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**WEED CONTROL**

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**Noxious Weed Individual Notice/Report Procedure**

1. Report/Complaint is received, or Utah County Weed Control personnel found violation.
  - a. Online form-link named Report Noxious Weed Infestation in Utah County on Utah County's Weed Control webpage (<https://www.utahcounty.gov/Dept/PubWrks/WeedControl.asp>)
2. Utah County Weed Control Board approved inspector reviews complaint.
3. Actions possible:
  - a. No action
    - i. Report of noxious weeds found unsubstantiated or already resolved.
      1. Reporter informed of findings.
    - b. Individual Notice Sent- Complaint confirmed and meets criteria for Individual Landowner Notice
      - i. Types of Individual Notices
        1. Individual notice
        2. Individual notice (grant funds available)
          - a. Sometimes noxious weed issues fall within a defined area that has funding specific to address undesirable vegetation. In this scenario supplies or services may be available to the landowner to help address the weed issue
  - ii. Landowner Options once notices are received.
    1. Perform control measure to address reduce/eradicate species on property.
    2. Appeal
      - a. Utah County Weed Control Board meetings for appeals will be set up as quickly as possible.
    3. No Response
      - a. If no response is received further steps may be taken to declare the property a public nuisance. If a property is declared a public nuisance code enforcement may take place and expenses incurred may be invoiced to the landowner. If the invoice is not paid a lien may be placed on the property itself.
- c. Report/Complaint Letter
  - i. This letter is sent to inform landowners of a noxious weed issue on their property.
  - ii. Infestation is not to the extent that code enforcement may be pursued.
  - iii. This letter is for Utah State Declared Noxious Weed species that can be found throughout Utah County and are common to find in the area.
  - iv. Report/Complaint based action only.
- d. Myrtle Spurge letter
  - i. This letter is sent to inform landowner of a Myrtle Spurge infestation on their property.
- e. Forwarded to Municipalities
  - i. Many municipalities have Utah State Declared Noxious Weed Species control regulations within their municipal code. Sometimes municipal code is more expansive than Utah County's. For municipalities that have a code enforcement/compliance program to address noxious weed issues, Utah County will forward noxious weed reports to municipalities to address.
  - ii. Reports are forwarded to municipalities electronically.

**Note-**

- Reporters will be informed of the action taken when possible unless privacy rights or other considerations require otherwise upon advice of legal counsel.
- Complaints that are not noxious weed related will be forwarded to an appropriate agency or department.