

## Integrated Weed Management Tools

### Prevention

Activity to forestall contamination of weed species.

### Biological Control

Use of insects, mites, nematodes, or plant pathogens to control weeds.

### Herbicides

Products to kill or stunt weeds by disrupting the metabolic processes of a plant.

### Grazing

Use of cattle, sheep or goats to graze on weeds to help the plant from seeding.

### Hand Pulling or Digging

Manual removal of weeds and its root system—this can be useful only in small infestations and on certain weeds.

### Mechanical Removal

Use of equipment to remove the weed and its roots.

### Cutting and mowing

Prevents weeds from seed production helps deplete the root reserves and favors the growth of more desired species on certain weeds.

### Cultivation

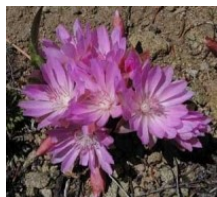
Brings seeds to the surface where the plant has an opportunity to germinate and be treated .

### Re-vegetation

Reseeding with specific species to help choke out undesired vegetation.

### Eradication

The goal of any property owner of a un-desired species and is most successful on small isolated patches.



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# Landowner 50/50 Cost Share

## Grant Program

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The Ravalli County Weed District offers this grant program to assist landowners in Ravalli County with implementing their long-term integrated weed management practices. This program is designed to give the landowner a financial head start in controlling noxious weeds. This is a **one time only 50/50 cost share grant program** for landowners in Ravalli County. **You must apply for this program and you are not guaranteed to be funded. If funded you will be sent a letter stating so and for how much funding you qualify for.**

- The focus of this program is for management to take place on state or county listed noxious weeds only. Ob-noxious weeds do not apply to this grant program.
- Re-vegetation is also a focus under this program. Beneficial vegetation helps reduce weeds over the long term.
- New invaders are given priority. The new invaders included in this prioritization include but not limited to: Leafy Spurge, Hoary Alyssum, Blueweed, Japanese Knotweed, Yellow Flag Iris, Orange Hawkweed, Common Bugloss, Russian Knapweed, Dyer's Woad, Rush Skeletonweed, purple loose strife, Perennial Pepperweed, Yellow star thistle, Eurasian Water Milfoil, and Scotch Broom.
- Plans using the multiple integrated weed management methods, as described in this brochure will be given priority.
- Applicants are encouraged to apply with a neighbor.

### General Information

- Grant applications can be filled out year round, however the funding availability runs from July 1st to June 30th of each year and funding is limited. You are not guaranteed funding.
- Re-imbusement will be made after the project has been completed and all receipts and the re-imbusement forms have been submitted to the Weed District. Re-imbusements can take up to 6 weeks.
- Landowners must agree to the terms and provisions of the grant application.
- Landowner must agree to allow Weed District staff/weed board members to inspect their property/project as deemed necessary.

### Funding:

- \$15,000 is available for this grant program year based on approved funding from county commissioners.
- The Grant can not be in excess \$500.00 per individual for a total project cost of \$1000.00 (50/50 cost share). If the project requires more money to complete the project, you will not be funded the excess. The grant will only reimburse up to \$500.00 or the allocated amount. This funding information will be placed in your approval letter.
- The weed district will refund 50% of the maximum project costs not to exceed allocated amount. Any excess will be covered by the applicant.
- A cost share match is made by actual cash used to pay for chemicals, seed or commercial licensed and insured applicators. In-kind labor is not considered a match.
- Other grant funded dollars can not be used as a match.

### Limitations

- Only one project per person, property, per year, if multi year funding is desired a application must be filled out each year. Even though this is a one time only grant some exception may be made by the weed board for high priority weeds.
- Project must be located in Ravalli County.
- Project work must be completed by spring cycle June 30th and Fall cycle November 30th. Your date will be recorded in your approval letter.
- Only on the ground practices are eligible, no research or study projects will be granted.
- No capital items will be reimbursed (i.e., sprayers fencing or other equipment).
- No extensions will be made if funds are not expended.

