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Re: 02.06.22 Noxious Weed Rules

Dear Mr. Oakey,

I regret that I was unable to attend the hearings on the negotiated rulemaking for the Noxious Weed Rules. Please note that I am in support of the changes proposed to the Noxious Weed Rules, specifically to add the *Cytisus*, *Genista*, *Spartium* and *Chamaecytisus* sub taxa to the prohibited list.

My colleagues, particularly in North Idaho, have worked to control these species for many years. This change to the Noxious Weed Rules would support their efforts to protect our agriculture and natural resources from this invasive species.

Respectfully,

David J. Herold
Superintendent