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- ◆ Landowners are responsible for controlling noxious weeds on their property, per **RCW 17.10**.
- ◆ **“Noxious weeds”** are **non-native plants** introduced into this area through human action. Because of their aggressive growth and lack of natural enemies, these species can be highly destructive, competitive, or difficult to control by cultural or chemical practices.
- ◆ Noxious weeds can reduce crop yields, destroy native plant and animal habitat, damage recreational opportunities, clog waterways, decrease property value, poison humans and livestock, and create fire hazards.
- ◆ **“Control”** means to prevent all seed production in noxious weeds, and to prevent the dispersal of plant structures which propagate and spread noxious weeds.
- ◆ A landowner may control noxious weeds by **chemical** (spraying herbicides); **biological** (releasing insects); **mechanical** (tillage, pulling and mowing); and **cultural means** (planting desirable vegetation, fertilization, overseeding, and using goats or livestock).
- If a landowner fails to control noxious weeds, the county may take steps to control the weeds and then charge the landowner for the cost, plus a \$500 penalty. If that is not paid, the county will place a lien on the property.
- There are **31** noxious weeds found in Lincoln County.
- In the state of Washington, the presence of noxious weeds on residential property is considered a property defect and must be disclosed. The parties may want to negotiate the cost of controlling noxious weeds.

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