



WEED BOARD MEETING

**117 South Main Street, Monticello, Utah 84535. Commission Chambers
June 02, 2022 at 7:00 AM**

AGENDA

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consideration and Approval of Weed Board Minutes from April 7th, 2022

CITIZEN COMMENTS

BUSINESS/ACTION

WEED SUPERVISORS REPORT

2. Consideration and Approval of May Weed Supervisors Report

NEXT MEETING

ADJOURN

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Weed Board
Meeting Minutes
April 7th, 2022

1) Call To Order

Blake Peterson began the meeting of the San Juan County Weed Board at 7:16 am on April 7th, 2022.

2) Roll Call

The following people were present: Dennis Gines, Zakk Johnson, Blake Peterson, Charlie Tracy and Frank Smith

3) Approval of Agenda

Dennis Gines made a motion to approve the agenda. Blake Peterson seconded the motion and the motion was approved by all board members.

4) Approval of Minutes

Dennis Gines made a motion to approve the minutes. Zakk Johnson seconded the motion and the motion was approved by all board members.

5) Citizens Comments

No citizen comments were sent or relayed to anyone present at the meeting.

6) Supervisor Report

Frank Smith reported that he submitted 2 grants to the UDAF ISM program totaling \$97,000. It was reported that Monticello, Blanding and Bluff cities are listed as partners on the grant submittals under the "Spray Days" grant. He reported that some of the money requested in the Spray Days grant is to be used for aiding in the spraying of private properties with noxious weed issues with the potential of spreading to adjacent properties. Frank reported that we will have 2 spray days this year and add Spanish Valley as a giveaway location. It was noted that Don Andrews will return on May 2nd for the season. Frank reported that all spray equipment was being made ready for the season. Frank reported that a general Notice to Control Noxious weeds will be published and posted by April 31st.

7) Business/Action

8) Next Meeting

June 2nd, 2022

9) Adjourn

Blake Peterson made a motion to adjourn and Dennis Gines seconded and the board adjourned with approval from all members.

Weed Department Report Weed Board Meeting 06/02/22

- After submitting applications for 2 UDAF ISM grants, totaling \$97,000, we received 2 grant revision notices on April 18th from UDAF. These notices said that we are approved for the grants if we resubmit the grants at a reduced amount. The e-mails specified a 15% reduction in our Spray Days grant submittal and a 20% reduction in our San Juan River grant submittal. This reduced our grant request from \$97,000 to \$84,200. After submitting the revised grant applications we were awarded both grants for 2022/2023 spray season. After speaking to the weed supervisor from Grand County and Tooele County I learned that everybody that submitted a grant request had to reduce the grant submittal. Luckily we asked for significantly more funding than the previous year and we ended up with \$3000.00 more funding than last year. The revision notices are included as part of this report.
- Don Andrews returned for the season on May 2nd. I am very happy to have him for a third season as he is a valuable asset. We have not had any application for the second seasonal weed sprayer position. In the event that we do not find an employee Don Andrews and I will do all we can to cover the season.
- We Held our first Spray Days events on May 20th and 21st. On Friday the 20th we distributed herbicide in Spanish Valley, La Sal and Bluff. On Saturday the 21st we distributed herbicide in Blanding and Monticello. We provided Milestone and Glyphosate at each of the locations. We had a stronger turnout in Bluff and La Sal then we have had previously. Blanding and Monticello participation was better than ever. Unfortunately the Spanish Valley giveaway was not attended by anyone. It is clear that we will have to find a way to more directly market this event to the residents of Spanish Valley. Perhaps a directed mailer would be effective as the Facebook postings were not. We will have a second event later in the summer as well. We may not distribute in Spanish valley unless we can find a better way to get the word out.
- We will be spraying Giant Reed and Phragmites along the San Juan River this year as part of our San Juan River project. We will use a glyphosate that is formulated for use near water sources. In order to do this, this year, I am required to file a Notice of Intent (NOI) with the Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (UPDES) under the Utah Department of Environmental Quality (UDEQ). This is a new requirement for 2022 under rules created by the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES).
- We began this spray season by addressing vegetation control at the various county properties including yards, libraries, senior centers and fire stations. We will spray the Hideout golf course early this season the try to get a handle on the Canada thistle explosion present last year. I believe regular treatment will eliminate this infestation. We will also do vegetation control along and around the airport runways in Monticello, Blanding and Bluff.



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Urgent- ISM Grant Revision Required

Aaron Eagar <aeagar@utah.gov>
To: "Smith, Frank" <fsmith@sanjuancounty.org>

Mon, Apr 18, 2022 at 1:19 PM

RE: San Juan County Spray Days Project

Thank you for submitting your proposal for the FY2023 Invasive Species Mitigation Program. This year we received over 3 million in requests and have 1.8 million in available funds to obligate.

The department has accepted your application and anticipates funding your project at a 15% reduction with an anticipated award amount of \$30,600.00.

In order for your project to move forward into contracting the department will reopen your application in Amplifund for you to make these reductions to your budget and performance plan. These changes will need to be accomplished and your application resubmitted by Friday, April 29th

You will receive a notification from Amplifund that your application has been reopened for these corrections to be made.

If you have any questions please contact Aaron Eagar at aeagar@utah.gov or 801-602-1961



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Mon, Apr 18, 2022 at 1:54 PM

RE: San Juan River Camelthorn, Russian Knapweed and Giant Reed Project

Thank you for submitting your proposal for the FY2023 Invasive Species Mitigation Program. This year we received over 3 million in requests and have 1.8 million in available funds to obligate.

The department has accepted your application and anticipates funding your project at a 20% reduction with an anticipated award amount of \$53,600.00.

In order for your project to move forward into contracting the department will reopen your application in Amplifund for you to make these reductions to your budget and performance plan. These changes will need to be accomplished and your application resubmitted by Friday, April 29th

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