this plan to the Board of Lake County Commissioners.
10. This agreement shall not be severable from the land described herein unless this agreement is modified by mutual consent of the landowner and Lake County Weed District.

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 20__, by and between _____, the landowner(s), and _____, the representative of the Lake County Weed District Board hereinafter referred to landowner and weed district coordinator. By signing this agreement, the landowner, heirs and assigns agree to follow the management plan outlined above, and the Lake County Weed Coordinator agrees to provide at least one site inspection throughout the timeframe of the agreement to ensure all required management techniques are taking place on the subject property.

Owner(s) of Lot _____

Lake County Weed District Coordinator _____

After Recording return to:

Final Subdivision Plat Noxious Weed Management Plan and Agreement

(To be completed and approved. Original plan and agreement shall be submitted for recordation with the Final Subdivision Plat.)

This agreement form is intended to implement management techniques as required by “The Montana Weed Management Plan” and “The Lake County Noxious Weed Management Plan” for the subject property during the review of the Subdivision Application and Preliminary Plat. This agreement is made between the Landowner and the Lake County Weed District and shall transfer to heirs and assigns.

1. Landowner: _____
Legal Description of Property: _____ Section___Township___N Range___W
Subdivision Name: _____
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3. Attach an overlay to the site plan showing all weed infested areas, the type of weeds, and the percent infested for each area. The weed infested areas can be numbered to correspond to the chart below.
4. Fill out the following landowner responsibility chart describing the method of weed management in each weed infested location shown on the site plan for the property (i.e. If same weed occurs in upland and riparian area, appropriate control method might differ in riparian area). If additional space is needed attach as separate sheets and reference in chart:

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| 9. <i>Herbicides (please list brand/rate/timing)</i> | | |

5. The purpose of this agreement is to emphasize prevention of noxious weed infestation on the property as it is the most direct, effective and cost effective method of weed management.
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 - All areas of the property where development and/or soil disturbance occurs that results in exposed soil conditions shall be given immediate treatment to prevent any establishment and/or spread of noxious weeds. Activities that result in soil disturbance include but are not limited to, access road development, utility installation, building construction, and/or landscaping.
 - Treatment shall include seeding and/or planting with regular watering and fertilization. All seed used for this purpose should be certified as noxious weed seed free. The landowner shall create a maintenance schedule for the disturbed areas to ensure the establishment and continuance of competitive weed free vegetation. Disturbed slope areas shall be re-graded and provided additional consideration in treatment techniques for adequate establishment of weed free vegetation.
 - Storage of clean topsoil on the site shall be protected in specifically prepared areas that are free of weeds and weed seeds. Weed contaminated topsoil shall be stored separately and, if stored more than one growing season, must be tilled regularly or covered with a plastic mulch to prevent the establishment of germinating weed seed.
 - That organic materials used for surface mulch, erosion control or frost protection shall be obtained from noxious weed free sources.
 - All landowners are encouraged to discuss their land management plans and alternative options with the Weed District Coordinator.
 - All landowners are encouraged to follow this plan after it expires to ensure compliance with state and county noxious weed management requirements.
7. The Landowner agrees that where mowing is done, careful site-specific consideration shall be given to timing, so that in any given area, weeds will be mowed when they are most vulnerable, and immature enough to preclude production of viable seed. This will reduce the hardiness of the plants, inhibit re-growth, and thereby reduce weed production. Hand pulling of selected weeds on selected sites will be considered to control small infestations in sensitive areas.
8. If the management plan includes the use of herbicides, the landowners agrees to the application of the herbicide to reduce and or remove existing noxious weed populations unless an alternative management method is reviewed and approved by the Lake County Weed District Coordinator.

