REPORT FOR THE MONTANA NOXIOUS WEED TRUST FUND ADVISORY COUNCIL

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INTRODUCTION

This report for the Montana Noxious Weed Management Advisory Council was assembled in compliance with the Montana Noxious Weed Trust Fund Act and Administrative Rules which require an annual report from the Montana Agricultural Experiment Station and Montana State University Extension Service on current projects and future plans. This report is a compilation of major weed science research and education activities conducted by MSU over the past three years and includes comprehensive reporting of all weed science research products and education funding and activities.

MONTANA NOXIOUS WEED TRUST FUND PROJECTS 2013-2015

Project Title, PI	2013	2014	2015
A meta-analysis of previous Canada thistle and field bindweed control and management studies, <i>Fabian Menalled</i>			•
Assessing the influence of fire and grazing on cheatgrass spread and plant community composition, <i>Erik Lehnhoff</i>	•		
Biological control of: common tansy and oxeye daisy; invasive hawkweeds; Russian knapweed; and whitetop, <i>Jeff Littlefield</i>	•	•	•
Biological control of invasive toadflax using stem inhabiting weevils, David Weaver		•	
Can targeted cattle grazing and biocontrol insects work together to suppress spotted knapweed? <i>Jeff Mosley</i>			•
Determining the efficacy of biocontrol using <i>Mecinus janthinus</i> strains on Dalmatian, yellow, and hybrid toadflax, <i>David Weaver</i>	•		
Economic impact of noxious weeds on grazing capacity of Montana rangeland, <i>Kate Fuller</i>			•
Identifying and testing candidate agents for biocontrol of Russian olive, David Weaver	•		•
Managing dense cheatgrass infestations on rangeland, and understanding its impacts under an altered climate, <i>Lisa Rew</i>			•
Memorize, recognize, prioritize: Noxious weed education action program, Jane Mangold	•		
Missouri River Watershed Coalition coordination, Elizabeth Galli-Noble	•		
Mitigating priority effects of invasive plants during revegetation by altering perennial grass planting date, <i>Jane Mangold</i>			•
Montana Noxious Weed Education Campaign, Jane Mangold	•	•	•
Montana's noxious weeds mobile app, Jane Mangold		•	
Optimizing available toadflax biocontrol resources and evaluation of efficacy of candidate stem-galling weevils, <i>David Weaver</i>			•
Patterns and mechanisms of cheatgrass invasion in the Northern Great Plains, <i>Craig Carr</i>		•	•
Predicting plant community response to weed control, Jane Mangold	•	•	
Tall buttercup ecology and integrated management, Jane Mangold	•		
Understanding and mitigating the impact of cheatgrass under a changing climate, <i>Erik Lehnhoff</i>		•	
Update and expand the "Mapping Noxious Weeds in Montana" publication and conduct EDDMapS West trainings, <i>Elizabeth Galli-Noble</i>	•		



DEPARTMENTS INVOLVED WITH WEED RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

Montana Agricultural Experiment Station
MSU Extension Service

Agricultural Economics and EconomicsKate Fuller, *Extension Economist*

Animal and Range Sciences

Craig Carr, Rangeland Ecology
Pat Hatfield, Range Sheep Nutrition
Jeff Mosley, Rangeland Ecology and Management
Bret Olson, Rangeland Ecology and Management
Cecil Tharp, Pesticide Education Specialist

Center for Invasive Species Management Kim Goodwin, Weed Science

Land Resources and Environmental Sciences

Edward Davis, Agricultural Specialist
Erik Lehnhoff, Invasive Plant Ecology
Jeff Littlefield, Biological Control of Weeds
Jane Mangold, Integrated Invasive Plant
Management
Bruce Maxwell, Agroecology

Fabian Menalled, Weed Ecology and Management Zach Miller, Plant Ecology

Robert Peterson, Plant-Insect Interactions
Lisa Rew, Non-native Plant Ecology

Sharlene Sing (Affiliate Research Professor from US Forest Service), Biological Control of Weeds

