

WSR 25-02-089
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
NOXIOUS WEED
CONTROL BOARD

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chapter 16-750 WAC.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject:
RCW 17.10.010, 17.10.070, 17.10.080, and 17.10.350.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They
Might Accomplish: The Washington state noxious weed control board
(WSNWCB) is charged with updating the state noxious weed list on an
annual basis to ensure it accurately reflects the noxious weed control
priorities and noxious weed distribution as well as updating its by-
laws that are codified in chapter 16-750 WAC. WSNWCB may also consider
other updates to chapter 16-750 WAC.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and
the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: No other state
agency regulates this subject. Federal agencies are subject to federal
noxious weed laws that require them to coordinate with state regula-
tions. Federal agencies in Washington are invited to participate in
all stages of noxious weed rule making.

Process for Developing New Rule: WSNWCB will meet at least twice
to discuss proposed changes to chapter 16-750 WAC prior to making any
recommendations. Any proposed changes recommended by WSNWCB will be
published and widely distributed to newspapers and electronically per
the WSNWCB website and email lists. A public hearing is scheduled, and
a press release and information regarding the proposed changes are
widely distributed to newspapers.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the
new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by
contacting Mary Fee, 1111 Washington Street S.E., phone 360-902-2053,
fax 360-902-2094, TTY 800-833-6388, email mfee@agr.wa.gov, website
www.nwcb.wa.gov.

Additional comments: This is a continuation of the 2025 noxious
weed list update process for the proposed class C addition *Ilex aqui-
folium*.

December 30, 2024
Mary Fee
Executive Secretary