

Resolution No. 2023-16
2023 Weed Control Program

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of each County's Board of Supervisors to enforce the provisions of Chapter 317 of the Code of Iowa as amended with regard to the destruction of weeds, and

WHEREAS, under Chapter 317 of the Code of Iowa each county Board of Supervisors may each year prescribe and order a program of weed destruction to be followed by landowners, tenants, and other persons in possession or control of land, and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Cass County Board of Supervisors that a program of weed destruction for the year 2023 is necessary,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that by the Board of Supervisors of Cass County, Iowa: that each owner and each person in the possession or control of any lands in Cass County, including right-of-way of County trunk roads and local County roads, shall cut, burn or otherwise destroy all noxious weeds thereon, as defined in Chapter 317, at such time each year and in such manner to prevent said weeds from blooming or coming to maturity, and shall keep said lands free from such growth as shall render the streets or highways adjoining said lands unsafe for public travel. Noxious weeds shall be cut or otherwise destroyed on or before the following dates and as often thereafter as is necessary to prevent seed production throughout the year:

- Group 1: May 15, 2023 Musk Thistle, Multiflora Rose
- Group 2: May 20, 2023 Leafy Spurge, Smooth Dock, Sour Dock, Sheep Sorrel
- Group 3: June 1, 2023 Canada thistle, Buckthorn, Wild Mustard, Bull Thistle
- Group 4: June 15, 2023 Wild Carrot, Teasel, Poison Hemlock
- Group 5: July 1, 2023 Perennial Sow Thistle, Cocklebur, Wild Sunflower, Shattercane

That in the case of substantial failure to comply with the foregoing order, the Weed Commissioner may impose a maximum penalty of ten dollars fine for each day up to ten days or may give notice to the landowner by certified mail to the last address as ascertained from the last tax list in the county Treasurer's Office. The Weed Commissioner, including his employees, may enter the land without consent for the purpose of destroying noxious weeds five days after delivery of notice, which time shall be computed from the date of mailing. The expense of said work including cost of serving notice and other costs, if any, shall be assessed against the real estate plus an amount equal to twenty-five percent of all sums expended.

Roll Call Vote:

A Baier
A Pettinger
A Green
A Richter
A O'Brien

Resolution adopted this 9th day of May, 2023.



Steve Baier, Chairman,
Board of Supervisors



Kathy Somers
County Auditor