

Sir/Madame,

After review of your noxious weed containment plan, I have found that it meets all North Dakota and McKenzie County Weed Law requirements.

PLEASE PRINT AND ATTACH THIS EMAIL TO YOUR C.U.P. TO SHOW YOU HAVE COMPLIED WITH STATE AND COUNTY WEED LAW FOR ERADICATION AND CONTAINMENT OF McKenzie COUNTY NOXIOUS WEEDS.

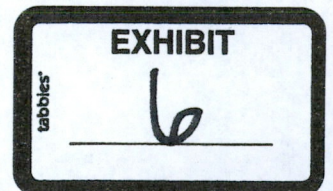
Also, remember that your property will be periodically and randomly inspected for compliance with your proposed form of weed control – so please be diligent in your efforts to help us with this problem.

Thank you for helping in our continuing efforts to keep McKenzie County noxious weed free.

Sincerely,

*Amber Higgins*

McKenzie County Weed Officer  
Office 701-842-4131  
Fax 701-842-4731



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**Exhibit 6 - McKenzie County weed management plan**

Bridger Pipeline LLC

**McKenzie County  
Weed Management Plan**

**Purpose:** It is designed to assist in controlling noxious weeds by documenting areas at risk whether it be currently infested or could possibly become infected in the future. This weed management template is also to assist in coordinating efforts between McKenzie County Weed Control and landowners/operators/developers to accomplish noxious weed control goals in McKenzie County. A copy of this weed management plan will be kept on file with McKenzie County Weed Control as well as with all parties involved in the ownership and/or management of the property.

**Date:** 7/23/2020      **Circle One:** PRIVATE      **COMMERCIAL**

**Name of Landowner:** See Attachment 1

**Name of Party Responsible for Weed Control if Different than Landowner:**

Bridger Pipeline LLC

**Address of Responsible Party:**

PO Drawer 2360, Casper, WY, 82602

**Phone Number:** (307) 266-0411

**E-Mail:** Bob.Dundas@Truecos.com

**Approximate Size of Property:** 29 miles in length 300-ft corridor width, 26.6 miles is already installed and only 2.4 miles of new construction.

**Legal Description of Property:** Origin - Sec19 T150N R95W, End - Sec36 T149N R99W

**Purpose of Property:** Crude Oil Pipeline

**Surface Movement for Commercial Construction Purposes:**

Scoria Manure    Dirt    Sand    Gravel    **Construction**    Other \_\_\_\_\_

**1.0 Management Goals:** Management goals describe the purpose/use of the property and what you are trying to achieve. Having clear management goals is key to developing a

weed management plan. (The minimum amount required by North Dakota and McKenzie County Weed Law is to mow noxious weeds to prevent them from going to seed. Another management goal may be to restore an area with native vegetation. Management goals might also include preventing contamination and/or spread of noxious weeds due to mining or storage of construction materials by a yearly or bi-yearly application of herbicide.)

**Please list your management goals as they apply to this property:**

Noxious weed control measures will be implemented in accordance with existing regulations. Treatment methods will be based on species-specific and area-specific conditions (e.g., proximity to water and/or agricultural area) and time of year. Most noxious weeds identified within the site will be managed by herbicide application. Mechanical methods of weed control including mowing, disc-ing, and hand pulling of small, localized and/or isolated infestations of noxious weeds. Mechanical methods may be selected in lieu of herbicide treatment for select populations. Bridger will continue to detect and mitigate weeds as general O&M practices.

**2.0 Weed Control Objectives:**

Knowing which weed species occur on your property and where they are located is very important in developing control priorities. Weed species vary considerably in the threat that they pose to the resource values of the property. In addition, weed species vary greatly in their susceptibility to control measures. Thus, weed species that pose the greatest threat to achieving the management goals for the property and which can be most easily controlled are the highest priority for management. To create weed control objectives for your weed management plan, first search your property for weeds (if you have not already done so).

Each parcel along the route will be assessed and managed on a case by case basis as the type of weeds encountered will vary. During construction and post construction phases Bridger will inspect and monitor any weeds encountered and implement preventative measures to mitigate the spread of noxious weeds.

