

Regular Meeting of the Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board
9:00 a.m. November 7th, 2018
Coast Wenatchee Center Hotel and
Online/Teleconferenced via WebEx

Handouts provided for meeting:

- Agenda for meeting
- Draft minutes of the September 20th, 2018 meeting
- Office reports for 2nd half of September and October
- FY19 Budget summary for September
- List of WSNWCB committees
- Suggestions for content in a Board Member’s Handbook
- Travel reimbursement forms for board members

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Tony Stadelman.

ROLL CALL:

Board Members Present

Tony Stadelman	Bill Agosta	Rod Gilbert
Brad White	Jerry Hendrickson	Tim Miller
Janet Spingath	Dirk Veleke	Jenifer Parsons

Others present:

- Wendy DesCamp, WA State Noxious Weed Control Board
 Sasha Shaw, King County Noxious Weed Control Board
 Seth Luginbill, Island County Noxious Weed Control Board
 Julie Sanderson, Chelan County Noxious Weed Control Board
 Duane Lane, Cowlitz County Noxious Weed Control Board
 Mike Mackey, Chelan County Noxious Weed Control Board
 Mary Fee, King County Noxious Weed Control Board
 Brett Burrows, City of Tacoma
 Sherri Duff, Adams County Noxious Weed Control Board
 Eric Bell, Adams County Noxious Weed Control Board
 Jennifer Andreas, WSU Extension Integrated Weed Control Project
 Cathy Lucero, Clallam County Noxious Weed Control Board
 Emily Stevenson, Skamania County Noxious Weed Control Board
 Pat Grover, Mason County Noxious Weed Control Board (WebEx)
 Joseph Shea, Skagit County Noxious Weed Control Board

BOARD MEMBER UPDATES:

Bill Agosta reported that San Juan County created a video on controlling tansy ragwort, and it is posted on their website.

Jenifer Parsons said that permits for aquatic weed work are being updated with some herbicides additions, and the public comment period should be opening up soon, possibly this week. Jon Jennings is presenting about this topic at the conference on Thursday.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board reviewed the draft meeting minutes for the September 20th regular meeting.

VOTE	Bill Agosta	Moved to accept the minutes for the September 20th regular meeting.
		Janet Spingath had a question about Greg’s update from the September 20 th meeting, about where aminopyralid can currently be applied. Jen said it would be good to check the current proposed language for the permit.
	Jerry Hendrickson	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

OFFICE UPDATES

Wendy highlighted the following information from the office reports:

- She has been spending much of her time working on the Code Revision process for 2019. She has submitted the CR-102 and the SBEIS analysis. She met with Henri Gonzales and Gloriann Robinson of WSDA and reviewed these documents with their AAG. She also has posted the code revision documents and information about the proposed noxious weed list changes online, along with our press release and public hearing information.
- Much of her time was also spent on preparing for and conducting interviews with the hiring committee to fill the Executive Secretary position. Interviews were held October 24th.
- She worked with the Board to put together a letter of support for the Lewis County Noxious Weed Control Board in support of the ordinance to fund their weed board by assessment. The ordinance did pass.
- She provided information to Cindy Cooper about the State Weed Board’s petition to add additional noxious weed species to the quarantine list. WSDA will let her know when the comment period begins for public comments regarding these proposed noxious weed additions.
- She has spent time in preparation for the public hearing, the board meeting, and the weed conference.

The Board discussed

Tony asked Wendy about the Lewis County NWCB assessment and how much money that would generate for the board. She thought the yearly total for them would be around \$300,000.

WSDA UPDATE

Brad White provided the update. Greg reported to Brad that this is the report season at WSDA as projects are winding down. He did follow up with their Rules Coordinator, Henri Gonzales, about the Board making changes to the WAC that covers the weed board staff positions, and it looks like the Board can go

through rule-making without a public hearing. They still have to go through the rest of the rule-making process, which is called the expedited rule-making process. The board can decide if and when they want to proceed with the expedited process.

