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Regional District of Kootenay Boundary –Weed Spray Equipment Loan-out Program Information – 2025

The RDKB is offering a weed spray equipment loan out program for residents in the Boundary to control invasive plants on their own private land. Manuals on the operation of the equipment and information on safe herbicide application are provided with each loan-out. The RDKB does not supply herbicides, it is up to the landowner to supply their own. (See page 2 for information on where to purchase herbicides)

Equipment available:

- 1. **3-point hitch tractor mount sprayer** with a 212 litre (55 gallon) tank, 4.2m (14 ft) folding booms, and 10.5 m (35 ft) hose and handgun. This sprayer must be attached to a tractor PTO to operate and is most suitable for treating large or medium sized areas on relatively even terrain. One full tank can treat approximately 1 hectare (2.5 acres) at a water volume of 200 litres per hectare. (Does not include tractor)
- 2. Sprayer to mount on an ATV- with a 60 litre (15 gallon) tank and 10.5 m (25 ft) hose with a handgun. The unit will attach to an ATV battery to operate the pump. This unit is most suitable for small patches to be treated in areas that can be accessed by ATV. Or easily accessible locations where relatively small patches are to be treated. One full tank can treat 0.3 hectares (0.7 acres) at a water volume of 200 litres per hectare. Landowner must supply their own ATV.
- 3. **Backpacks** with 15 litre capacity. Most suitable for spot treatment of small sites or treatment of sites where other equipment cannot access.
- 4. **Seeder** that can mount onto an ATV rack is available for loan out. This is suitable for seeding new roads or logged areas on private property.

List of Contacts for borrowing the equipment:

Rick

Phone: **250-442-5798** herbdout@gmail.com Grand Forks

Note: For requests from the West Boundary - arrangements can be made to transport the equipment to you so you will not have to travel to Grand Forks to pick it up. Contact Boundary Invasive Species staff at 250-449-5175 to make an arrangement for delivery.



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If you have questions on the loan-out program, you can contact:

The Boundary Invasive Species Society Operations Coordinator at 250-449-5175 or The RDKB General Manager of Environmental Services at 1-800-355-7352.

Locations to purchase Herbicides:

Small quantities of domestic herbicides can be purchased at local garden supply retailers. Contact local retailers for information on what is available.

For larger quantities or to purchase agricultural or commercial products contact:

Purity Feed – must have either farm status (on tax assessment) with 5 acres OR Pesticide Applicator Certificate (PAC).

- Kelowna at 250-372-2233
- Merritt at 250-378-4432

TerraLink – must set up an account AND must have either farm status (on tax assessment) OR Pesticide Applicator Certificate (PAC).

- Penticton at **877-893-3292**
- Kelowna at 778-622-4069

Okanagan Fertilizer – requirements to purchase depend on chemical of interest. Some products are required to be purchased for use on agricultural land only. Some products would require Pesticide Applicator Certificate (PAC). Other products can be purchased in large quantities without farm status or PAC.

- Oliver at **250-490-5253**
- Enderby at 250-838-6414

If you are unsure which herbicide to use, ask when you arrange the loan out or ask the retail store for recommendations on which herbicides are effective on the invasive plant you are trying to control.

If you are interested in obtaining your Pesticide Applicator Certificate which gives you access to larger quantities and varieties of herbicide, please contact the Boundary Invasive Species Society at 250-449-5175 to express your interest.