

## **Agricultural Inspector**

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During the summer of 2017 the Hubbard County Agricultural Inspectors office sprayed 145 miles of road. This is spot and full spray and could be several passes to cover the right of way(r/w). This was done in 18 days of spraying.

The Agricultural Inspector also cooperated with the state of MN Department of Agriculture in arranging spraying on private land for Brown Knapweed. We are the third county in the state to report this knapweed. It is along County road 100 north of Guthrie. All the locations of Brown Knapweed on public r/w were sprayed, County and Township roads. Landowners with this weed were also contacted.

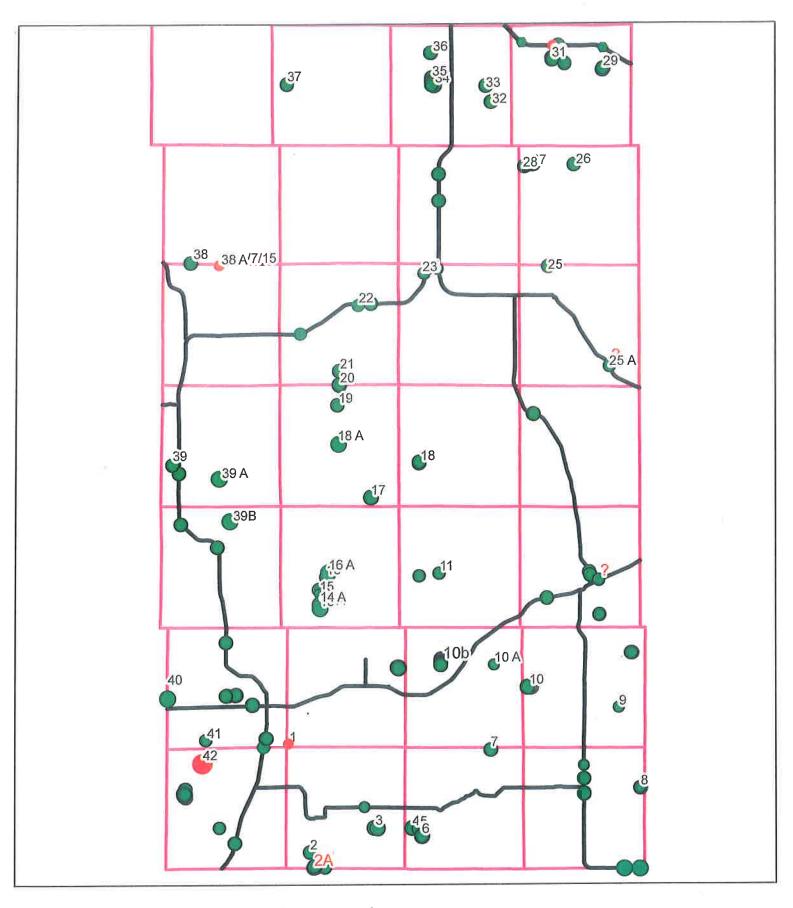
I'm applying for a state grant that would cover the cost of spraying this area in 2018. I hope to include all landowners with known infestations as cooperators on the grant. This grant will cover all cost of spraying and education and monitoring the area for 2018. We are controlling several weeds in this area.

More spraying needed to be done but due to personnel quitting in the Parks Department I could not devote the time to spraying that was needed. I would like a person to drive the spray truck on a regular basis and not take away from parks personnel working in the parks. When they are not spraying with me they could be helping the parks personnel in the parks.

If having any questions on the report for 2017 weed spraying please contact me.

Sincerely,

Greg Hensel Hubbard County Agricultural Inspector





Leafy Spurge sites





## Wild Parsnip 8-8-17

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