



YAMPA RIVER LEAFY SPURGE PROJECT

“... working together to establish an effective program of integrated management for leafy spurge...”

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1. Continued to work on the CWCB Grant in coordination with University of WY Plant Science Department (Group and UWY Grad Students, Hannah, Chloe)
2. Mapped the Yampa River leafy spurge infestations from Duffy Mt. to Cross Mt. (Pete, Ben) Note: Missed 5 miles in Axial Basin just above Juniper boat ramp.
3. Three additional legacy biocontrol sites were visited and monitored in 2020 (BLM Tepee #47, Camilletti #38 and Mack #39). This brings the total number of monitored legacy sites to 24 (of 42 sites identified from historical records). All legacy sites near the Yampa River corridor have now been revisited and monitored. Remaining legacy sites are low priority due to location and/or difficulty in contacting landowners or gaining access permission. (Tamara, Group)
4. Obtained 23,000 leafy spurge beetles and released beetles to new sites including 10,000 (Earle), 1,000 (BLM/Fortification Cr), 2,000 (MacIntyre), and 10,000 (Tyler/CPW/YRSWA) (Group)
5. Held stakeholder meeting with Western Moffat County landowners and the Maybell Ditch owners. (Tamara, Kendall, John)
6. Followed-up with 2019 stakeholder and mapping partners. (John)
7. Continued the updating of the YRLSP website (Pete)
8. Monitored for results of the third chemical treatment sites of Tepee Draw 15+/- acs and West of Hayden 115+/- acs (Jesse, Chris, Tiffany, Ben, Baili)
9. Continued Dinosaur National Monument leafy spurge mechanical removal and research on potential biocontrol releases (Emily)
10. Continued outreach presentations (Group)

11. Reported to supporting organizations: YWGRT (Tamara), FOTY Board (Ben), MC and RC Boards of County Commissioners (Ray, Tim coordinate, Group), CDA (Ben), CO First Conservation Dist. (Ben), the YRSLP (John) and IWMP (Tamara)

12. Coordinated with YWGRT Stream Management Planning to include leafy spurge (Tamara)

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