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Goshen County Weed & Pest NEWSLETTER

CONTROL STARTS EARLY

Come late July through August, a common concern is the amount of puncturevine and sandburs on roadways and yards.
While it may seem like it is too late to control these noxious prickly weeds, you're in luck. Control for puncturevine and sandburs starts in the Spring. Being proactive is KEY when controlling these two weeds.
For the most effective herbicide control program, products should contain one of the active ingredients listed;

- pendimethalin
- trifluralin
- prodiamine

Product examples are; Prowl® H2O, Preen Garden Weed Preventer and Pendulum Aqua Cap.

COMMON BURDOCK

There are several weeds on the Goshen County Weed & Pest declared/designated list, some of these plants don't always grow in visible areas or those who see it aren't sure what it might be. Common burdock is found in disturbed sites but within Goshen county it is becoming a problem on the river bottoms, ditch banks and irrigated fields. The biennial has large rosettes of basal-like leaves, once matured and reaching its second year cycle, it becomes 3 to 6 feet tall and 4 feet in diameter. This is when people typically notice the weed. This large plant blooms purple flowers and typically produces approximately 15,000 seeds.

Control methods:

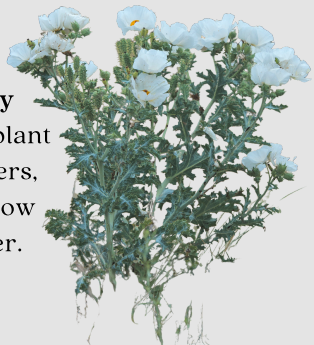
- Mechanical: digging the plant up is very effective
- Chemical: Milestone or Opensight

Visit our website to view more weeds that are on the GCWP designated & declared weeds list.
www.goshenweedandpest.com /county-declared-species.html

I SPY WITH MY LITTLE EYE...

As discussed in previous newsletters, weeds sprayed within the county by GCWP are determined by either the state designated or the county declared lists. This means that the plants that are not named on these lists are not a priority of GCWP to control on roadsides or private land. Listed below are three plants that are often seen on the right-of-way of state highways and county roads, but are not sprayed by GCWP.

Buffalo Bur
golden-yellow prickles cover the stems, flower is yellow with a star-like shape.



Prickly Poppy
pale blue-green plant with white flowers, and slender yellow prickles all over.

Curly Dock
thick stems bolt, reaching up to 5 feet in height. Flowers start green but brown as the plant matures. This plant is know for its brown tops.

There are several other plants along the roadways that are noticed but not sprayed by GCWP. We're here to help identify these plants, please bring in plants of concern.

STAY IN THE KNOW

- Goshen County Fair Day - office closed
- Come see us at the Frontier Shelter - August 5
- Find us at Third Thursday - August 19

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