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### Hearing for Proposed Permanent Quarantine of Federal Noxious Weeds

MANHATTAN, Kansas — A public hearing will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at the Kansas Department of Agriculture, 1320 Research Park Dr. in Manhattan, regarding the issuance of a permanent statewide quarantine of weed species that have been designated noxious by federal regulation. The proposed quarantine would replace KDA's existing Federal Noxious Weed Quarantine, which is expiring, and would prohibit all movement of items regulated pursuant to the quarantine into or within the state of Kansas.

All interested persons may attend the hearing in person or appear by counsel and will have the opportunity to express comments orally, in writing, or both. A copy of the proposed quarantine may be accessed on KDA's website at [www.agriculture.ks.gov/PublicComment](http://www.agriculture.ks.gov/PublicComment). Written comments and requests for information concerning the proposed quarantine can be shared on that website, or sent to Jeff Vogel, KDA plant protection and weed control program manager, at [Jeff.Vogel@ks.gov](mailto:Jeff.Vogel@ks.gov) or 1320 Research Park Dr., Manhattan, KS 66502.

Any individual with a disability may request accommodations in order to participate in the public hearing and may request a copy of the quarantine in an accessible format. Persons who require special accommodations must make their needs known at least five working days prior to the hearing. For more information, including special accommodations or a copy of the regulations, please contact Ronda Hutton at 785-564-6715 or [Ronda.Hutton@ks.gov](mailto:Ronda.Hutton@ks.gov).

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WHAT: Public hearing on proposed permanent quarantine  
WHEN: 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 30, 2021  
WHERE: Kansas Department of Agriculture  
1320 Research Park Dr.  
Manhattan, Kansas