

# Federal Interagency Committee for the Management of Noxious and Exotic Weeds

## Committee Overview



### Who We Are

FICMNEW is a formal partnership established in 1994 and currently includes 18 federal agencies with direct invasive species management, regulatory, and research responsibilities across the United States and territories.

*FICMNEW's Purpose: To coordinate the development and sharing of scientific and technical information through collaborative efforts among the federal partnership to inform regional and national management of noxious and exotic weeds.*



### What is a Weed?

There is no Universal federal definition, the following apply:

- ◆ **Noxious weed:** any plant or plant product that can directly or indirectly injure or cause damage to crops (including nursery stock or plant products), livestock, poultry, or other interests of agriculture, irrigation, navigation, the natural resources of the United States, the public health, or the environment (Plant Protection Act).
- ◆ **Invasive species:** with regard to a particular ecosystem, a non-native organism whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm, or harm to human, animal, or plant health (Executive Order 13751).
- ◆ **Non-native species or alien species:** with regard to a particular ecosystem, an organism (including its seeds, eggs, spores, or other biological material capable of propagating that species) that occurs outside of its natural range (E.O. 13751)

### How to Get Involved

To get involved, contribute a presentation for a public meeting, or to learn more about FICMNEW contact co-chairs:



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### Agencies Involved

#### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

- ◆ Armed Forces Management Board
- ◆ Army Corps of Engineers

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

- ◆ Office of Environment, Health, Safety, and Security

#### DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

- ◆ Bureau of Indian Affairs
- ◆ Bureau of Land Management
- ◆ Bureau of Reclamation
- ◆ National Park Service
- ◆ US Fish and Wildlife Service
- ◆ US Geological Survey

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- ◆ Federal Highway Administration

#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

#### US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

- ◆ Agricultural Marketing Service
- ◆ Agricultural Research Service
- ◆ Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
- ◆ Farm Service Agency
- ◆ Forest Service
- ◆ National Institute of Food and Agriculture
- ◆ Natural Resources Conservation Service