Tracy Sterling, Weed Physiology
David Weaver, Entomology

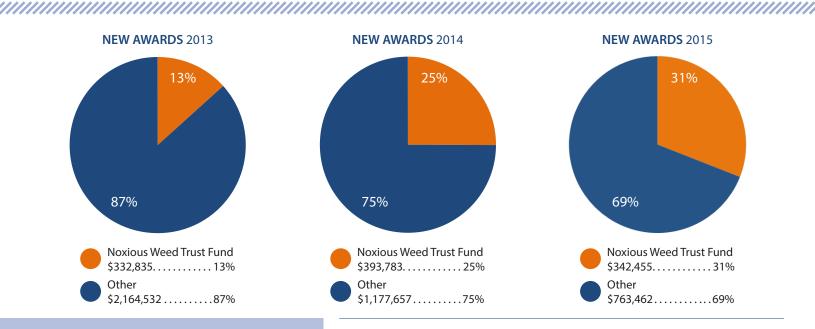
Montana Noxious Weed Education Campaign Shantell Frame-Martin, *Coordinator*

Plant Sciences and Plant Pathology

Mary Burrows, Plant Pathology Bill Dyer, Weed Physiology Matt Lavin, Botany Ryan Thum, Aquatic Plant Genetics and Ecology

Research Centers
Prashant Jha, Weed Science

MSU WEED PROJECT FUNDING 2013–2015



OTHER FUNDING SOURCES FOR WEED RESEARCH AND EDUCATION, 2013–2015

NATIONAL

US Department of Agriculture

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service National Institute of Food and Agriculture US Forest Service

US Department of Defense

US Department of the Interior

Bureau of Indian Affairs Bureau of Land Management US Fish and Wildlife Service

Aquatic Plant Management Society

Bayer BioScience

Crop Life America

World Wildlife Fund

REGIONAL

Nez Perce Bio-Control Center

Western IPM Center

Western Sugar Cooperative

Western Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program

STATE

Algoma University

Central Michigan University

Colorado State University

Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (WI)

Missoula County Weed District (MT)

Montana Dept. of Natural Resources

Montana Dept. of Disaster and Emergency Services

Montana Dept. of Transportation

Montana Wheat and Barley Committee

North Dakota State University

Organic Advisory and Education Council

University of California

University of Nebraska

University of Wyoming

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Wyoming Department of Agriculture

FUTURE PLANS: 2016 MONTANA NOXIOUS WEED TRUST FUND GRANTS

Montana State University

Addressing challenges posed by yellow, Dalmatian, and hybrid toadflax using integrated approaches that support biological control, *David Weaver and Sharlene Sing*

Candidate agents for biological control of Russian olive, *David Weaver and Sharlene Sing*

Effect of herbicide application and soil texture on hoary alyssum seed biology and control, *Jane Mangold, Stacy Davis, and Brad Bauer*

Host specificity testing of biological control agents of weedy mustards, Jeff Littlefield

Host testing of biological control agents for hawkweeds, *Jeff Littlefield*Integrated management of dense cheatgrass on productive rangelands, *Lisa Rew and Jane Mangold*

Mitigating priority effects of invasive plants during revegetation by altering perennial grass planting date, *Jane Mangold*

Montana Noxious Weed Education Campaign, *Jane Mangold and Shantell Frame-Martin*

Release and monitoring of Russian knapweed biological control agents, Jeff Littlefield

Screening of new biological control agents for common tansy and oxeye daisy, Jeff Littlefield

Examples of Extension Participation in 2016 Montana Noxious Weed Trust Fund Grant Programs

Cooperative control of houndstongue in the Larb Hills, *Phillips County* Fleshman Creek cooperative weed management project, *Park County* Integrated noxious weed education across Livingston, *Park County* Leave no weeds, *Missoula County*

University of Montana/MSU Collaborative Projects

Environmental-DNA for aquatic invasive plant species, Adam Sepulveda

MSU WEED SCIENCE ACTIVITY

Peer-reviewed journal articles: 62 Invited book chapters: 3

Peer-reviewed conference abstracts: 94 Completed theses and dissertations: 14 Graduate students in training: 24