The Board discussed:

- Tony asked Brad if it would be easier to do this with the normal November meeting and rule-making schedule. Brad said the two could be uncoupled and may be clearer if they were separate.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Board reviewed the FY19 Budget summary for September. Wendy discussed with the Board:

- Due to when she received their budget information, they only have information through September on the spreadsheet, as the October budget information will not post for another week.
- They are underspending right now due to the salary and benefit surplus from the open Executive Secretary position.
- They still have not had the 5% budget cut from WSDA that they discussed at the previous board meeting. Brad confirmed this and said it should show up soon.
- There was nothing out of the ordinary to post in September beside their normal expenses. The \$350 display table fee did post to the budget for the Weed Conference.

The Board discussed:

- Tony asked Brad if the budget cut would show up in their budget by January. Brad said that would probably be the case and that by subtracting \$12,500 from their surplus, they would have a fairly accurate idea of what their surplus will be once the Executive Secretary position is filled.

Special projects funding for WSU Integrated Weed Control Project.

For the past several years, the State Weed Board has supported WSU's Integrated Weed Control Project, a state wide statewide biocontrol program run by Jennifer Andreas, with yearly support of \$5,000. The Board heard from Jennifer about her program and will consider the continuation of this funding.

Jennifer Andreas discussed how her program provides biological control agents to landowners and land managers throughout Washington and highlighted the following the items.

- Typically she conducts around 400 releases per year across the state, benefiting many counties.
- She provides education including public presentations and creating educational materials such as technical manuals on noxious weeds, including knotweed, Scotch broom, and gorse. She also has worked with Wendy to create materials including EDRR postcards.
- She is working with Chis Looney of WSDA on a survey about public perceptions of biocontrol.
- Her program is completely grant funded, so she has to pull together funds from many sources, and the Weed Board funding has been very beneficial to her program.
- She monitors biological control agents as part of a western U.S. program evaluating their efficacy.
- She uses State Weed Board funds to hire summer field technicians and also to pay for travel.

The Board and audience discussed:

- Tony asked Jennifer about the timing of her fiscal year and how her funding looked for the near future. She answered that her funds come from many sources, and she has to balance different

budgets that are based on different time frames. The coming year should be okay with the assumption that planned funds come in.

- Mike Mackey encouraged the Board to continue to fund the program to help retain summer field technicians that they rely on to receive biocontrol agents at their projects. Jennifer noted that if she has the funds, she can hire two full-time summer field technicians and keep them on longer in the season.
- Eric Bell remarked that they only receive a couple of negative comments about biocontrol in situations where fields with biocontrol releases cannot be sprayed; otherwise, everything is fine. Jennifer says that education is important when using biological control, and talking to land owners can help the situation.
- Tim asked Jennifer to comment on the ongoing knotweed and flowering rush biocontrol research. She reported that the knotweed biocontrol agent should hopefully be approved for release in 2019. There are some challenges with this agent, and it will need to be reared in Washington. There could be the possibility of using prisons to help with the rearing. The flowering rush research is moving along well. There are three potential biocontrol agents, with a root-mining weevil the furthest along in testing. The petition for the weevil may be submitted in 2019 or 2020.
- Also, she noted the whitetop mite was approved for release, and it may take about three years before she has access to it. She has collected a lot of pre-release data in preparation for its release.
- Tony and the board agreed to wait until the January meeting to decide on funding once they have their budget surplus amount. They can also discuss other special-project funding then as well.

REVIEW OF CURRENT STATE WEED BOARD COMMITTEES

Tony asked if any Board members would like to be added to or taken off of any of the Board committees. Janet said she was not on any committees and could be added to one. Tony added her to the Public Lands Committee.

THE 2019 NOXIOUS WEED LIST

Proposed Class B designation changes:

Eurasian watermilfoil, *Myriophyllum spicatum*, grass-leaved arrowhead, *Sagittaria graminea*, diffuse knapweed, *Centaurea diffusa*, and purple loosestrife, *Lythrum salicaria*, in Mason County.

The Board discussed: These four species are already selected for control in Mason County and populations are being controlled.

VOTE	Jerry Hendrickson	Moved to designate Eurasian watermilfoil, <i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i> , grass-leaved arrowhead, <i>Sagittaria graminea</i> , diffuse knapweed, <i>Centaurea diffusa</i> , and purple loosestrife, <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> , in Mason County.
	Bill Agosta	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

Hoary alyssum, *Berteroa incana*, in Ferry County.

