

# NOXIOUS WEEDS: 2020

## SPOKANE COUNTY NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD

It is no surprise that this year looked different for our team at the Noxious Weed Board. We made do with 4 of the typical 7 field inspectors and office staff found themselves in the field too, responding to complaints and covering territory that lacked assigned field staff. And yet, staff still managed to report over 10,500 (2019's final tally was over 10,700) individual sightings of noxious weeds in Spokane County.

### TOP THREE FINDS\*



**SPOTTED KNAPWEED: 3,024**



**COMMON BUGLOSS: 1,862**



**RUSH SKELETONWEED: 1,551**

*\*At least something stayed the same in 2020! Top three are the same species and in the same order as 2019.*

### HIGH PRIORITY: CLASS A WEEDS

#### GARLIC MUSTARD

Known populations are dispersed in and near the cities of Spokane and Spokane Valley, and along the Spokane River. Cutting is not effective for eradication.

**264 REPORTS**



#### WILD FOUR O'CLOCK

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**43 REPORTS**



### TOP 10 SPECIES REPORTED

SPECIES	CLASS	REPORTS
Spotted Knapweed	B	3,024
Common Bugloss	B	1,862
Rush Skeletonweed	B	1,551
Dalmatian Toadflax	B	854
Canada Thistle	C	825
Hoary Alyssum	B-D <sup>1</sup>	565
<b>Garlic Mustard</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>264</b>
Common Mullein	WC <sup>2</sup>	217
Scotch Thistle	B	212
Leafy Spurge	B	163

B-D<sup>1</sup>: B Designate

WC<sup>2</sup>: Weed of Concern

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