NOXIOUS WEEDS IN MCKENZIE COUNTY	
1. Absinth Wormwood	2. Canada Thistle
3. Dalmation Toadflax	4. Diffuse Knapweed
5. Halogeton	6. Leafy Spurge
7. Musk Thistle	8. Purple Loosestrife
9. Russian Knapweed	10. Saltcedar
11. Burdock	12. Black Henbane
13. Yellow Toadflax	14. Houndstongue
15. Spotted Knapweed	16. Baby's Breath
17. Palmer Amaranth	

### **3.0 Weed Control Objectives—3-year plan.**

#### **1st Year Weed Control Objective:**

Install, inspect, and maintain CMRP best management practices (BMPs), including re-establishing vegetative cover on disturbed areas that will not be impacted by future site operations, using weed-free native grass mixtures, erosion control blankets, and other means as required in areas disturbed by maintenance activities.

During maintenance activities, Bridger or the assigned contractor will clean the tracks, tires, and blades of equipment by hand (track shovel) or compressed air to remove excess soil prior to movement of equipment out of weed or soil-borne pest infested areas or utilize cleaning stations to remove vegetative materials using water under high pressure.

Bridger or the assigned contractor shall use mulch and straw or hay bales that are Certified Weed Free in the State of North Dakota for temporary erosion and sediment control.

Bridger or the assigned contractor shall implement weed treatments such as mowing prior to seed development or herbicide application to areas of noxious weed infestation prior to soil disturbing work for maintenance.

Bridger or the assigned contractor will implement mitigation or protection measures for conducting vegetation control where necessary. Typical agricultural herbicides, developed in consultation with county or state regulatory agencies, will be used. Herbicide types will be determined based on the weed species requiring control. Bridger or the assigned contractor shall apply herbicides, where required, within one week of the weed cluster identification, or as deemed necessary for optimum mortality success, prior to disturbing the area by clearing, grading, trenching, or other soil disturbing work. Herbicides shall be applied by applicators appropriately certified. All herbicides applied shall be non-residual or shall have a significant residual effect no longer than 30 days. Bridger will implement mitigation or protection measures in the use of pesticides and herbicides along the pipeline corridor to reduce potential impacts to avian and wildlife species.

Bridger or the assigned contractor shall not use herbicides in or within 100 feet of a wetland or waterbody.

#### **2nd Year Weed Control Objective:**

Bridger or the assigned contractor will perform regular inspection to assess site conditions and develop corrective actions as necessary to address deficiencies. The whole site will be inspected to ensure early detection of noxious weeds that may transfer to the site from nearby lands and equipment.

#### **3rd Year Weed Control Objective:**

Periodically inspect the property to ensure successful site re-vegetation and to monitor for potential incursions of noxious weeds. Bridger shall provide weed control if necessary,

to limit the potential for the spread of weeds onto adjacent lands. Any weed control spraying performed by Bridger or the assigned contractor shall be done by a state-licensed pesticide applicator.

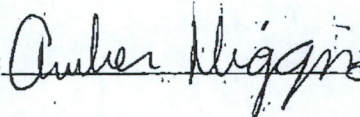
**4.0 Evaluating Weed Control:** After you have created weed control objectives and have begun to control the priority weed species on your property, you should evaluate the results of your control methods. This requires follow-up visits to the areas where weeds were controlled and a re-assessment of the size and density of an infestation. (For example, compare the size of the infestation after a growing season has elapsed to the size before control actions were initiated.) In most cases, the elimination of an infestation will take several years with multiple treatments per year to kill the plants and eliminate the bank of weed seeds in the soil.

ND Law 4.1-47-02. Control of noxious weeds.

**Each Person shall do all things necessary and proper to control the spread of noxious weeds.**

In signing this document, I understand that I will be responsible for noxious weed control on the property listed above.

Responsible Party  Date 10-2-20

McKenzie County  
Weed Board Chairperson:  Date 10-12-2020

Please allow 48 hours for review of this plan prior to receiving confirmation of approval.