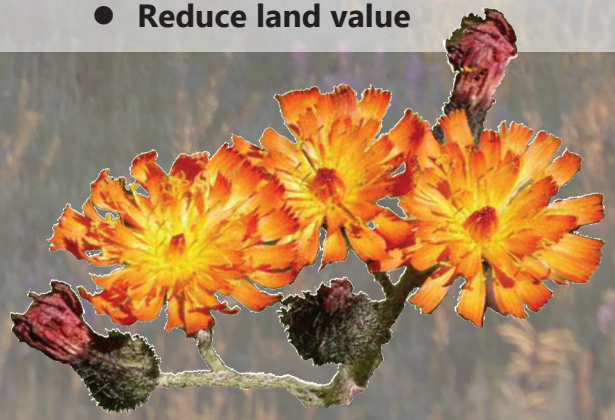
Not Just a Pretty Wildflower

Noxious weeds pose a major threat to Montana's economy and environment. During the past century, weeds have expanded to infest over 8.2 million acres, or 9% of the state, degrading the productivity and biological diversity of ecosystems.

NOXIOUS WEEDS CAN...

- Be poisonous to livestock
- Decrease crop production
- Outcompete native forage
- Reduce habitat for wildlife
- Reduce soil stability
- Decrease water resources
- Reduce land value



APPLY ONLINE

STEP 1: DESIGNATE A PROJECT COORDINATOR

Project coordinators can be from the County Weed District, Tribal Weed District, Conservation Distric, Extension Office, University, or a non-profit.

STEP 2: ORGANIZE AND PLAN

Create a cooperative weed management area, map weed infestations, plan a budget, plan weed management strategies or project scope, and outline project activities and education events.

STEP 3: COMPLETE AN APPLICATION

Project coordinators can complete the full application online at www.fundingmt.org. New local cooperatives must also completa a checklist EA. Specific instructions and guidelines can be found on the NWTF webpage: www.agr.mt.gov/.

STEP 4: SUBMIT REPORTS AND CLAIMS

Once the project is complete, submit a final status report which summarizes activities and accomplishments of the project. All grants are reimbursable, and claims may be submitted anytime before the grant closes.

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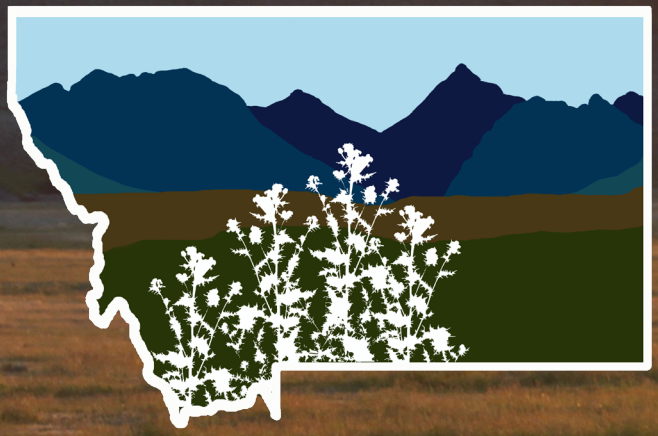

HELP KEEP MONTANA MAJESTIC

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FIGHT WEEDS

PRESERVE MONTANA LANDS

Grants up to $75,000 are awarded annually for innovative noxious weed research projects, educational projects, and local cooperative cost-share projects.

Research **Education** **Cooperatives**

The Noxious Weed Trust Fund grant program provides funding for counties, private landowners, local communities, researchers, and educators to solve noxious weed problems in Montana.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Creative projects that investigate new noxious weed management techniques. Research may include chemical, non-chemical, biological, and IPM control.

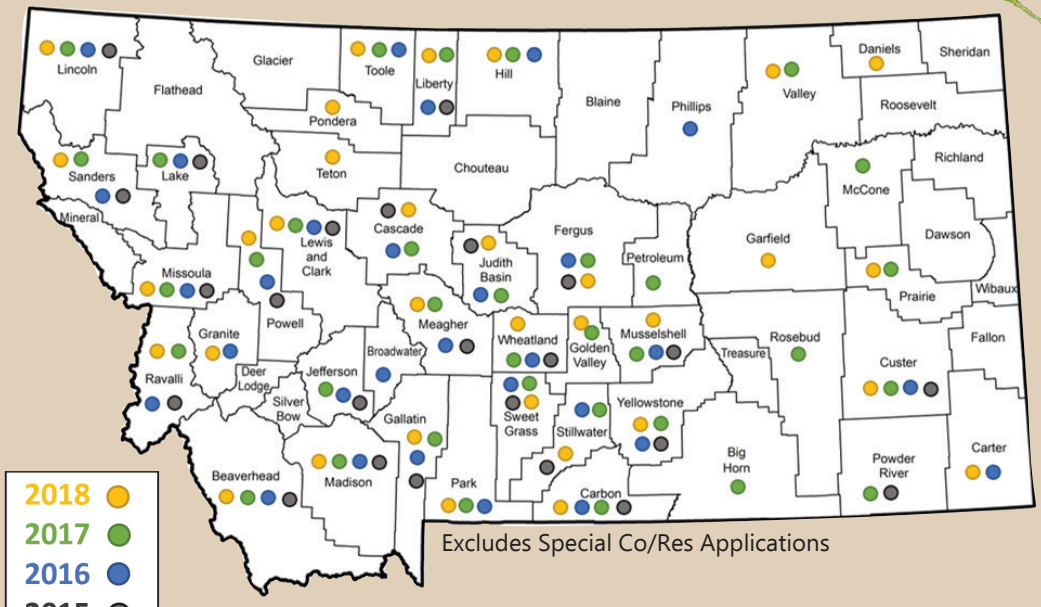
EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Projects that pormote public awareness about noxious weed impacts and may include mapping, monitoring, planning, and public education.

LOCAL COOPERATIVE PROJECTS

Landowner driven projects that involve on-the-ground control of noxious weeds in cooperative weed management areas. Projects also include IPM strategies such as biological control, grazing, and revegetation.

Applicant Locations



Excludes Special Co/Res Applications

Grant writing workshops and trainings are available! Check the NWTF website for more details.