

Lake Tahoe Basin Weed Coordinating Group Meeting Notes Thursday, January 15, 2009 10:00 a.m.

Attending: Wendy West, UCCE; LeeAnne Mila, EDC Ag Dept.; Cecilia Reed, USFS; Nicole Cartwright, Tahoe RCD; Dan Deegan, TRCD; Dave Roberts, TRCD; Jason Brand, NTCD; Larry Hughes, Douglas County Weed District and private contractor; John Warpeha, Washoe Tribe Environmental Department; Nancy Lozano, CA State Parks.

2008 Detection Maps – LeeAnne distributed maps with 2008 GIS data and asked all partners to review and check for accuracy. Call (530) 621-5520 or email Leeanne.mila@co.el-dorado.ca.us LeeAnne with changes or questions

Identifying “pressures” from species outside the Basin - The group reviewed and discussed the general location of known invasive plants species in areas near the Lake Tahoe Basin. LeeAnne will produce a map with species noted. The maps will be review and update the map annually. This map will be useful: 1) to share as a training tool in our early detection program and 2) include in grant proposals for early detection and rapid response projects. Action: Wendy will present alerts “weeds to watch for” at the next meeting, including a handout to be used in detection trainings/workshops.

Project: define a risk assessment for species (make it very simple!) to rate the possible risks of a species infesting the Basin, based on proximity and size of infestations, mechanisms for spread (e.g. gravel, along travel corridor, etc.).

2008 Stats and Reports – Sue has completed analysis of stats for 2008; Wendy will complete annual report ASAP.

Partner Funding for 2009 Projects – reviewed and discussed bond stop work order. Wendy will send out updated chart. Cecilia indicated that the LTBWCG should consider applying for SNPLMA funding via LTBMU for outreach and control of invasives in a geographic area.

New Website – most content is up including identification pieces. Finishing mapper component with kickoff expected in late winter/early spring.

CA State Parks Dip and Clip Trials 2008 - Nancy presented trial results, which demonstrated excellent control of Yellow toadflax.

Meeting Dates: March 19, June 4, September 24, and December 3, 2009

The Lake Tahoe Basin Weed Coordinating Group is dedicated to preventing and controlling invasive weed species in the Basin by sharing resources and information and standardizing methods of treatment and data collection.