

Weed Department Report
Weed Board Meeting
March 6th, 2025

- Grant submittal for the UDAF grants will begin in mid-March this year. There will be multiple training sessions on both the new grant submittal software and geospatial database program being used for the 2025 grant program. I will be looking for a slight increase from last years grants as I plan to expand the scope of both the San Juan River and Spray Days grants.
- This year I intend to have up to 3 herbicide giveaway events. I am considering one in May, July and September. We have had increasing numbers of people taking advantage of this program and by having 3 events I believe we can reach even more persons with weed problems thus improving and beautifying San Juan County Properties.
- A session at the recent Utah Weed Control Association (UWCA) I attended a session that talked of using cattle grazing as an effective means of phragmites control. We do have a significant phragmites issue along the San Juan River and I intend to research if it is possible to address this using grazing.
- There was a presentation at the UWCA by Logan based member of the USU Extension office. The basic idea of the presentation is that all counties in the state have a USU Extension office and this office can provide resources in support of noxious weed control and weed control education. I intend to start working more closely with our local extension on weed education resources and ideas to improve our weed program.
- San Juan County at one point added Buffalo Bur to our county weed list. I am unaware of any significant infestations of Buffalo bur in San Juan County. I will do further research and try to find out why the weed was added and if it is time to remove this weed form the list. With the approval of the weed board.