

Baker County Weed District Cost Share Application Guidelines 2023/2024

<u>Landowners can receive free products from the Weed District</u> or get reimbursed for approved herbicides they have purchased from a qualified dealer. Typically up to 30 acres of free product may be obtained from BCWD.

The Baker County Weed Board encourages all landowners and land stewards to use Integrated Pest Management techniques to reduce the impact of Noxious Weeds. Utilizing all aspects of weed control including: Prevention (appropriate utilization of the site, Minimizing soil disturbance, Early Detection and Rapid Response to new invaders), Cultural (right vegetation selection, appropriate watering, comprehensive grazing management plan), Mechanical (pulling, shoveling, disking, plowing, mowing), Chemical/Herbicide (proper product, proper timing, proper calibration, proper sprayer selection/application technique), and Biological Control (Non-Classical - animal selection, Classical - insect selection, timing, and placement). To help with this, many different treatment types will be eligible for reimbursement: Selective/Non Selective Herbicide Applications, generally Glyphosate (Roundup) will not be cost-shared unless a revegetation program is developed nor will 2,4-D be cost-shared due to their ineffectiveness on these tough noxious weeds. No reimbursement for Adjuvants such as Surfactants or Dye's-approved herbicides only. Other cost-share eligible practices are as follows...

- 1. Reseeding
- 2. Contract Manual Control/Removal
- 3. Purchase of Bio-Control Insects
- 4. Targeting grazing Goats, sheep, etc

Other APPROVED management strategies will also be considered for reimbursement programs. **Landowner labor is not reimbursable** but can be used as cost-share for reimbursement of herbicides or other materials. Under the 2017 Oregon State Guidelines, landowner labor is calculated for cost-share match at \$28.54 per hour. This means that 17.50 hours of your time treating noxious weeds is all that is needed for the \$500.00 in County reimbursement for herbicides, etc.

To qualify, please fill out and submit the Baker County Weed District Cost-Share Reimbursement application form. We will then contact you to schedule a meeting where we can work together to create a management plan tailored to your weed management needs.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Treatment plan needs to be <u>PREAPPROVED</u> in coordination with the Baker County Weed Supervisor to ensure expenditures are appropriate for the project and therefore eligible for reimbursement.
- 2. Landowner must provide: receipts, invoices, or other evidence indicating the amount of herbicides applied and/or work done and the cost of the project. Pesticide application records and area indicated on a map will be provided by the Baker County Weed Supervisor if landowner wishes to do the work themselves.
- 3. Maximum of \$500.00 per landowner per fiscal (July thru June) year is available.
- 4. Signing this document authorizes BAKER County Weed District staff to access the property to conduct pretreatment noxious weed inventory, and a post treatment inspection. This information helps us in many ways: Map weeds for our database, Verify work, and ensure that the chosen weed treatment methods are working effectively for you. Access may include ATV, Truck, or on foot.

Please check out our website www.bakercountyweeds.org/weeds/weeds.html for forms, Licensed Herbicide Contractors Contact information, and much more.