Janet asked about Anna Lyon’s question of having hoary alyssum designated along the border of the county. Tony remarked that would have to be considered next year as the board can only consider the proposal as written. Wendy also noted that the letter from Ferry County mentioned still focusing control efforts on roadside populations to prevent spread into neighboring counties.

VOTE	Janet Spingath	Moved to undesignate hoary alyssum, <i>Berteroa incana</i> , in Ferry County
	Jerry Hendrickson	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

Eurasian watermilfoil, *Myriophyllum spicatum*

The Board discussed:

- Tim Miller discussed how the Noxious Weed Committee will still reexamine Eurasian watermilfoil (EWM) and consider making a change for the 2020 noxious weed list. The Board can handle these proposed changes however they like, but the Committee will still discuss EWM changes for 2020.
- Tony asked how the Committee is going to look at the Columbia River and EWM. Jenifer Parsons replied that will be what the Committee will discuss, and also EWM is not only in the Columbia River but is in many other major rivers in Washington as well as over 100 lakes. Control efforts are pretty sporadic and generally locally driven. While EWM is controlled in some areas, on a statewide perspective it fits the definition of a Class C noxious weed, rather than a Class B. The Committee will consider reclassifying it or coming up with a realistic way to designate it.
- Mike Mackey agreed with EWM being a Class C in ponds and tributaries but doesn’t agree with that classification for the Columbia River. He cares about the Columbia River and the economic benefits it provides and noted that we’ve been ignoring it for too long. It’s a habitat problem.
- Dirk noted it is a bigger problem than the Weed Board, and that the legislature needs to be involved and on board to provide financial support.
- Jenifer pointed out that another complicating factor in parts of the Columbia River is that EWM is not a dominating plant and there are native plants that are blocking fish passage.
- Mike noted that pressure needs to start someplace to get legislators and federal agencies to help. Many of the issues can be fixed, and the discussion of how this can happen needs to start.
- Joseph Shea commented that a system-wide approach is needed with aquatic noxious weeds species.
- Tony agreed with Joseph but did note that every county is different and has its own priorities, which makes this a challenge. He said that Kittitas County can still select EWM to be controlled in their county. Tim said that Dave Heimer made the point of having limited funds to manage EWM and only had short-term funding from Department of Ecology for management. Jenifer commented that Dave has tried to control it in the main lakes in Kittitas County, but has found the hybrid milfoil has come in after the EWM treatment and it is a lot harder to kill.
- Mike Mackey commented on the various land ownerships of the Columbia River and that Dave doesn’t have to carry the whole load on control.

- Jenifer pointed out that the ponds they are referring to are WDFW. Tim noted that WDFW is not worried about the Columbia River in this case; rather, the focus is these freshwater ponds. Jenifer noted they are gravel pit ponds that are used for fishing.
- Cowlitz County has some EWM in the Columbia River, and Jen reported they also have it in ditches in the Longview/Kelso area.

Eurasian watermilfoil, *Myriophyllum spicatum*, in Cowlitz County.

VOTE	Tony Stadelman	Called for a motion to undesignate Eurasian watermilfoil, <i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i> , in Cowlitz County.
		No motion was made

Eurasian watermilfoil, *Myriophyllum spicatum*, in Kittitas County.

VOTE	Tony Stadelman	Called for a motion to designate Eurasian watermilfoil, <i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i> , in Kittitas County except for the Columbia River.
		No motion was made

Brazilian elodea, *Egeria densa*

The Board discussed:

Brazilian elodea occurs in an area of canals in the Longview area, Cowlitz County. Jenifer Parsons remarked it is really Ludwigia that is the dominant invasive species there, though there are a lot of other aquatic noxious species as well.

