

Listening Comprehension Questions: Idaho County Noxious Weeds

Video: <http://www.lifeontherange.org/range-stories/idaho-county-weeds.htm>

Vocabulary: eradicate, infestation, crucial, grapple, daunting

1. What is the largest county in Idaho?
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3. What is the first line of defense against noxious weeds?
4. How do they control Dalmatian toadflax?
5. How do they hope to manage Yellow starthistle?
6. Why is Rush skeleton weed so hard to control?
7. Explain wind modeling.
8. According to Crabtree, describe an "intact grassland".

Vocabulary: After watching the film, in your own words describe the following words in reference to the movie and its subject. Then write a short sentence using this word.

9. **Eradicate:**

10. **Infestation:**

11. **Crucial:**

12. **Grapple:**

13. **Daunting:**

KEY

Eradicate: get rid of completely, eliminate
They eradicated the new noxious weeds

Infestation: take over negatively, invade
There was an infestation of Yellow starthistle.

Crucial: very important, critical
It is crucial to kill all the new plants so they don't spread.

Grapple: struggles
The county grapples with noxious weeds.

Daunting: overwhelming
Killing off noxious weeds, is a daunting task.

1. What is the largest county in Idaho?
Idaho County
2. What are the top two noxious weeds found in Idaho County?
Rush skeletonweed and Yellow starthistle
3. What is the first line of defense against noxious weeds?
To kill new weeds before they settle in and expand.
4. How do they control Dalmatian toadflax?
By a stem-mining weevil which lays its eggs inside the stem and when they hatch they damage the plant.
5. How do they hope to manage Yellow starthistle?
With a different weevil, that eats the roots of Yellow starthistle.
6. Why is Rush skeleton weed so hard to control?
It blows in the wind and is hard to contain.
7. Explain wind modeling.
It takes into consideration the landscape and the direction of wind to predict where the plant's seeds will fly.
8. According to Crabtree, describe an "intact grassland".
It is a grassland that consists of a number of perennial bunchgrasses, forbs, and is quite resistant to weed invasions.