Extension publications: 29 TV and radio appearances: 13

Collaborators

Agriculture and Agri-Foods Canada **BBCA Rome CABI** Europe Landcare New Zealand Montana Department of Agriculture Montana Department of Environmental Quality Private landowners Russian Zoological Institute Task Force/Consortium Groups University of Idaho USDA Agricultural Research Service USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service USDA ARS European Biological Control Lab **USDA Forest Service** USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture USDA Western Invasive Pest Management Center

USDI Bureau of Land Management

Target Weeds

Canada thistle (Cirsium arvense) Cheatgrass (Bromus tectorum) Common tansy (Tanacetum vulgare) Dalmatian toadflax (Linaria dalmatica) Douglas fir (Pseudotsuga menziesii) Field bindweed (Convolvulus arvensis) Juniper (Juniperus spp.) Leafy spurge (Euphorbia esula) Orange hawkweed (Hieracium aurantiacum) Oxeye daisy (Leucanthemum vulgare) Perennial pepperweed (Lepidium latifolium) Ponderosa pine (Pinus ponderosa) Rush skeletonweed (Chondrilla juncea) Russian knapweed (Acroptilon repens) Russian olive (Elaeagnus angustifolia) Saltcedar (Tamarix spp.) Spotted knapweed (Centaurea stoebe) St. Johnswort (Hypericum perforatum) Sulfur cinquefoil (Potentilla recta) Tall buttercup (Ranunculus acris) Tansy ragwort (Senecio jacobaea) Western salsify (Tragopogon dubius) Whitetop (Cardaria draba)

Wild oat (Avena fatua)

Yellow toadflax (Linaria vulgaris)

PROJECT HIGHLIGHT

Bromus tectorum Response to Fire Varies with Climate Conditions

Kimberley Taylor, LRES; Tyler Brummer, LRES; Lisa Rew, LRES; Matt Lavin, PSPP; Bruce Maxwell, LRES

"The invasive annual grass Bromus tectorum (cheatgrass) forms a positive feedback with fire in some areas of western North America's sagebrush biome by increasing fire frequency and size, which then increases B. tectorum abundance post-fire and dramatically alters ecosystem structure and processes. However, this positive response to fire is not consistent across the sagebrush steppe. Here, we ask whether different climate conditions across the sagebrush biome can explain B. tectorum's variable response to fire. We found that climate variables differed significantly between 18 sites where B. tectorum does and does not respond positively to fire. A positive response was most likely in areas with higher annual temperatures and lower summer precipitation. We then chose a climatically intermediate site, with intact sagebrush vegetation, to evaluate whether a positive feedback had formed between B. tectorum and fire. A chronosequence of recent fires (1–15 years) at the site created a natural replicated experiment to assess abundance of B. tectorum and native plants. B. tectorum cover did not differ between burned and unburned plots but native grass cover was higher in recently burned plots. Therefore, we found no evidence for a positive feedback between B. tectorum and fire at the study site. Our results suggest that formation of a positive *B. tectorum*-fire feedback depends on climate; however, other drivers such as disturbance and native plant cover are likely to further influence local responses of B. tectorum. The dependence of B. tectorum's response to fire on climate suggests that climate change may expand *B. tectorum*'s role as a transformative invasive species within the sagebrush biome."

Abstract from: Taylor KT, Brummer TJ, Rew LJ, Lavin M, Maxwell BD. 2014. Bromus tectorum response to fire varies with climate. Ecosystems 17(6): 960–973.

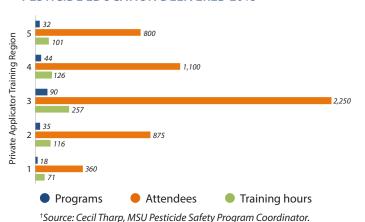


Cheatgrass dominating the understory of mountain big sagebrush steppe in the area of Kelly Canyon after herbicides were used to manage the noxious weed St. Johnswort. High cheatgrass abundance outside its ecological optimum can result from mismanagement of vegetation.

EDUCATION IMPACTS 2013–2015

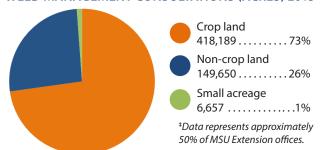
MSU EXTENSION

PESTICIDE EDUCATION DELIVERED 2015†



Regions defined at: pesticides.montana.edu/PAT.

