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**Subject: Yew Listing**

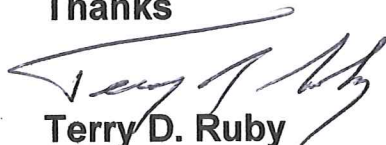
**Lloyd,  
In speaking with my County Commissioners in Gooding, Jerome  
and Lincoln Counties, we have some concerns with the possible  
listing of Japanese and English Yew in the Idaho Noxious Weed  
Law.**

**Any listing of a plant on the Noxious Weed List puts a financial  
burden on Idaho County Governments.**

**If this listing were to go through, we fear that will be the  
beginning of something bigger than the State or County  
Governments are prepared to deal with. What is to stop listing  
of the dozens of other poisonous plants that are commonly sold  
and planted within the State?**

**We feel a concerted educational effort by the ISDA and the  
Greenhouse/Landscaping Industry would be much more cost  
effective than the listing of these plants.**

**Thanks**



**Terry D. Ruby  
Tri County Noxious Weed Control Supt.**

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