

Invasive Plant Control Program Information for 2025
RDKB Electoral Areas D&E

The RDKB is offering a Cost Share program within Electoral Area D and E to control specific invasive plants on private land, listed on page two of this package. The RDKB also operates a New Invader program (page three) for priority species as identified on the species list. Please review these lists to determine which program your request will fall under. These programs are not deliverable within Grand Forks, Greenwood, and/or Midway municipal limits.

For requests for the 50% cost share program the landowner must:

Step 1. Submit a signed Request Form (page 4) to the RDKB estimating area to be treated.

Step 2. Contact a certified approved contractor to complete the work.

Step 3. Arrange for the certified contractor to complete the work and then submit a copy of the paid invoice to the RDKB for reimbursement.

Requests will be approved until the budget available for the program is used up.

The maximum area eligible for treatment under each program is 5 acres per parcel.

Participants of the Cost Share program will pay the entire cost for treatment before submitting their claim for 50% reimbursement up to a maximum of \$500 for the RDKB portion. Participants in the New Invaders program will have 100% of their expenses covered up front.

In general, requests will be considered in the order that they have been received. Any requests received after the maximum budget for the program is reached will be deferred until the following year. The program does not do in-crop or pre-plant treatment for landowners.

Approved Contractors for 2025

Electoral Areas C and D:	Electoral Area E:
Kootenay Weed Control Castlegar, BC Allan Freeborn P: 250-365-7778	Southern Frontier Forestry Services Rock Creek, BC Ted Rexin P: 250-449-1961

Note: Other contractors may also do the work if they possess the appropriate certification, service license, and insurance. If you have questions, please contact Darrin (BISS) at 250-449-5175, or Janine at 1-800-355-7352.

Invasive plant species eligible for RDKB Electoral Area D & E Invasive Plant Programs:

Table 1: Cost Share Program - 50% coverage of the cost for treatment by an approved contractor on up to 5 acres (2 ha) for the following invasive plants:

Current Strategy	Common Name	Latin Name
Control and Contain	Hoary alyssum	<i>Berteroa incana</i>
Strategic Control	Absinth wormwood	<i>Artemisia absinthium</i>
	Kochia	<i>Kochia scoparia</i>
	Nodding thistle (Area E*)	<i>Carduus nutans</i>
	Orange hawkweed	<i>Hieracium aurantiacum</i>
	Russian thistle	<i>Salsola kali</i>
	Scentless chamomile	<i>Matricaria perforata</i>
	Spotted Knapweed	<i>Centaurea stoebe</i>
	Sulfur cinquefoil	<i>Potentilla recta</i>
	Yellow flowered non-native hawkweeds	<i>Hieracium spp</i>

*Nodding thistle is 100% coverage of cost if parcel adjacent to USA border or in Area D only

Table 2: New Invaders Program: 100% coverage of cost for herbicide treatment (or mechanical treatment) by an approved contractor on up to 5 acres (2 ha) per parcel:

Current Strategy	Common Name	Latin Name
Eradicate or Annual Control	Common teasel	<i>Dipsacus fullonum</i>
	Cutleaf blackberry	<i>Rubus laciniatus</i>
	Field scabious	<i>Knautia arvensis</i>
	Knotweeds (Giant, Japanese, Bohemian)	<i>Fallopia</i> species
	Himalayan blackberry	<i>Rubus armeniacus</i>
	North Africa grass	<i>Ventenata dubia</i>
	Plumeless Thistle	<i>Carduus acanthoides</i>
	Puncturevine	<i>Tribulus terrestris</i>
	Rush skeletonweed	<i>Chondrilla juncea</i>
	Russian Knapweed	<i>Acroptilon repens</i>
	Scotch broom	<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>
	Scotch thistle	<i>Onopordum acanthium</i>
	Teasel	<i>Dipsacus fullonum</i>
	Tree-of-heaven	<i>Ailanthus altissima</i>
	Yellow Flag iris*	<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>
Control and Contain	Baby's breath	<i>Gypsophila paniculata</i>
	Blueweed	<i>Echium vulgare</i>
	Common bugloss	<i>Anchusa officinalis</i>
	Common tansy	<i>Tanacetum vulgare</i>
	Cypress spurge	<i>Euphorbia cyparissias</i>
	Hoary cress	<i>Cardaria draba</i>
	Leafy spurge	<i>Euphorbia esula</i>
Strategic Control	Nodding thistle (if parcel adjacent to USA border or in Area D only)	<i>Carduus nutans</i>

*Yellow Flag iris control requires mechanical control (digging). The area which will be treated under the program is dependent on staff availability, area of infestation, and number of parcels needing treatment across the program area.

Note 1: Additional high-priority species may be added to this list during the season

Note 2: More than 5 acres may be treated on a single parcel with recommendation of the Boundary Invasive Species Society for species in Eradicate or Annual Control category.

Note 3: Landowners can do 5 acres under the New Invaders Program and then 50% Cost Share on the next 5 acres on the same parcel for species listed in this table under the Control and Contain Category.

Note 4: Mechanical control (hand-pulling, digging) may be chosen on a situation-by-situation basis as an alternative to herbicide treatment at the recommendation of the Boundary Invasive Species Society.



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**REQUEST FORM - Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Invasive Plant Treatment
50% Cost Share Program- Electoral Areas D&E**

Submitted by: _____

Mailing Address (Box # and Street address): _____

Phone # (____) _____ - _____.

Legal Description of Lot where treatment will occur: _____

Target Invasive Plant(s) _____

Estimated size of area to be treatment _____ Hectares¹ OR _____ Acres²

Description of Area to be treated (pasture, unused area, grassland, roadside, patchy, continuous distribution over entire area, etc.)

By signing below, I certify that I am legally authorized to allow invasive plant treatment on the property described herein:

Signature

Return signed form (scan or picture) by email to:

Boundary Invasive Species Society: **operations@boundaryinvasives.com**

OR

Janine Dougall, General Manager of Environmental Services: **gm.env.services@rdkb.com**

If you are unable to digitally send forms, then you can mail a copy to:

Regional District of Kootenay Boundary, 202-843 Rossland Ave, Trail BC, VIR 4S8

¹ A hectare is 10,000 square meters (100m x 100m) - 1.0 hectare =2.47 acres

² An acre is 43,560 square feet (209 ft x 209 ft)