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RE: Community Weed Pull Event

Thank you for your interest in the Northwest Invasive Plant Council's (NWIPC) Community Weed Pull Program. The goal of the program is to promote public awareness of invasive weeds and to control invasive plants on sensitive sites. To accomplish this goal the NWIPC asks community groups to hand pull weeds on sensitive infestation sites. The community group is then able to qualify for a \$250 honorarium in appreciation of their good work. Some of the target weed species include:

- Himalayan balsam
- Marsh plume thistle
- Spotted knapweed
- Common tansy
- Field scabious
- Leafy spurge
- Scotch broom

A weed pull event is designed to be approximately three hours long consisting of a 20 minute weed identification talk, weed pulling alternated with snack and water breaks, followed by the presentation of the honorarium cheque. To qualify for the honorarium a community group will need to have a minimum of 10 adult volunteers participating in the pulling event. The NWIPC will provide gloves, garbage bags and a light snack to the volunteers. The community group will be responsible for their own first aid kit. Each weed pull site is selected with the safety of volunteers in mind however this cannot insure against all accidents.

To participate in a weed pull event, please complete the attached Registration Form and return it to a NWIPC program coordinator (contact information is listed below).

Thank you for your interest;

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REGISTRATION FORM:



To be completed by Local Community Group

Group Information

Name of Group:	
Contact Name:	
Email address:	
Telephone:	Alternative Tel:
Preferred site location:	
Dates available:	

Estimated # of volunteers:	<input type="checkbox"/> 10	<input type="checkbox"/> 20	<input type="checkbox"/> 30	Other:
How did your group hear about the program?	<input type="checkbox"/> TV	<input type="checkbox"/> radio	<input type="checkbox"/> paper	<input type="checkbox"/> other
Does your group hold liability insurance (minimum \$2 million)?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes		<input type="checkbox"/> no	

Honorarium

The honorarium is \$250 per year. Groups must have at least 10 participants to receive the honorarium.

Honorarium cheque to:
Mailing address:

Group Coordinator Responsibilities

Liability insurance must be in place prior to event (\$2 million)
 Minimum 10 volunteers
 Weed disposal

Good shoes; no sandals
 Garbage bags
 Long pants, long shirts
 Gloves

First Aid Kit
 Refreshments
 Pickup Truck (if possible)

We commit to meeting the group requirements for a Community Weed Pull, as listed above:

Signature:

**A successful community pull event requires at least one adult for every five children.*

Return completed form to the Northwest Invasive Plant Council to:
info@nwipc.org, or fax: (250) 563-9679.

