



Noxious Weeds

General

4301. *For all proposed projects or activities, determine the risk of noxious-weed introduction or spread, and implement appropriate mitigation measures and treatment. **STANDARD**

4302. Use biological control methods whenever practical, and whenever protecting other resources is desired, such as water quality. **GUIDELINE**

4303. Develop a noxious-weed management program that addresses the following components: awareness, prevention, inventory, planning, treatment, monitoring, reporting, and management objectives. Control noxious weeds using the following priority order:

- a. *R2 sensitive and species of local concern occurrences of snails and plants;
- b. *Research natural areas;
- c. *Botanical areas;
- d. *New invaders;
- e. *New areas of infestation;
- f. *Spreading or expanding infestations;
- g. *Existing infestations.

GUIDELINE



4304. *Treat individual plants or groups of plants in areas where R2 sensitive or species of local concern plants occur. Use a treatment method that is the least risk to the species being protected. **STANDARD**

4305. Apply chemical agents at the lowest effective rates, and as large droplets or pellets to reduce drift. Follow label directions. **GUIDELINE**

4306. *Use certified noxious-weed-free seed, feed and mulch. Seed will be tested for noxious weeds at the time of purchase. **STANDARD**

4307. ***DELETED**

4308. Use buffers around water sources, lakes, wetlands and streams to keep concentrations of chemical agents in water well below those harmful to drinking, irrigation, aquatic life and non-target vegetation. Treatment of individual plants with aquatic-labeled chemical agents may occur in buffers. **STANDARD**

4309. *Monitor weed treatments used at R2 sensitive and species of local concern plant occurrences and re-treat as needed during the season. **STANDARD**