O'Brien County Resolution No. 2025-13
Weed Notice

To All Property Owners:

Be It Resolved, by the Board of Supervisors of O'Brien County, Iowa:

That pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 317, Code of Iowa, 2023, it is hereby ordered:

1. That each owner and each person in the possession or control of any lands in O'Brien County shall cut burn or otherwise destroy all noxious weeds thereon, as defined in this chapter, at such times in each year and in such manner as shall prevent said weeds from blooming or coming to maturity, and shall keep said lands free from such growth of any other weeds as shall render the streets or highways adjoining said land unsafe for public travel. Also, in accord with a motion adopted by the Board of Supervisors on May 13, 2025, all owners or persons in control of lands adjacent to any secondary road of O'Brien County must control noxious weeds in roads adjacent to their lands in accord with the following schedule. 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:

Group 1. June 10, 2025 for Leafy Spurge; Hoary Cress, also known as White Top and Perennial Peppergrass; Curly Dock, also known as Sour Dock; Smooth Dock, also known as Pale Dock; Red Sorrel, also known as Sheep Sorrel.

Group 2. June 10, 2025 for Canada Thistle; Russian Knapweed; Buckhorn Plantain; Wild Mustard.

Group 3. June 10, 2025 for Field Bindweed, also known as European Morning Glory or Creeping Jennie; Wild Carrot, also known as Queen Anne's Lace; Poison Hemlock, also known as Deadly Hemlock.

Group 4. June 10, 2025 for Horsenettle, also known as Bull Nettle; Perennial Sowthistle; Quackgrass; Velvetleaf, also known as Buttonweed, Indian Mallow or Butterprint; Puncturevine, also known as Caltrop, Ground Burnut or Tackweed; Cocklebur; Bull Thistle; Tall Thistle, also known as Field Thistle; Musk Thistle; Wild Sunflower; Teasel, Multiflora Rose, Shattercane.

2. That each owner and each person in the possession or control of any lands in O'Brien County infested with any noxious weeds listed above shall adopt a program of weed destruction described by the Weed Commissioner which in five years may be expected to destroy and will immediately keep under control such infestations of said noxious weeds.

3. That if the owners or persons in possession or control of any lands in O'Brien County fail to comply with the foregoing orders, the Weed Commissioner shall cause this to be done and the expense of said work, including cost of serving notice and other costs, if any, to be assessed against the real estate, or he may at his option levy a fine of $10.00 per day for up to ten days.

4. That the County Auditor be and is hereby directed to cause notice of the making and entering of the foregoing order by one publication in each of the official newspapers of the county.

Be It Further Resolved, that O'Brien County be designated as a weed control unit

Barbara Bothwell
Chair Board of Supervisors

Attest:
County Auditor