

Puncture Vine is an annual that spreads along the ground forming mats of stems. Small yellow, 5-petal flowers are on short stalks at leaf nodes. Its circular, spiny burrs separate into five sections when ripe



Knapweed is on the City of Madras noxious weed list and also listed in the Oregon Department of Agriculture Noxious Weed Policy and Classification System.

You don't have to look far to find knapweed in Madras you can see it on almost every block; it is on corners, in driveways, and along yards. The City of Madras is asking all of our citizens to take some time and inspect your yard and property.



Spring will be here before you know it, and so will the noxious weeds.

The City of Madras will be working with Raven Research and Jefferson County to identify and notify residents of noxious weeds and potential fire hazard. With spring just months away now is the time to be thinking about weed control. During spring you can apply pre-emergent to help control weed growth. During summer continuous spraying of immature plants and pulling mature plants will go along way in reducing the spread of noxious weeds.

If you have questions about weed abatement please don't hesitate to call and ask questions we are here to help. (541) 475-2344

<https://www.ci.madras.or.us/publicworks/page/weed-abatement-program> .

You may also contact Jefferson County Weed Program Coordinator, Thomas Laird 541-475-4459.

<https://www.jeffco.net/publicworks/page/collaborators> .

OSU Extension Office also has information on weed control. 541-475-7107

A weed is any plant growing where it is not wanted. A noxious weed is a plant (growing on the land or in the water) that spreads quickly and can cause big problems for the environment.



City Ordinance No. 875 stipulates that between May and October of any year, no property owner or person in charge of property may allow noxious vegetation to be on the property or in the public right-of-way abutting the property. *It is the duty of an owner or person in charge of property to cut down or to destroy grass, shrubbery, brush and bushes to prevent them from becoming a fire hazard, or, in the case of weeds or other noxious vegetation, from maturing or from going to seed;*
the entire lot must be free of noxious weeds as defined by the Jefferson County noxious weeds list.

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Lots **less than one acre** shall be maintained completely free of dry grass and weeds that may constitute a fire hazard.

Lots **greater than one acre** shall be maintained within a twenty (20) foot fire break around the perimeter of the lot that is clear of all dry grass and weeds

All vacant lots must be free of all noxious weeds – regardless of the lot size

Give a weed an inch and it will take a yard...a forest...a lake.