

HEARING NOTICE

SAN JUAN COUNTY NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD

ANNUAL PUBLIC HEARING ANNOUNCEMENT

PURPOSE: To review and adopt the San Juan County Noxious Weed List for 2019 and to discuss noxious weed control priorities and weed law enforcement guidelines for 2019.

WHEN: Friday, February 1st, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM.

WHERE: Community Room, Skagit Valley College, 221 Weber Way, Lower Level, Friday Harbor.

The Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board adopted the 2019 Washington State Noxious Weed List on November 7 (2018), with the following changes to scientific names:

- Kochia: *Kochia scoparia* to *Bassia scoparia*
- Leafy spurge: *Euphorbia esula* to *Euphorbia virgata*
- Himalayan knotweed: *Polygonum polystachyum* to *Persicaria wallichii*
- Russian knapweed: *Acroptilon repens* to *Rhaponticum repens*
- Tansy ragwort: *Senecio jacobaea* to *Jacobaea vulgaris*

The State Weed Board also designated butterfly bush (*Buddleja davidii*) for control in San Juan County. It has been on the noxious weed list since 2003 and was made a Class B noxious weed in 2008. The state list went into effect on January 1, 2019.

The San Juan County 2019 Noxious Weed List must be adopted by February 28.

In order for this list to become accepted for San Juan County, it must be approved by the County Noxious Weed Control Board based on public input received at this meeting. The Weed Board requests the public's insights about local weed distributions as well as suggestions for the 2020 weed list, closing April 30.

For further information, contact the San Juan County Noxious Weed Control Program at (360) 376-3499 or by e-mail at jasono@sanjuanco.com. A draft copy of the proposed 2019 San Juan County Noxious Weed List will be online at:

<http://extension.wsu.edu/sanjuan/noxious/>