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Fremont County Weed and Pest

The Public Lands Foundation presents Fremont County Weed and Pest (FCWP) with its 2017 Landscape Stewardship Certificate of Appreciation and this Citation. The Foundation grants this recognition to honor private citizens and organizations that work to advance and sustain community-based stewardship on landscapes that include, in whole or in part, public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management.

Fremont County Weed and Pest, which was nominated by the Wyoming BLM Lander Field Office, has been a partner with BLM for over 25 years in treating invasive weeds on 2.4 million acres. These efforts are responsible for the successful implementation of the Resource Management Plan noxious weed program. Without fail, the FCWP has delivered high quality invasive plant management on BLM administered lands and has worked cooperatively with all local partners.

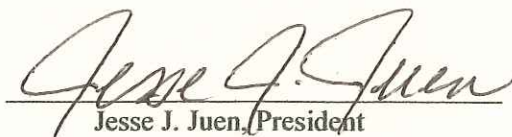
They have a strong and well thought out public education program. They have a comprehensive weed inventory and mapping effort. They employ an early detection and rapid response effort, using biological and herbicide treatment. And they have an effective monitoring program. In short, they are the standard to which other local weed and pests control organizations compare themselves.

FCWP has established and maintained a good working relationship with all local and government cooperators. These include the Federal agencies, private land owners, grazing permittees, The Nature Conservancy, the Lander Cycle Club, the National Outdoor Leadership School, local conservation districts, and the Wyoming Game and Fish Department. They have empowered all these groups to work together on weed management by requesting cooperative projects and helping developing collaborative partnerships.

Notable is their work on a landscape level to manage cheat grass and the threat it and other weeds impose on prime sage grouse nesting areas. Other important efforts involve fire rehabilitation, gravel pit inspections, and control of weeds along trails and rights-of-ways.

Finally, they assist BLM in developing its invasive species inventory management system, and they have also helped other users of the public lands to be compliant with BLM regulations and stipulations.

The Public Lands Foundation is pleased to present Fremont County Weed and Pest with its 2017 Landscape Stewardship Certification of Appreciation and this Citation for invaluable contributions to the stewardship of America's public landscapes.


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