

Noxious Weed Profile

Wild caraway (*Carum carvi*)

Wild caraway is a biennial plant, producing a low growing rosette of leaves in its first year of growth, and then a flowering stalk (bolt) in the second year – it can even bolt and flower a third year (Information courtesy of Alberta Invasive Plants Council)



Where is it found ?

- Pastures, rangeland and natural areas

Identifying Characteristics

- Stems are erect, branched, and grow 60 to 90 cm tall. There can be several stems per plant.
- Leaves are alternate and very finely divided (carrot-like). The leaves of first-year rosettes can be very similar to yarrow, a native plant.
- Flowers are white, but occasionally pinkish, and occur in groups at the top of stems (compound umbels).

Reason for Concern

- It is not utilized by livestock and can quickly displace nearly all other vegetation where infestations go uncontrolled.

Control Mechanisms

- Hand-pulling of bolting stalks is effective at preventing seed production,
- Collected seed should be disposed of in landfill-bound garbage or thoroughly burned. This plant's response to repeated mowing is to stay short (mowing height) and bloom.

Stamp out wild caraway and tall buttercup

Take advantage of Mountain View County's 20 per cent incentive on approved herbicides

Mountain View County is offering a Spray incentive of 20 per cent off the cost of approved herbicides to combat the noxious species of tall buttercup and wild caraway. This incentive program is applicable to private land holders, private lessees of public lands, and lessees of County owned property.

• How do Eligible Land Owners and Land Users Access the Incentive?

Contact Mountain View County Agricultural staff, and make them aware of what lands are intended to have weed control applied. Upon completion of the herbicide application, forward appropriate receipts for the approved herbicides to Mountain View County Agricultural staff. Receipts should include: the number of units of herbicide purchased; a legal land location of where the herbicide has been applied; the date of when applications occurred; and a map of where application occurred. Upon completion of field inspection, agricultural staff may authorize payment of 20 per cent of the value of the appropriate herbicide, pending achievement of satisfactory results on the targeted weed species.

For more information on noxious weed control, and the 20 per cent spray incentive, please call Mountain View County Agricultural Services at 403-335-3311, or visit www.mountainviewcounty.com.

If you're going to be driving the Carstairs Blind Line Road...

Please note that starting June 8, major re-chipping along Township Road 303, the Carstairs Blind Line Road, from Highway 22 to the Town of Carstairs municipal boundary will be underway.

Traffic disruptions and delays can be expected while road construction is occurring. We ask motorists to please drive with caution through all construction zones, and to obey the posted speed limits while workers are present. Mountain View County thanks you for your patience during this busy summer construction season.

Effective immediately, gravel permits are no longer available at Mountain View County gravel pits.

Gravel permits are now available at the Mountain View County Office, located at the intersection of Highway 2A and the Bergen Road.

For more information on gravel permits, please contact Melissa Daines at 403-335-3311 ext. 191.



It pays to keep your waste plastic until Spring, 2009

Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission is **always** accepting net wrap, tarps, twine and silage plastic at the Olds Transfer Station. **Mountain View County residents who wait until Spring, 2009 to deliver a minimum of 100 kgs of waste plastic for recycling will receive \$100 to keep, or donate to a 4H Club of their choice.**

Dates eligible for Incentive for Farm Plastic: ⇒ April 20–June 20 (M-Tu-W each week)
⇒ Specials Saturdays: May 2, May 23, June 20
(Limit of one payment per farm. Mountain View County residents only)

If you're planning to recycle waste plastics, please remember:

- Upon delivery, twine and net wrap must be bagged in either plastic mini bulk bags; or large plastic bags- no straw or loose hay- and tied off.
- MVRWMC has the right to charge for any plastics that we deem unacceptable. The charges are \$130.00/ tonne at the transfer site; or \$90.00/ tonne at the landfill.
- Black tarps, silage tarps, and poly need to be in 3'x3' bundles-tied and secured-able to handle.
- Silage plastic and tarps must be clean (no large frozen lumps or clumps of silage).

Please note– Please call the Waste Transfer Station at 403-556-8120 before coming to pick clear plastic bags, to ensure there are some available.

For more information, call Amber Hines at 403-335-3311

Assessment inspections will be taking place on all properties in the following area(s):



Range 4.0
(Twps. 29-4-5, 30-4-5, 31-4-5, 32-4-5, 33-4-5, 34-4-5)



We'll pay you to recycle wire!



Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission, in conjunction with Mountain View County, will be collecting barbed and strand wire to be recycled:

When- From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays

Where- Didsbury Landfill (two miles north of Didsbury, off of Range Road 20 and Twp. Rd. 314)

Be sure to come early- Mountain View County's Agricultural Service Board farmers will pay the recycling costs on the first 50 tonnes of wire delivered by Mountain View County residents.

If you plan to take part, please note:

- Barbed and strand wire must be rolled as tightly as possible.
- Wire must be free of debris (dirt, sod, posts, etc.)
- Once the first 50 tonnes of wire has been delivered, the cost of disposal is 10 cents per kilogram

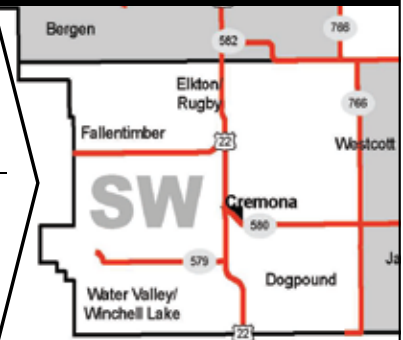
For more information, contact Amber Hines 403-335-3311

Road Watch ----- June, 2009

Southwest MVC

Water Valley/ Winchell Lake
Fallentimber (Incl. Big Prairie and Graham)
Dogpound
Elkton/ Rugby
Westcott (West of S.H. 766)

- RR 45 Patching and Re-chipping
- Road Maintenance-Grading, Digouts
- Ditching
- Sign Maintenance
- Culvert Repairs
- Patching
- Calcium Applications



Watch for road ban signs throughout Mountain View County