

# WARSAW TOWNSHIP

## *Infestation of noxious weeds on property*

The Minnesota Noxious Weed law requires occupants, owners or their agents to control or eradicate noxious weeds growing on their property. This requirement is set forth in Minnesota Statute, Chapter 18, Section 18.78, Sub. 1, which reads as follows:

“Except as provided in Section 18.85, a person owning land or a person occupying land or a person responsible for the maintenance of public land shall control or eradicate all noxious weeds on the land at a time and manner ordered by the commissioner, a county agricultural inspector, or a local weed inspector.”

If you should receive notification immediate steps are necessary to control the noxious weed growth on your property, please use one of the following control methods:

1) Cut down the noxious weed plants or pull them out of the ground; or 2) Plow down, disc or otherwise till the land to control the noxious weeds; or 3) Use a herbicide that is labeled for the noxious weed listed, in compliance with label directions.

Township Supervisors will re-inspect your property within 30 days of notification. If by that time you have not complied with the requirements of the noxious weed law, an Individual Notice to Control or Eradicate Noxious Weeds may be issued by the Goodhue County Agricultural Inspector. If you fail to comply, someone may be hired to do the control or eradication work and the cost will be assessed to your taxes.

This legal procedure is set forth in Minnesota Statute, Chapter 18, Section 18.83, Sub. 4, 5, and 6. This information serves as a notice of your responsibility to control noxious weeds growing on your property. Your cooperation in resolving this problem is appreciated. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please feel free to contact a Warsaw township supervisor.