2022 Invasive Plant Program Work Plan Priorities and Results

Priorities	Results
Planning	
Update the list of PRRD owned/occupied properties and cross-reference the properties for historical invasive plant infestation using the Report Invasives data.	An updated list was created for the Area Controller contract. This included the new Area B water stations. GIS continues to update the property list as new information becomes available. 62 sites were surveyed, 55 sites were treated.
Create a schedule of treatment months to ensure proper timing of treatment.	Treatments occurred from June-September 2022 by MGP Contracting.
Inventory current outreach materials and update/purchase as required.	Update of the Invasive Plant Book is underway. Printing and delivery expected to be complete by end of 2022 for dispersion in 2023. (Current Plant list is available on the PRRD website for download).
Amend all accompanying legislation and ancillary documentation to be consistent with the current strategic plan direction.	Amended Invasive Plant Control Bylaw. Bylaw No. 2482, 2022 adopted on March 31, 2022.
Inventory and Surveys	
Site visits required for 1/3 of PRRD owned/occupied lands.	Contractor visited all PRRD sites as per the contractual obligations. 55 sites were treated and all parks and SW and wastewater sites were monitored for efficacy.
Treatment	
Treat all invasive species surveyed/inventoried on PRRD owned/occupied lands using the designated three pass system.	All PRRD sites were visited and infested sites were treated an average 1-4 times as necessary.
Treatment Monitoring	
This is the 3rd year of the Area Controllers contract, 30% of the PRRD sites will be monitored for treatment in 2022.	Sites were visually inspected for treatment efficacy during site inspections throughout the season.

Data Entry	
100% of inventory, survey, or treatment documentation will be entered into IAPP within 3 working days of completing the data collection.	100% of the data entry was completed within 3 working days by the area controller.
Education and Awareness	
Continue to support the Peace River Forage Association's quarterly seminars.	Provided inserts for the PRFA spring and summer newsletters.
Continue to utilize "Weedy Wednesday" Facebook posts to promote events, highlight invasive plant species, and offer information about integrated pest management techniques.	Weedy Wednesday posts were very successful this season. There were 36 posts, 27 likes and 57 shares with 2 posts having comments.
Educational materials will be updated to reflect the 2022 changes in the PRRD Invasive Plant Prioritization lists.	Ongoing.
New educational materials will be purchased as they come available and if they are applicable within the PRRD.	No new educational materials were purchased.
PRRD staff will continue to attend professional development activities as per their work plans.	For 2022, these activities were conducted remotely through zoom calls and webinars.
PRRD staff will continue to develop new and useful materials to deliver to PRRD residents.	No new materials were created this year.
Coordination and Partnership Building	
Hold one SPPIP and a minimum of two IPCPRRD meetings.	An IPCPRRD budget meeting was held in January of 2022 and a planning meeting is scheduled for December 2022. SPPIPCPRRD meeting held December 6, 2022.
Continue to support the ISCBC programs.	"Plantwise," "Don't let it loose," "Clean Drain Dry," "PlayCleanGo" are all communicated through the PRRD.

Participate in provincial coordination meetings and interprovincial meetings as requested and applicable.	Requested to participate in the Provincial Invasive Strategic Plan Steering Committee. Daris Gillis will participate in the committee.
Continue to partner with industry to promote Best Management practices by offering plant identification resources, offering free commercial dumping at the three local landfills, and partnering in outreach events.	Free dumping was offered at the three landfills this season (North Peace, Bessborough, and Chetwynd) for both residential and commercial users. Bessborough received 5,590 kg (840 residential, 4,750 commercial), Chetwynd received 370 kg (280 residential, 90 commercial), and North Peace received 5,870 kg (4010 residential, 1860 commercial) and four manned transfer sites Dawson Creek 420 kg (Residential 290, Commercial 130) Cecil Lake 10 bags, Rolla 26 bags, Rose Prairie 1 bag.
Continue to promote and support the local Rancher contracts offered by the Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations to enable local crown grazing occupants to treat high priority and other regionally listed invasive plant species.	No support requested for 2022.
Continue to work with local governments and municipalities increase residents awareness of invasive plant species through joint inspections and sharing of outreach materials.	Discussed invasive plant management techniques with City of Dawson Creek staff.
Provincial EDRR Support	
When requested, invasive plant program staff will support the efforts of the Provincial EDRR staff in verifying reported infestations and coordinating any further actions required.	Delivered a weed notice for a reported occurrence of Mountain Bluet.

"Report-A-Weed" Verification	
Staff will continue to promote the "Report-A-Weed" app through communications within the PRRD.	The "Report-A-Weed" app is listed within the Strategic plan and profile of the Invasive Plant program, within our deck of cards, and within the destroy daisy commercial. Applicable materials will be updated in 2022 with the "Report Invasives BC" app. Procedures were followed according to the
All invasive plant reports received within the office of the PRRD will receive follow-up within 5 working days of receipt. Any follow-up required will follow the policies and procedures outlined in the C&E manual.	C&E manual and documentation of communications was made. 42 actionable weed reports were received via phone call, email, and sent in weed report forms. Two provincial reports were received and actioned. Invasive plant occurrences outside PRRD jurisdiction or bylaw parameters were forwarded to the Ministry for action.
Reporting and Data Management	
When requested, invasive plant program staff will provide updates to the PRRD Board on operational activities conducted by the program.	As per requests.
Write a 2022 annual report	Deadline is January 31, 2023.
The Strategic Plan and Profile will be maintained to reflect current operations and will be approved by the IPCPRRD committee.	Suggestions for improvements and updates will be presented at the December 2022 meeting.
All operational plans will be posted on the PRRD website for shareholders to utilize.	Completed April 2022.
Compliance and Enforcement	
Regional Board appointed Bylaw Officers of the PRRD will follow all policies and procedures outlined by the PRRD Invasive Plants Bylaw, and the C&E policies and procedures manual.	Daris Gillis, Kari Bondaroff, Mike Pangman and bylaw officers were appointed by the Board as weed inspectors for the 2022 season. All PRRD employees were removed from the Ministry's approved weed officers list as the PRRD is no longer enforcing the Weed Control Act.
Special Projects	
Continue to promote the Destroy Daisy Campaign to increase public awareness	The campaign was not run in 2022.

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of invasive daisies such as scentless	
chamomile and oxeye daisy.	
Free invasive plant dumping for all users (residential and commercial) will continue at the three local landfills (Bessborough, Chetwynd, and North Peace) and expand to include manned transfer stations with a compactor bin.	This 2022 year, 12,250 kg of invasive plants were received at the local landfills and transfer stations, 6,830 kg from commercial/industrial sources and 5,420 kg from residents. A decrease of 4,320 kg from 2021.
Hire two seasonal staff for the field season from May 1 – November 30, 2022 cost shared with Parks.	Two seasonal staff were hired to support the Invasive Plant Program. They handed out materials and visited weed complaint sites to verify complaint details.