WEED MANAGEMENT CONSULTATIONS (ACRES) 2015[‡]

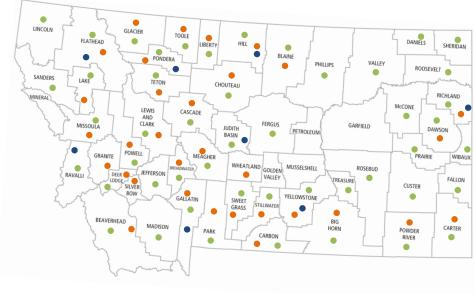


MSU EXTENSION AG AGENTS IN 2015

Note: Bold type denotes Agents who contributed to a survey about Extension weed outreach and education activities.

Kellee Anderson, Silver Bow County • Melissa Ashley, Rosebud and Treasure Counties • Jason Badger, Sanders County • Nikki Bailey, Carbon County • Wendy Becker, Fort Peck Reservation • Verna Billedeaux, Blackfeet Reservation • Dave Brink, Mineral County • Colleen Buck, Sheridan County • Jeff Chilson, Roosevelt County • Darren Crawford, Fergus County • Tim Fine, Richland County • Jesse Fulbright, Liberty County • Nicole Gray, Hill County • Molly Hammond, Big Horn County • Danielle Harper, Wibaux County • Katie Hatlelid, Judith Basin County • Ben Hauptman, Blaine County • Marc King, Sweet Grass County • Rene Kittle, Flathead Reservation • Elin Kittelmann, Carter and Fallon Counties • Allison Kosto, Broadwater County • Steve Lackman, Yellowstone County • Tyler Lane, Chouteau County • Kari Lewis, Glacier County • Emily Lockard, Gallatin County • Dan Lucas, Granite County • Rose Malisani, Cascade County • Marko Manoukian, Phillips County • Jerry Marks, Missoula County • Pat McGlynn, Flathead County • Katrina Mendrey, Ravalli County • Shaelyn Meyer, Pondera County • Eric Miller, Garfield County • Shelley Mills, Valley County • Tracy Mosley, Park County • Ken Nelson, McCone County • Jodi Pauley, Powell County • Abbie Phillip, Deer Lodge County • Mandie Reed, Wheatland County • Brent Roeder, Teton County • Bobbie Roos, Daniels County • Ryhal Rowland, Northern Cheyenne Reservation • Mary Rumph, Powder River County • Sharla Sackman, Prairie County • Brent Sarchet, Lewis and Clark County • Lee Schmelzer, Stillwater County • Mike Schuldt, Custer County • Bruce Smith, Dawson County • Jack Stivers, Lake County • Kimberly Suta, Toole County • Jackie Sutton, Beaverhead County • Mat Walter, Golden and Musselshell Counties • Elizabeth Werk, Fort Belknap Reservation • Billy Whitehurst, Jefferson and Madison Counties

MAES RESEARCHERS AND EXTENSION SPECIALISTS CONTRIBUTING TO EDUCATION AND OUTREACH



- MSU MAES Research Centers
- Off-campus MSU weed education locations 2015
- Counties which submitted plant sample(s) to MSU Schutter Diagnostic Lab in 2015

Off-Campus MSU Weed Education Programs Programs delivered (2015): 81

Individuals reached (2015): 3,991

MSU Schutter Diagnostic Lab
 Weed samples identified (2013–2015): 1,546

Undergraduate and Graduate Level Courses

AGSC 401: Integrated Pest Management ENSC 443/LRES 543: Weed Ecology and Management

ENSC 410/LRES 510: Biodiversity Survey and Monitoring Methods

LRES 540: The Ecology of Plants and Plant Communities

LRES 569: Ecology of Invasive Plants in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem

PSPP 546: Herbicide Mode of Action

Professional Development

Noxious Weed Management Certification Program, Levels 1–3

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS 2013–2015

JOURNAL ARTICLES AND INVITED BOOK CHAPTERS

Bold type denotes MSU faculty, staff, and graduate students.

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Integrated Pest Management

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