

WAC 16-750-145 State noxious weed control board—Executive secretary—Definition. The executive secretary acts as the chief administrative officer for the board, duties of whom are fixed by the board which include, but are not limited to, as follows:

(1) Implements and administers the statutes, administrative rules, and policies of the noxious weed control program assigned to the board;

(2) Plans, develops, and prepares administrative rules and policies for the state noxious weed control program in conjunction with the board and the department; arranges public hearings in compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act and acts as chief hearing officer for the board; conducts elections for positions on the board;

(3) Coordinates board activities with the department, maintains a liaison and performs coordinating activities with other public and private agencies;

(4) Negotiates agreements, with consultation and approval of the board, with federal agencies, tribes, and other public and private agencies;

(5) Represents the board before the state legislature; coordinates the development, edits, and oversees the production of the biennial report to the county noxious weed boards and weed districts on how state funds were spent and recommendations for the continued best use of state funds for noxious weed control;

(6) Acts as the principal spokesperson of the board to the media, technical audiences, and the public;

(7) Provides technical advice to county noxious weed boards and weed districts on the state noxious weed law and related rules;

(8) Plans and coordinates statewide approaches to selected noxious weeds, assists in the development of statewide noxious weed survey standards, coordinates efforts with department weed specialists;

(9) Coordinates the activities of the board by scheduling all regular and committee meetings; in consultation with the chair, prepares meeting agendas; prepares all board correspondence; updates board on local, state, and federal noxious weed activities; acts as an ex officio, nonvoting member of all committees;

(10) Ensures that the official records of the board are recorded and ensures their distribution; maintains all board records, acts as public records officer;

(11) Oversees fiscal management of the board's administrative budget and cooperates with the department in budget development;

(12) Supervises additional board employees, approves hiring, re-hiring, promotion, and termination of additional board employees and ensures these processes and any disciplinary actions comply with state and department personnel policies; notifies board and department prior to initiating an adverse personnel action against any employee;

(13) Performs other assignments as determined by the board.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 34.05 RCW. WSR 23-23-168, § 16-750-145, filed 11/21/23, effective 1/1/24; WSR 19-24-052, § 16-750-145, filed 11/26/19, effective 1/1/20. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. WSR 99-24-029, § 16-750-145, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; WSR 93-01-004, § 16-750-145, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]