



Noxious Weed Control 13001.381.

Mission Statement

To serve as responsible stewards of Clallam County by protecting the land and resources from the degrading impacts of noxious weeds.

Function

Administer and enforce RCW 17-10, Noxious Weeds-Control Boards and WAC 16-750, State Noxious Weed List and Schedule of Monetary Penalties.

Trends/Events

1. Our inspection program and outreach to landowners has increased since the creation of a fully funded weed inspector. We are able to interact with more landowners, ensure weed control and offer more services.
2. The addition of a full-time weed inspector has allowed us to target rare noxious weeds for eradication in Clallam County. The inspector is able to survey and ensure treatment occurs on all known infestations of a select number of noxious weed species rare in Clallam County. Treating noxious weed infestations before they have a chance to get established and spread is a cost-effective way to protect the economy and natural resources of Clallam County from the effects of these weeds.
3. In previous years, the inspector, coordinator and seasonal staff were the primary employees performing weed control work for our grants (Title II, WSDA Knotweed) and at-cost weed control work. With our inspection program fully funded, there are fewer employees available for the grant work. As a consequence, we will be hiring a weed technician in 2025 who will be primarily working on those projects.
4. With the addition of a weed technician, we hope to expand our number of partners and the amount at-cost weed control work that the program can perform. Our staff is highly trained and can efficiently identify and treat noxious weeds, especially in sensitive areas where treatment requires additional care and permitting. We hope to further coordinate weed control priorities between various landowners and agencies and ensure that regulated weeds are being controlled.
5. Permanent staffing levels have greatly improved our ability to increase public service and satisfaction while achieving our goal of increased weed control. Full time staffing has given the program additional flexibility, allowing us to be less reliant on an increasingly expensive and scarce seasonal labor pool to fulfill the demands of our increased workload.

- Continued to strengthen and support material source inspection and certification program for all rock sources. Assistance includes timely inspections, weed control plans, detailed reports and certifications. Produced list of current status in regard to weed-free certification for road department personnel. This has multiple cross jurisdictional effects on projects within both Clallam and Jefferson County.

Goals

- Facilitate collaborative weed management between multi-jurisdictional landowners and managers.
- Ensure sufficient resources to meet intra-departmental and governmental requests for services.
- Investigate and invest in new technology that can improve our efficiency and effectiveness to better serve the public.
- Promote programmatic prevention practices and protocols to further limit new invasive plant species from becoming established in the county and to inhibit existing ones from spreading.
- Support native plants revegetation projects and encourage planting for native pollinator habitat where feasible.
- Increase availability and capacity of local, native plant material sources.
- Anticipate potential funding shortfalls and work to stabilize.

Workload Indicators

	2023 Actual	2024 Actual	6/30/25 Actual
Formal land owner notification	243	351	237
Compliance checks	153	405	325
Information requests/site visits by request	1636	3116	1395
Community presentations or events	13	13	14
Weeds removed manually	12,532	67,960	20,240
Number of noxious weed infestations monitored or controlled	970	2362	1723
Area surveyed: County road miles/Forest Service acreage	129/94	571.6/183.4	89.4/0.1
Manage Integrated Weed Control Programs for various County Departments	1-3 staff plus volunteers	2-6 staff plus volunteers	2-4 staff plus volunteers
Lead entity for the Olympic Invasive Working Group and knotweed control - number of waterways worked in/number of landowners assisted with knotweed treatment	3/15	9/48	0/0
Lake Sutherland Management District	\$1,575	\$4,066	\$1,500
Weed Control Services	\$71,554	\$39,436	\$63,653
WA Noxious Weed Control Board	\$88,764	\$208,850	\$139,760
WSDA Grant Management	\$13,931	\$14,339	0
USDA Forest Service	\$51,601	\$0	\$37,669

Grant Funding Sources

This fund receives grant revenue from the following agencies:

1. US Department of Agriculture, Forest Service Title II
2. Washington State Department of Agriculture

Revenues

	2023 Actual	2024 Actual	6/30/25 Actual	2026 Budget
Beginning Fund Balance	230,895	224,962	226,111	244,038
Taxes	0	0	0	0
Licenses and Permits	0	0	0	0
Intergovernmental Revenues	65,532	14,339	37,669	44,500
Charges for Goods and Services	73,129	43,502	65,153	222,410
Fines and Forfeits	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Revenues	88,824	208,850	139,760	213,680
Other Financing Sources	0	0	0	0
Transfers In	0	0	0	0
Total	458,380	491,654	468,693	724,628

Expenditures

	2023 Actual	2024 Actual	6/30/25 Actual	2026 Budget
Ending Fund Balance	224,962	226,111	265,248	242,501
Salaries and Wages	113,521	129,475	91,325	285,595
Personnel Benefits	50,070	55,585	43,340	121,891
Supplies	12,753	10,710	2,273	14,667
Other Services and Charges	14,073	18,049	7,467	30,068
Intergovernmental Services	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlays	0	0	36,238	0
Interfund Payments for Services	43,001	51,723	22,802	29,906
Transfers Out	0	0	0	0
Total	458,380	491,653	468,693	724,628

Staffing

	2023 Actual	2024 Actual	6/30/25 Actual	2026 Budget
Full Time Equivalents	2.00	2.00	2.00	4.00