



M.D. OF RANCHLAND No. 66

BYLAW 2026 ♦ 03

WEED BYLAW



A BYLAW OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF RANCHLAND No. 66 IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO DESIGNATE PLANTS WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF RANCHLAND No. 66 AS PROHIBITED NOXIOUS OR NOXIOUS WEEDS.

PURSUANT to the Weed Control Act, S.A. 2008, c.W-5.1 and as stated in Section 9 of the Weed Control Regulation, A.R. 19/2010, the Council of the Municipal District of Ranchland No. 66 in the Province of Alberta enacts as follows:

1. That attached hereto and forming party of this Bylaw is Schedule "A," which contains a list of weed species which within the municipality shall be designated as noxious.

RESCINDING CLAUSE

2. Upon 3rd reading of BYLAW No. 2026-03, BYLAW No. 2019-03 is hereby rescinded.

Read a **first** time on this **16th** day of **June**, 2026.

Read a **second** time on this **16th** day of **June**, 2026.

Reeve

C.A.O.

APPROVED on this 17th day of June, 2026.

Kriste deMilliane
Minister of Agriculture & Irrigation



Read a **third** time and passed on this 7th day of July, 2026.

Reeve

C.A.O.



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SCHEDULE "A"



NOXIOUS:

- Absinthe Wormwood (*Artemisia absinthium* L.)
- Bull Thistle (*Cirsium vulgare* (Savi) Ten.)
- Caraway (*Carum carvi* L.)
- Caragana (*Caragana arborescens* Lamarck)
- Creeping Bellflower (*Campanula rapunculoides* L.)
- Corn Brome (*Bromus squarrosus* L.)
- Scotch Broom (*Cytisus scoparius* (L.) Link)

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June 19, 2026

Rick Niwa
Agricultural Fieldman
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Dear Mr. Niwa

Re: Weed Control Act – Municipal Designation Bylaw

Thank you for your June 16, 2026, letter requesting the Minister's approval, under section 9 of the Weed Control Regulation, of the Municipality's designation of absinthe wormwood, bull thistle, caraway, caragana, creeping bellflower, corn brome and scotch broom as noxious weeds under M.D. of Ranchland No. 66 Weed Bylaw, 2026 - 03.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation under Ministerial Order 011/2025, I hereby approve the designation. Please find enclosed the two copies of Bylaw No. 2026 - 03 with my signature.

I appreciate the municipality's proactive approach to reduce the spread of highly invasive plants and support the noxious weed designations outlined in Bylaw No. 2026 - 03 within your jurisdiction. Thank you for your continued service to the people and agricultural lands in the M.D. of Ranchland No. 66.

Sincerely,



Krista deMilliano, P.Ag.
Chief Provincial Plant Health Officer, Agriculture and Irrigation

Enclosure



ALBERTA
AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION

*Office of the Minister
MLA, Highwood*

**Government of Alberta
Agriculture and Irrigation**

*Agricultural Pests Act (s. 4(1)(a))
Government Organization Act (s. 9)
Interpretation Act (s. 21)*

**Ministerial Order
(MO 011/2025)**

**Delegation of Authority under *Agricultural Pests Act*, *Weed Control Act*, and
Weed Control Regulation to the Chief Provincial Plant Health Officer**

I, Jason Hale, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation, pursuant to section 4(1)(a) of the *Agricultural Pests Act*, section 9 of the *Government Organization Act*, and section 21 of the *Interpretation Act*, delegate the powers, duties and functions conferred on the Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation under the following Acts or regulations to the employee in the Department holding the position of Chief Provincial Plant Health Officer:

1. *Agricultural Pests Act* (section 9(1));
2. *Weed Control Act* (section 8(1));
3. Weed Control Regulation (section 9).

This delegation of authority is subject to the following interpretation, limitations and restrictions:

- a. For clarity, references in this Order to any Act, regulation, section numbers, titles, or positions include changes due to renumbering or renaming, provided the provisions referenced are substantially of the same effect and the title or position retains substantially the same duties and responsibilities with respect to an applicable Act or regulation.
- b. For clarity, references in this Order to positions or to titles, include cases where a position is reclassified, re-organized, or re-named, so long as the position or title retains substantially the same duties and responsibilities with respect to an applicable Act or regulation.

- c. Any delegation under this Order shall, in respect of a person holding or acting in an enumerated position, apply to the individual as soon as they assume that position or begin acting in that position, and shall expire as soon as a person no longer holds or acts in that position, subject to the provision below.
- d. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the Minister or Deputy Minister may revoke any delegation made under this Order, in writing, at any time.
- e. Nothing in this Order affects the authority of the Minister or the Deputy Minister to exercise any power, duty, or function under any enactment.

Dated this 28 day of July, 2025.



Jason Hale
Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation