

Hawkweed spraying program

Agricultural Services



Orange, Meadow and Mouse-Ear Hawkweed are listed as a **prohibited noxious weeds** under the *Weed Control Act of Alberta*. The act specifies that these weeds must be destroyed, which is defined as follows: i) to kill all growing parts, or ii) to render reproductive mechanisms non-viable.

To assist Leduc County property owners with the elimination of hawkweed, Leduc County provides a service to spray infestations of up to five acres with an effective herbicide at a nominal charge of \$50 per acre with a minimum charge of \$50. The charge is a subsidized amount calculated to recover most of the cost of the applied herbicide product only (actual value of spraying service is approximately \$175/acre without including usual travel to site fee).

Property owners must sign a release to permit Leduc County to perform spraying of a selective herbicide. Effective herbicides for the control of hawkweed are low toxicity and can persist in the soil for up to three years.

To register for the hawkweed spraying program, please complete the following release and send to: Leduc County Agricultural Services, 101, 1101 - 5 St., Nisku, AB T9E 2X3 or fax to 780-979-0032. You may also print and scan the form and then email to ag@leduc-county.com.

For more information, please call 780-955-4593 or 1-800-379-9052.

RELEASE

I hereby permit Leduc County to perform spraying of herbicide for selective vegetation control of hawkweed. This permission shall include the rights for Leduc County to enter my property for the purpose of performing such related work.

I understand that the herbicide application may restrict the growth of certain plants and crops, including alfalfa, potatoes, canola, lentils, beans, trees and others for several years. Grasses and grains are not affected.

I agree to pay for the service of the herbicide application at a rate of \$50 per acre with a minimum charge of \$50 within 30 days of receipt of the invoice. The calculation of the area sprayed will be based upon the spray operator's record of the amount of herbicide applied to the hawkweed infestation.

The hawkweed infestation to be sprayed is located:

QUARTER	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	MERIDIAN

Please enclose a diagram of area(s) to be sprayed.

I hereby agree to save harmless and indemnify Leduc County, its employees and agents, from and against all actions, suits, claims and demands arising in any manner whatsoever from the treatment and control measures applied.

print name: _____ date: _____

signature of owner/lessee: _____ mailing address: _____

phone number: _____ mailing address: _____