

2022 Management Plan

For Leavenworth County

Alan Phillips, County Weed Director

Specify the goals and priorities of the program for the coming year.

The Leavenworth County Noxious Weed Department 2022 management goals and priorities are to continue educating property owners on noxious weeds along with the control methods to be used on the noxious weed species. Also controlling county right-of-way easements, and state right-of-ways of noxious weeds.

Specify the goals and priorities of the program for the next five years.

Continue educating property owners on noxious weeds along with control methods to be used on the noxious weed species. improving application methods on the use of chemicals, and keeping the general public informed of any changes within the noxious weed laws of the state.

Describe the areas which noxious weed species are known to occur within the county and specific locations of new infestations and areas particularly susceptible to new infestations.

Field bindweed	High Prairie, Kickapoo and Tonganoxie Twp. susceptible areas Stranger, Reno Twp.
Musk thistle	You can find throughout the county.
Sericea lespedeza	Reno, Sherman, Tonganoxie and Alexander Twp. areas susceptible Fairmount and
Johnsongrass	You can find throughout the county
Bur ragweed	None currently areas susceptible Kickapoo Twp.
Canada thistle	None to my knowledge
Hoary cress	None to my knowledge
Leafy spurge	None to my knowledge
Quackgrass	None to my knowledge
Kudzu	Kickapoo, and Sherman Twp. areas susceptible Alexander Twp.
Russian knapweed	None to my knowledge

List any non-noxious invasive weed species you plan to control and the types of integrated weed control methods you plan on using on them.

The Bull Thistle we continue to control by the use of chemical and mowing.

Wild Teasle is another invasive weed species we try to control by chemical or mowing but unfortunately will lose this battle due to the fact it is mostly along state right-of-ways in large areas and rapidly spreading throughout the county.

List your planned integrated weed management goals and procedures, including but not limited to biological control agent selection and distribution, pesticide selection and application and cultural and mechanical controls.

Biological Controls

None at this time

Chemical Controls

The use of approved chemicals on noxious weeds is going to be Leavenworth County's first choice of weed management

Cultural Controls

none planned at this time

Mechanical Controls

Mowing county right-of ways to control noxious weeds is another method we use

Estimate the projected personnel, operations, and equipment costs of the proposed program.

Personnel costs	\$ 211,745.00
Operations costs	\$ 237,167.00
Equipment costs	\$ 77,500.00

List the methods you plan to use to encourage compliance and the enforcement actions you will take if necessary.

A general notice to control noxious weeds will be published in the local news paper twice a year also posted on the counties noxious weed website.

Property owners in violation of the Noxious Weed Law are contacted individually by the Noxious Weed Supervisor either in person, by phone or mail about noxious weed infestation. Only when a property owner is uncooperative in the control of a noxious weed, enforcement of state noxious weed statues will be implemented.

(a) A legal description of the noxious weed infested land

(b) The name of the owner and operator of supervising agent of the noxious weed infested land, as shown by records of the county clerk.

(c) The approximate acreage of each noxious weed in the infestation of infestations involved.

(d) A copy of the Kansas Official Methods and Regulations applicable for controlling each named noxious weed.

(e) A specified time, within which noxious weed control methods are required to be completed.

(f) The noxious weed supervisor will follow up with a physical inspection of the property.

List your plans for working with state and/or federal agencies to control the noxious weeds on state and/or federal lands.

Kansas Department of Transportation, Railroads, Cities, and Institutions

(a) Enforcement procedures are unnecessary with Kansas Department of Transportation due to contract with Leavenworth County.

(b) Cities and Institutions will cooperate with problem areas by contacting persons responsible for maintaining property.

Describe your education and outreach plans for the coming year. Include training and professional development for yourself and your staff. (Attend District meetings? Annual Conference? Recertification?)

Training new employees on Noxious Weeds and achieving their commercial pesticide applicator certification (9A).

Attending Basic Noxious Weed Short Course in Manhattan, Kansas

Attend monthly district directors meetings

Attend County Weed Directors Association of Kansas Annual Conference for 9A re certification

Attend Summer Conference's for 9A re certification

Attend chemical companies seminars

List the facilities and equipment available for use in managing the noxious weeds in your county, including a list of the equipment available for rent to the public and the rent you charge.

Leavenworth County Noxious Weed Dept. has an office and chemical warehouse located at 23674 187 th street Leavenworth, Kansas 66048. Which offers state approved chemicals for noxious weeds for sale to Leavenworth County property owners 5 days a week at 25% off of cost.

Leavenworth County Noxious Weed Department Equipment consist of:

2-2016 Chevrolet 3500 flatbed with 400 gallon truck mounted sprayers with GPS tracking

2- back sprayers.

5- roadside mowers

1-2021 F250

We offer 6-150 gallon rental sprayers @ \$ 35.00 a day

Noxious Weed Department Employees			
Name	Title	Years of service in the Nx Wd Dept.	# Jobs within the county
Alan Phillips	Supervisor	7.5	1
Shawn Bauswell	Lead Operator	4	1
Kyle Hardisty & Kenny Jeannin	Operator II	3 & 14.7	1
John Logan & Jeremy Wagner	Operator I	9 mo.	1

I certify that this is the official 2022 Management Plan of Leavenworth County

Alan Phillips, County Weed Director 1-20-22
Date

Mark A. Smith, County Commissioner 1-24-22
Date

Don Smith, County Commissioner 1-24-22
Date

Mark Smith, County Commissioner 1-24-22
Date

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Vicky Kacey 1-24-22