

## MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Agreement is between Pend Oreille County Weed Board and Public Utility District No. 1 of Pend Oreille County (PUD). This agreement will become effective upon execution by both parties and shall remain in effect through December 31, 2020.

The PUD has established a fund for the Aquatic Plant Management Plan (APMP) for treatment of milfoil and other designated nuisance aquatic plants at public boat ramps and swimming beaches. It is recognized that funds may be available from the APMP to establish a separate fund for nuisance and noxious aquatic plant control projects on private lands.

The Pend Oreille County Weed Board provides a Neighborhood Cooperative Cost-Share Program for aquatic weed control to private landowners. By utilizing the County's existing Neighborhood Cooperative Cost-Share Program, this memorandum will provide an efficient and economical method of dispersing available funds, and benefit both County residents (project applicants) and grant managers by having a single application process to access both funding sources.

Under this Memorandum of Agreement both parties agree to the following:

- The PUD will established a fund for nuisance and noxious aquatic plant control projects on private lands within the Box Canyon Reservoir Project Boundary, in accordance with its Aquatic Plant Management Plan of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) license for the Box Canyon Hydroelectric Project.
- The Pend Oreille County Weed Board will make these funds available through its Neighborhood Cooperative Cost-Share Program. In addition to funding requirements of the Neighborhood Cooperative Cost-Share Program, recipients of PUD funds will also meet the following requirements:
  - Projects must be located within the Box Canyon Reservoir Project Boundary of the Pend Oreille River.
  - Projects cannot include any purchase or application of aquatic herbicide.
- The program will provide up to \$500 per individual applicant to any eligible Neighborhood Cooperative Cost-Share Program grant participant meeting the conditions above.
- A sum of \$1,000 will be available to each group of two or more landowners meeting the requirements.
- To encourage management through non-herbicide methods, no match is required to access one hundred percent of these funds for each project once the applicant has met the above requirements and those of the County's existing program.
- These funds can be utilized prior to accessing County Neighborhood Cooperative Cost-Share Program funds and Acceptance of these funds does not limit an applicant's eligibility for any remaining Neighborhood Cooperative Cost-Share Program funds under the same application.
- The PUD will support this grant program at an annual amount up to \$5,000 for grant cycle, depending on availability of Aquatic Plant Management funds at the end of the previous treatment season.
- The county will provide the PUD with an annual report no later than November 15 of the current year grant cycle which will include the following information:
  - Total number of qualified applications received and a total number of applications funded.

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- o A list of each successful applicants name and project location, treatment type and funding amount requested and/or allocated.

PEND OREILLE COUNTY COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Stephen Kiss                      6/22/15  
Signature                              Date

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Stephen Kiss                      Commissioner chair  
Name and Title

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF  
PEND OREILLE COUNTY

ATTEST:

John Jordan                      6/16/2015  
Signature                              Date

Karen Wilner

John Jordan, General Manager  
Name and Title