# WEED MANAGEMENT AND REVEGETATION PLAN For

# West End Homes

# 1. Introduction

West End Homes Subdivision is in Missoula County, Montana. West End Homes Subdivision is a 260 Lot subdivision with four proposed open spaces - one of which is an 26.72 acre proposed park. The subdivision is approximately seventy-one acres in size. The management of the lotted lands within the subdivision is the responsibility of each respective owner. Until the lots are sold to owners the management of the lots will remain under the developer, Evergreen Housing Solutions, LLC. This Weed Management and Vegetation Management Plan will be added as Exhibit A to the Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions for the West End Homes Subdivision.

# 2. Current Condition and Organization of the Site

The property is currently undeveloped so this weed plan pertains to both the future buidable home sites and to the common areas. The common areas will be covered with a mix of Red Fescue and Perennial Rye Grass and irrigated

## 3. Management Plan Goals

It is important to emphasize that the rehabilitation of any disturbed land is a long-term process, without quick fixes or simple prescriptions. The Missoula County Weed District is a great resource for any questions regarding revegetation or weeds.

A combination of herbicide treatments is recommended for the noxious weeds. Spot applications of Milestone at 6oz/acre and Tordon at .5 - 1 pints/acre will be used for Musk and Canada Thistle. A full list of control options is listed below in Section 5.

### 4. Revegetation Goals

The establishment of healthy, use/type appropriate vegetation that will minimize weed invasion is the ultimate goal for any revegetation project. Revegetation should be done using Red Fescue and Perennial Rye Grass. Revegetation goals for this property include the following:

- Re-establish vegetation in disturbed areas as soon as possible to minimize erosion, decrease competition from weeds and improve survival of the seed mix planted.
- Restore healthy plant communities.

### **5. Control Actions**

There are several actions that can be used in an integrated approach to weed management, and each must be considered on an area-by-area basis dependent on the species to be managed, the soil/water characteristics of the site and intended use of the area. Implementation of any of these activities should be coordinated with the Missoula County Weed District.

# Musk Thistle, Carduus Nutans

*Herbicide:* The use of herbicides on Musk Thistle should focus on individuals that are in the rosette or bolting stages. The following herbicides are recommended for control of Musk Thistle. Always consult product labels and read them carefully to ensure correct species/land management usage and chemical application.

Herbicides for Musk Thisle, Carduus Nutaris				
Herbicide	Rate (per acre)	Application Timing	Comments	
Tordon	.5 to 1 pint	Spring at rosette growth stage; or in fall	Use higher rates for older dense stands	
Milestone	6 oz	Spring at rosette growth stage; or in fall	Use higher rates for older dense stands; may be used to edge ponds or streams	

## Herbicides for Musk Thistle, Carduus Nutans

## Canada Thistle, Cirsium arvense

*Herbicide:* The following herbicides are recommended for control of Canada Thistle. Always consult product labels and read them carefully to ensure correct species/land management usage and chemical application.

Herbicide	Rate (per acre)	Application Timing	Comments	
Milestone	6 oz	Spring at rosette growth stage; or in fall	Use higher rates for older dense stands; may be used to edge ponds or streams	

## Herbicides for Canada Thistle, *Cirsium arvense*

### 6. Appropriate Revegetation with Desired Species

The establishment of healthy, use/type appropriate vegetation is the most effective way to minimize weed invasion in the long term. Revegetation will be done by using Red Fescue and Perennial Rye Grass applied at 10 pounds per 1000 square feet.

### 7. Response Monitoring and Re-evaluation

Management plans should be reviewed as needed by the property owner/developer, the Vegetation Management Committee, and the Missoula County Weed District.

### This plan has been approved by the Missoula County Weed District.

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