VOTE	Dirk Veleke	Moved to designate Brazilian elodea, <i>Egeria densa</i> , in Pacific County.
	Jerry Hendrickson	Seconded the motion
	The Board discussed	Brazilian elodea has a low distribution in Pacific County.
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

VOTE	Jerry Hendrickson	Moved to designate Brazilian elodea, <i>Egeria densa</i> , in Snohomish County.
	Janet Spingath	Seconded the motion
	The Board discussed	Brazilian elodea has a low distribution in Snohomish County.
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

VOTE	Brad White	Moved to undesignate Brazilian elodea, <i>Egeria densa</i> , in Cowlitz County.
	Jerry Hendrickson	Seconded the motion
	The Board discussed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dirk commented that Pacific County and Cowlitz County are close to each other and questioned undesignating it in Cowlitz County. • Jen noted that Cowlitz County does not have a lot of it and has not been controlling it in the Longview/Kelso area canals, which are managed by a canal company. There are many other noxious weeds in that area as well. It is also in the Columbia River, some small ponds near the I-5 corridor, and in few other small lakes. Those areas

		<p>would be manageable if Cowlitz County applied to Ecology for grant money.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Janet asked Jenifer if she thought it was controllable. Jenifer thought it was where she knew of it, but she doesn't know its distribution in the rivers. • Tim noted that Pacific and Snohomish counties thought they could get the populations they know about under control. • Jen said it is somewhat easy to control as it is susceptible to Diquat and doesn't make seed. If plants can be treated a couple years in a row, they can be controlled. They've been able to eradicate it from several lakes successfully. • Tony asked Jen about the canals, and she thought they were used for drainage and the management is up to the diking district. She noted there isn't that much of it in the canals, but the surface is covered with Ludwigia. They also have parrotfeather, fanwort, EWM, and others, but Ludwigia is the dominant species.
	<i>The Board</i>	Motion not carried.

Butterfly bush, *Buddleja davidii*

VOTE	Janet Spingath	Moved to designate Butterfly bush, <i>Buddleja davidii</i> , in San Juan and Grays Harbor counties.
	Jerry Hendrickson	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

Camelthorn, *Alhagi maurorum*

VOTE	Jerry Hendrickson	Moved to designate camelthorn, <i>Alhagi maurorum</i> , in Walla Walla County.
	Janet Spingath	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

Dalmatian toadflax, *Linaria dalmatica* ssp. *dalmatica*

VOTE	Dirk Veleke	Moved to designate Dalmatian toadflax, <i>Linaria dalmatica</i> ssp. <i>dalmatica</i> , in Cowlitz, Kittitas, and Franklin counties.
	Jerry Hendrickson	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

European coltsfoot, *Tussilago farfara*

VOTE	Jerry Hendrickson	Moved to designate European coltsfoot, <i>Tussilago farfara</i> , in Adams, Lincoln, Benton, and Franklin counties.
	Janet Spingath	Seconded the motion
	The Board discussed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Janet asked if it would grow in those counties. Tim responded they originally thought it wouldn't grow in the Basin area. He conducted an herbicide trial, gathering plants from Snohomish County in a riparian site with sandy soil. If it will grow in those conditions, there is no reason to expect it couldn't grow in eastern Washington riparian areas. There are no known populations in these counties.
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

Fanwort, *Cabomba caroliniana*

VOTE	Bill Agosta	Moved to designate Fanwort, <i>Cabomba caroliniana</i> , in Grays Harbor County.
	Jerry Hendrickson	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

Hairy willow-herb, *Epilobium hirsutum*

VOTE	Jerry Hendrickson	Moved to designate Hairy willow-herb, <i>Epilobium hirsutum</i> , in Walla Walla County.
	Bill Agosta	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

Hoary alyssum, *Berteroa incana*

Tim remarked that the proposal to undesignate is due to its distribution. Hoary alyssum is invading Spokane County from the northeast and its increased distribution makes control difficult for the Spokane County NWCB. Wendy noted that they would still prioritize its management, but its distribution is beyond that to fit the definition of a Class B designate. Jerry asked what Ferry and Stevens counties are doing about hoary alyssum. Wendy checked with Stevens County, and they have an active control program in place and are okay with keeping it designated. Tim noted the Board has already discussed Ferry County.

