ORDINANCE 875 sec. 6 (4,5) PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM:

Prevent overgrown weeds which may create fire hazards.

Prevent the spread of noxious weeds that are harmful to the health and function of the ecosystem.

Prevent hazard to pedestrian or vehicular use of any sidewalk or street by obstructing passage or vision.

PROGRAM ENFORCEMENT:

May through October

Lots <u>less than one acre</u> must be completely free of dry vegetation

Lots <u>greater than an acre</u> shall maintain a 20 foot fire break free of dry vegetation around all property boundaries

All vacant lots must be free of all noxious weeds

Owners with non-compliant lots will receive written notice, and 10 days to bring lot(s) into compliance.

Questions? Call 541-475-2344

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Weed Abatement & Noxious Weed Control Program

CITY OF MADRAS, OREGON











Puncture Vine (aka "goat heads")

WHAT ARE NOXIOUS WEEDS?

Non-native, aggressive plants brought to the United States

Invading vast areas across the West, including the Madras and Jefferson County areas

Increasing soil erosion

Robbing native plants of water, nutrients and light

Reducing habitat for wildlife

Potentially toxic to humans and animals

Decreasing available livestock forage

Degrading recreation areas

Invading cropland and pastures

Per Jefferson County's Weed List

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Maintain property free and clear of all noxious weeds.

Report weed sightings

- Within City limits, 475-2344
- Within Jeff. County, 475-4459



Yellow Star Thistle



Scotch Thistle



White Top



Perennial Pepperweed

Diffuse Knapweed