



## **MEDIA RELEASE – For Immediate Release June 24, 2010**

### **Join the First Annual ‘Pull a Weed Day’**

In 2008 Yellowhead County’s Agricultural Services department and Alberta Sustainable Resource Development initiated a multi-stakeholder group to discuss weed collaboration within Yellowhead County. Anyone in Yellowhead County who has an interest in weed or invasive plant management is encouraged to participate in the Yellowhead Invasive Plant Initiative.

Yellowhead Invasive Plant Initiative 2010 programs are all set to take place in July. On July 9<sup>th</sup> we will kick off the program with “Pull a Weed Day,” we are inviting any interested community members to participate from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. in weed pulling activities throughout Brule area. Lunch will be hotdogs, pop and ice cream at noon at the Brule Community Hall. Representatives from Yellowhead County Agriculture Services and Alberta Sustainable Resource Development will be available for any questions you may have about the Yellowhead Invasive Plant Initiative 2010 program, weed control options, ASB Rental Equipment and new invasive species to watch out for.

All equipment will be providing including safety vests, weed pulling bags, and signage. Our efforts will be assisted by area Mountain Pine Beetle Crews, Junior Forest Rangers and ASB Summer Staff. We are hoping that this event raises weed and invasive plant awareness in one of the most ecologically sensitive areas of the County, and that community members all get involved!

The team will also be in the area from July 12-14<sup>th</sup> controlling Noxious and Restricted weeds West of Hinton. Please feel free to stop the crews to ask any questions you have about the program or invasive plant information and control options.

If you are interested in becoming part of the Yellowhead Invasive Plant Initiatives 2010 summer effort please call Sarah Kehler at 1-800-814-3935 or [skehler@yellowheadcounty.ab.ca](mailto:skehler@yellowheadcounty.ab.ca) or Caroline

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