VOTE	Tony Stadelman	Called for a motion to undesignate Hoary alyssum, <i>Berteroa incana</i> , in Spokane County.
		No motion was made

Houndstongue, *Cynoglossum officinale*

VOTE	Jerry Hendrickson	Moved to designate Houndstongue, <i>Cynoglossum officinale</i> , in Douglas and Franklin counties.
	Janet Spingath	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

Indigobush, *Amorpha fruticosa*

VOTE	Janet Spingath	Moved to undesignate Indigobush, <i>Amorpha fruticosa</i> , in Skamania County.
	Jerry Hendrickson	Seconded the motion
	The Board discussed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brad asked about the distribution and Tim answered that they had solid distribution along the river, 100% along sections. Skamania County is working to control it, and Emily is doing what she can but they have a high distribution.
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

Hawkweeds, nonnative species of the wall subgenus, *Hieracium* subgenus *Hieracium*

VOTE	Jerry Hendrickson	Moved to undesignate Hawkweeds, nonnative species of the wall subgenus, <i>Hieracium</i> subgenus <i>Hieracium</i> , in Skamania and Clark counties.
	Janet Spingath	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	Motion not carried.

Hawkweeds, nonnative species of the meadow subgenus, *Hieracium* subgenus *Pilosella*

VOTE	Jerry Hendrickson	Moved to designate Hawkweeds, nonnative species of the meadow subgenus, <i>Hieracium</i> subgenus <i>Pilosella</i> , in Ferry County.
	Dirk Veleke	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

VOTE	Tony Stadelman	Called for a motion to undesignate Hawkweeds, nonnative species of the meadow subgenus, <i>Hieracium</i> subgenus <i>Pilosella</i> , in Skamania County.
		No motion made

Meadow knapweed, *Centaurea x moncktonii*

VOTE	Brad White	Moved to undesignate Meadow knapweed, <i>Centaurea x moncktonii</i> , in Skamania and Clark counties.
	Jerry Hendrickson	Seconded the motion
	The Board discussed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brad, in looking that distribution, noted they have thousands of acres. Tim agreed and said it is a similar situation in Skamania though they are in a lower category on the distribution map.
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

Spotted knapweed, *Centaurea stoebe*

VOTE	Bill Agosta	Moved to undesignate Spotted knapweed, <i>Centaurea stoebe</i> , in Skamania and Clark counties.
	Janet Spingath	Seconded the motion
	The Board discussed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dirk asked about Skamania County undesignating a number of

		weeds and asked if it was a budget problem. Tim answered that they heard from Emily on the Noxious Weed Committee, and these knapweeds and hawkweeds are mostly a roadside problem and they have to prioritize the noxious weeds they control. They are spraying along the roadsides. They have a lot of the knapweeds, but not in the highest category. Clark County noted they have more than 1,000 acres. Brad asked if they are voting on the proposals together, considering Clark County's comments.
	Bill Agosta	Moved to withdraw his motion
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion withdrawn

Spotted knapweed, *Centaurea stoebe*, in Skamania County

VOTE	Jerry Hendrickson	Moved to undesignate Spotted knapweed, <i>Centaurea stoebe</i> , in Skamania County.
	Janet Spingath	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

Spotted knapweed, *Centaurea stoebe*, in Clark County

VOTE	Brad White	Moved to undesignate Spotted knapweed, <i>Centaurea stoebe</i> , in Clark County.
		No second
		Motion does not go forward

Shiny geranium, *Geranium lucidum*

Tim noted that Skamania County is where some of the first populations of shiny geranium were found, on the border of Clark and Skamania. Quite a lot of it has been found in oak forests and other locations. Tim read off some of Emily's comment about having to visit sites four times a year, and they aren't able to keep up with it.

VOTE	Tony Stadelman	Called for a motion to undesignate shiny geranium, <i>Geranium lucidum</i> , in Skamania County.
		No motion made

Scientific name updates

- Kochia: *Kochia scoparia* to *Bassia scoparia*
- Leafy spurge: *Euphorbia esula* to *Euphorbia virgata*
- Himalayan knotweed: *Polygonum polystachyum* to *Persicaria wallichii*
- Russian knapweed: *Acroptilon repens* to *Rhaponticum repens*
- Tansy ragwort: *Senecio jacobaea* to *Jacobaea vulgaris*

O T	Bill Agosta	Moved to update the scientific names of these five noxious weeds
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Jerry Hendrickson	Seconded the motion
<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

Draft Board Handbook

Janet reviewed a list of topics for a Board Handbook with the Board.

