



Benton County Noxious Weed Control Board

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Regular Monthly Meeting Agenda

Tuesday November 20, 2018

7:00 PM

Location: Weed Board Office 1908 Butler Loop Richland, WA

Call to order at 7:00 pm

Next Board Meeting to be held Tuesday December 18, 2018.

Meetings and events attended – WSWA Weed Conference 11-7 / 11-9, Wenatchee

Review the October 16, 2018 Minutes.

Review checks to be approved

Approve checks for November 2018 -- #1425 thru # 1434 =\$3,405.07

Payroll for October 2018 – Direct Deposit = \$20,458.60

Review October financial reports --- (Profit & Loss, Balance Sheet, and Budget Status)

Current Projects Report

Roadside – fall applications are done – 435 acres have sprayed. Konrad and Luis have been able to increase average acre per spray hour to 7.5 acre from 5.5 earlier this spring. I do not plan on additional spraying until weather breaks in the spring. Most of the spring applications are in higher value crops and residential areas.

West Richland --- Paul Keith wetland and pond treatment has brought in \$4,200 this year, we have also been asked to treat a small portion of irrigation canal in W. Richland. There will be time spent this winter to see if the Paul Keith Wetlands can become a restoration project, current methods will not solve the underlying problem.

US Fish & Wildlife – plan to work with US Fish this winter as time and weather allow, there are still funds available until 12/31/2018. Rush Skeletonweed treatment in the fall generally give the best results. The weed board has been trying to coordinate with US Fish, our timing has not been the best this year. The next attempt will be the last week of November.

BPA Contract – surveying and treatments will be done as time and weather condition allow during the winter months. 2018 billing has been sent \$1,300. The weed board has a request from BPA to investigate treating 10 miles of road right of way in the Hanford area.