

**BACKGROUND FOR APPOINTMENT TO
LEWIS COUNTY NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD**

1. The Lewis County Noxious Weed Control Board consists of five voting members, each of whom are appointed by the county legislative authority (the Board of County Commissioners).
2. The county legislative authority divides the County into five sections, known as weed districts, of the same approximate population size and appoints a voting member from each section.
3. At least three of the voting members shall be engaged in the primary production of agricultural products, meaning they are involved in the direct production of food, feed, fiber, and other plant and animal products using the resources of the land, including air, water, and soil.
4. There shall be one non-voting, ex-officio, member on the county's Noxious Weed Control Board. This person shall be the WSU County Extension Director or an Extension Agent appointed by the same.
5. Each voting member is appointed to serve a term of four years.
6. Notice of board member openings will be published at least twice, and at least ten days, before nominations.
7. Applicants for Noxious Weed Control Board positions must reside in the district from which they are seeking appointment.
8. A person interested in appointment to the weed board shall make a written application that includes the signatures of at least ten registered voters, each of whom must reside in the same weed district.
9. After nominations are closed, a hearing is conducted by the Noxious Weed Control Board. The nominations are then forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners, with the recommendations of the Weed Board. The names of nominees are also posted on the county website and in the courthouse.
10. Within sixty days (hopefully sooner) following the receipt of the list of nominees, the Board of County Commissioners appoints one of the nominees from each weed district.
11. Meetings are held as determined by the Weed Board, but must be held at least quarterly, usually in February, May, August, and November.
12. Noxious Weed Control Board positions are non-paid, volunteer positions. Mileage to and from the meetings, and other "actual and necessary expenses," may be reimbursed.
13. Applications for appointment to the Lewis County Noxious Weed Control Board must be submitted to the Lewis County Noxious Weed Control Board Office, mailing address: 351 NW North St, Chehalis, WA 98532, and physical address: 19 SW Cascade Ave., Chehalis, WA 98532.

REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE DISTRICT IN SUPPORT OF THIS APPLICATION
(must be printed and signed by hand)

NAME

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Attach additional signatures and addresses if desired, but a minimum of ten (10) signatures are required.

SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO:

Lewis County Noxious Weed Control Board
(mailing) 351 NW North Street *(physical)* 19 SW Cascade Avenue
Chehalis, WA 98532-1900

Questions concerning the district you reside in should be directed to the Lewis County Noxious Weed Control Board Office at **(360) 740-1215** or **weeds@lewiscountywa.gov**.