Cass County Weed Control Board Cass County Weed Control Office 1201 Main Ave W, West Fargo Monday, August 9, 2021

The August 9, 2021 meeting of the Cass County Weed Board has been canceled due to lack of business. The next scheduled meeting of the Weed Board is to be held on Monday September 13, 2021 at 10 am.

Weed Control Progress Report

August 2, 2021

Period from June 14 to July 6, 2021

submitted by Stan Wolf

Monthly Report:

2022 Proposed Budget: The Proposed 2021 Weed Control Budget was presented to the County Commission on August 21. The Commission approved the budget as presented and accepted the recommendation of lowering the mill levy to 1.2 mills. Commissioner Scherling expressed her commendation of the Weed Board's dedication and longevity of service the board members are exhibiting.

Spotted Hemlock Bio-control agents: Weed Control staff continued to scout cattail sites across the county and has found additional sites where Spotted hemlock was found. Several sites were located south-east of Erie with one site north of Erie near the county border. Three Spotted hemlock bio-control insect collections (Poison hemlock defoliating moth pupae) were ordered and released, one each in Davenport, Erie, and Empire townships. The total cost of the insects came to \$520.00.

Contractor spraying: Walker's Lawncare has continued to spray the northern portion of the county when weather conditions allow. J & J Spraying will start spraying the southern section in September as they have done in past years. To date 1454 acres have been sprayed costing \$56,342.50.

Wild Parsnip: Wild parsnip has been found along Hwy 38 and 29th St SE and east of Mapleton along Hwy 10. The Co 38 area was sprayed by county staff on Monday, August 2. The Mapleton area is located on private property. The property owners have been notified and advised to control the weed since it is so close to Mapleton.

Summer Field Aid: Jeff Grieve has ended his employment on July 25. His assistance was much appreciated.

Upcoming Events:

Cass Co Weed Board NDWCA Board meeting Sept. 13 Sept. 28, Bismarck