

HIDDEN COVE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

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Dear Hidden Cove Residents:

Are noxious weeds invading your property? They like to hang out in subdivisions, vacant lots, roadsides and drainage areas. **SOME OF THEM ARE TRESPASSING IN HIDDEN COVE!!**



A noxious weed is usually non-native. It crowds out beneficial, native and landscaped plants. Many of these weeds are pretty and most people do not consider them a noxious weed (example: Dyer's Woad). Some are unsightly like the Thistles, and some are toxic to humans and wildlife. They take over large areas in a very short time and the nutritional plants that wild animals eat are lost! They will crowd native plants right out and overtake everything. None of them have nutritional value so the moose and other native wildlife will not eat them! One of them, garlic mustard, severely jeopardizes our local Gambel Oaks.



Because of the above reasons, **IT'S AGAINST THE LAW TO HARBOR ANY MEMBER OF THE NOTORIOUS NOXIOUS WEED GANG.** Summit County has passed the noxious weed act (Ordinance 484) and state law requires noxious weed eradication. They can become a nuisance and injuriously affect your neighbors and the subdivision, which is a violation of the CC&Rs.



Several weeds are considered top priority and these are listed on the attached flyer. There are many large areas where these weeds thrive and will begin to affect other areas in the neighborhood

The following noxious weeds and thistles are the ones targeted as high priority (see attached page for more information).

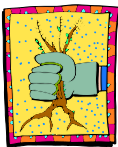
WEEDS

1. Dyer's Woad
2. Spotted Knapweed
3. Garlic Mustard
4. Whitetop/Hoary Cress
5. Hounds Tongue

THISTLES

1. Musk Thistle
2. Canada Thistle
3. Scotch Thistle

DON'T BE AN ACCOMPLICE! HELP STOP THESE NOXIOUS WEEDS NOW! If you have an area on your property harboring these bad guys, please eradicate them by pulling, digging, cutting or spraying. **PLEASE** do not let them mature to seed and spread. They need to be maintained in spring and fall. For additional information on available herbicides for good control, call Summit County Weed Department (435) 640-4188. In some cases the County will supply you with an herbicide and sprayer. We have been told that spraying in oak thickets could damage their root system.



We know it's a pain to crawl around and corral these weeds but we appreciate your help in keeping our neighborhood free of these varmints.

Many thanks,
Your Board of Trustees