



FREMONT COUNTY WEED AND PEST CONTROL DISTRICT
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Protecting Land Health Through Coordinated Weed & Pest Management

Noxious weeds and pests negatively impact land health, causing significant agricultural and environmental harm. Fremont County Weed and Pest District cost shares on tools for the management of noxious weeds and pests, provides the expertise to use the tool effectively, and coordinates project

planning which often leverages additional financial support and landscape scale strategies. In 2025, the district provided \$897,872 in chemical, labor, and equipment cost sharing which reduced spread, improved forage, and kept the next invasive species contained.



This leafy spurge infestation along the Little Popo Agie River is reducing forage production and grazing capacity. The total cost to treat this in 2022 was \$4791, with our cost shares the landowner paid \$1771. Now the landowner can keep his improved production for a \$500/year maintenance treatment.



The Weed and Pest District controls noxious weeds along county roads using the mil levy from local tax collection, with no additional costs passed on to the county road and bridge dept. A \$45,000 - \$65,000/year investment in stopping noxious weeds from spreading up and down roads as well as protecting adjacent landowners' interests.



Russian knapweed has taken over the private land on the left of the fence, while grass thrives on the public right of way on the right side of the fence.

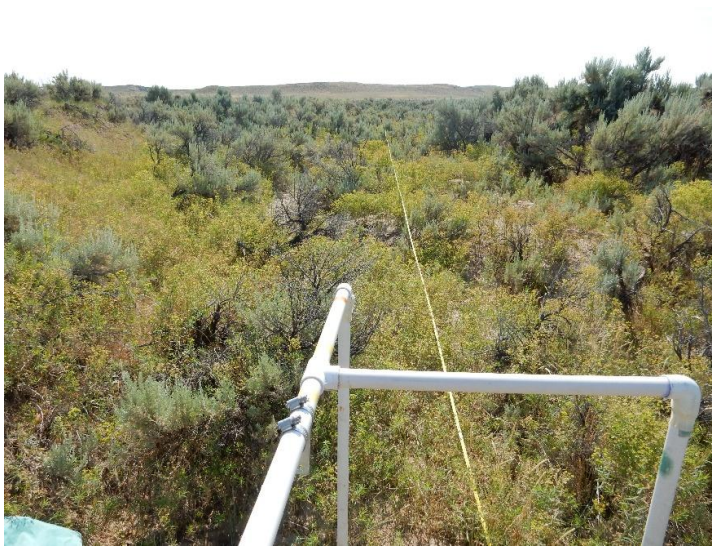


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Many noxious weed and pest problems involve many landowners and interests. The district is the central hub for management and coordination, helping to leverage commitments, grant resources, logistics, and improved contractor pricing. This service is provided by the district at no cost to private landowners involved in noxious weed control projects.

This project encompassing the Government Draw watershed involves BLM, State, and private landowners. Through the district's coordination the project has had sustained support since 2017 keeping both leafy spurge and cheatgrass in check while keeping the costs to the landowners reasonable through many grants that have supported the collaborative effort.

2017 - Leafy Spurge



2025 - Leafy Spurge



2018 - Cheatgrass



2025 - Cheatgrass