The Board discussed:

- Janet suggested including Board Member contact information. Wendy noted that we include Board Member contact information in our directory that goes out to county noxious weed boards.
- Bill asked to include the area which each of the elected regional board members represents.
- Janet thought training for new board members would be helpful.
- Regarding her topic of how liability is covered for the Executive Secretary and weed coordinators, Brad remarked they could address the liability for the Executive Secretary but he didn't think they would address the liability of the weed coordinators. Bill and Brad agreed that is a county issue.
- Two older copies of board member handbooks were mailed to Janet. These handbooks cover elected and appointed boards, and Tony noted that as the State Weed Board is a combination of these, it can cause some confusion.
- Janet said she would work on the draft and the Board can review it. Janet thought she would have a draft to send to Jerry in January and have the Board review it in March when they are meeting in person in Chelan.

Executive Secretary Update

Tony reported to the Board that the hiring committee conducted interviews on October 24th and had a top candidate. The Board needed to determine a starting salary since this is an exempt position and he suggested they use salary range 70 step B, because of the candidate's experience, which would be \$5,668 per month.

VOTE	Bill Agosta	Moved for the starting salary to be \$5,668 per month.
	Dirk Veleke	Seconded the motion
	<i>The Board</i>	All in favor, no opposition, motion carried.

With that passing, Tony announced the new Executive Secretary for the State Noxious Weed Control Board is Mary Fee. Her first day will be December 3rd.

COORDINATORS FORUM

Joseph Shea, Skagit County Noxious Weed Control Board

- They have a couple new potential board members that are being considered for vacant positions.
- A supplemental budget proposal is being considered for an additional full-time position, which would be a great help to get another person on staff.

Mike Mackey, Chelan County Noxious Weed Control Board.

- In reference to county weed board funding, they need to encourage and move to having all counties funded by assessments so they have the funding they need to run their programs.
- Tony noted the Board has always supported counties moving to assessment funding as it more stable.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Jerry brought up the point Mike Mackey made about Eurasian watermilfoil in the Columbia River and thought a study group may be needed to start the discussion and see which organizations may be involved.

The Board and audience discussed:

- Mike thought this was a discussion that WSDA could start, pulling in other groups. The governor's committee on saving orcas has not addressed this issue. Mike asked the Weed Board to write a letter as they have more clout. He said the issue of aquatic noxious weed control is often overlooked, and they have many negative impacts.
- Jerry asked Mike to write a letter to the State Weed Board as a starting place.
- Jenifer Parsons said there is a CWMA for the Columbia Basin that focuses on flowering rush, and there is also the 100th Meridian Initiative's Columbia River Basin Team that works with the zebra/quagga mussels in the Columbia.
- Janet noted that someone drowned this past year in Eurasian watermilfoil.
- Tim and Tony discussed including other states as well as Canada to address what is outside of Washington and that it is important to address what is upriver.
- Dirk commented that this needs to start with the governor's office.
- Tony asked Jenifer what Canada is doing, and she answered that Canada is concerned but they have fewer tools to work with as they can only use Diquat in water. They use a lot of diver hand-pulling and mechanical control.

NEXT BOARD SCHEDULE FOR 2019

The Board set the following tentative dates and locations for the 2019 State Weed Board meetings:

- Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. as a WebEx meeting hosted in Olympia
- Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in Chelan
- Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. as a WebEx meeting hosted in Olympia
- Thursday, July 18, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. as a WebEx meeting hosted in Olympia
- Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. as a WebEx meeting hosted in Olympia
- Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. public hearing and Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. board meeting, both in Wenatchee.

Tony asked Brad if the Board could get travel expenses back so they can move the meeting around to provide more access. Brad said he wasn't sure and he can look into it. Tony asked if it could help for the Board to talk to their legislatures about travel expenses being added back to their budget. He would like the Board to meet face to face for all meetings. Brad remarked this upcoming legislative session is a budget one. Tony said they should be talking to their legislators now.

The meeting adjourned at 10:47 am by a motion by Bill Agosta, seconded by Jerry Hendrickson.
All in favor.

Tony Stadelman, Chairman
WSNWCB

Dirk Veleke, Secretary
WSNWCB
