

Dream Tags Charitable Fund Grant Report Form

Complete this report and

- Send it as an email attachment to tturner@cfwnv.org by the dates specified in your grant agreement letter.
- Include your **original** project budget—along with a column showing expenditures to date—with EVERY report.
- Include your grant number (DT #) in the subject line of EVERY correspondence regarding this grant.

Questions? Contact Tracy Turner, Community Foundation Program Officer, at tturner@cfwnv.org or (775)333-5499

Section A: Grantee Information		
Organization Name: Nevada Department of Wildlife		
Phone: 775-688-1542	Executive Director: Tony Wasley	
Primary Contact for Report: Dr. Lee Turner	Title: Project Manager/Ecologist	
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Section B: Grant Information		
Check one: <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final report		
Project Title (include # and title): DT NDOW #8 Paradise Valley Medusahead Grass Control Project for Habitat Protection and Improvement		
Objectives/purpose of the project as stated in the original proposal: This funding will be used to supplement an ongoing invasive weed control project located in Paradise Valley, NV. Invasive grass is major threat to sage grouse, mule deer and livestock habitat.		
Goals/results expected for the project as stated in the original proposal: The primary goal of this funding request is to continue supporting the Paradise Valley Weed District (PVWD) in their efforts to control and eradicate medusahead grass (<i>Taeniatherum caput-medusae</i>) in the Humboldt County area surrounding the town of Paradise Valley. Medusahead has been labeled as “public enemy #1” by the Nevada Department of Agriculture.		
Grant Amount: 4,338.96	Amount requested for this reimbursement: 4,338.96	Date: Dec 20, 2013
Section C: Signatures		
Name of person completing this report:	Dr. Lee Turner	Date: Dec 20, 2013

DIRECTIONS: Please answer the following questions making sure your numbers correspond with the section and question numbers below. **Please do not exceed TWO pages, single-spaced, 11-12 point font for sections D through G.**

Section D: for QUARTERLY and FINAL reports:

- 1) **Results** The Medusahead weed treatments are ongoing in the Paradise Valley area. This work has been underway for several years and will likely continue into the foreseeable future. The Dream Tag funding was transferred to the Paradise Valley Weed District in 2013. The Dream Tag funding was used to purchase chemicals necessary to treat the Medusahead grass.
- 2) **Lessons learned** Medusahead grass is a growing problem in Nevada. Control is quite difficult but the reality is that this problem needs to be treated aggressively.
- 3) **Course corrections** None so far. The current treatment methods for controlling Medusahead grass seem to be allowing for some control over the spread of the grass.
- 4) **Sustainability** The medusahead grass problem is unlikely to be fully contained in the near term. This includes within Paradise Valley and also across northern Washoe County, Humboldt, Pershing and northwest Elko Counties. The work in Paradise Valley will continue for the foreseeable future and additional funding sources are always being sought.
- 5) **Additional comments** The funding provided by the Dream Tag demonstrates that larger partnerships are the only way Nevada will be able to truly manage the vast resources found on the patchwork of private and public lands.

Section E: Additional Attachments for QUARTERLY and FINAL reports:

- 6) **Press** (Attach any related press clippings.)
- 7) **Budget** (Attach **original** budget highlighting use of funds to date. Note if there are any major variances between proposed budget and actuals.)

Budget Item	DT\$	Other Funding Name	Match	Project Total	Expenditure to Date DT	Expenditure to Date
Trailers, generators, backpack sprayers, OHV	0.00	See note	48,000.00	48,000.00	0.00	0.00
Chemicals and weed treatments (includes in-kind)*	4,338.96	Dream Tag Request	37,000.00	41,500.00	4,338.96	0.00
Humboldt County Services (includes in-kind)	0.00	See note	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00	0.00
NPCD Equipment (weed sprayer, water wagon and OHV)	0.00	See note	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00	0.00
BLM weed spraying	0.00	See note	18,000.00	18,000.00	0.00	0.00
USFS weed spraying	0.00	See note	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00	0.00
NRCS funding for private landowner weed control	0.00	See note	35,000.00	35,000.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	4,338.96		205,000.00	209,500.00	4,338.96	0.00

Section F: Please answer for QUARTERLY reports *only*

- 8) **Time** (Do you anticipate needing more time to make the necessary adjustments outlined above? If so and if we can extend the timeframe for this grant, how will you use this time?)

Section G: Please answer 9 & 10 for FINAL reports *only*:

- 9) **Results Part II** Our goal is to eradicate Medusahead grass from Nevada. We did not achieve that goal however, the work in Paradise Valley is ongoing and the Paradise Valley Weed District is aggressively treating all weed species in their area.
- 10) **Success**— We monitor the areas that are infested with the Medusahead grass prior to and following the chemical treatments. Daryl Riersgard is the person who the PVWD hires to do all the mapping, treating and reporting concerning the Medusahead grass treatments.
- 11) **Tell your story** The Medusahead grass problem in Paradise Valley has impacted numerous private/public land ranching and hay operations. Figure 1 shows one of the many private parcels impacted by the invasive weed. The treatments that the BLM, USFS and PVWD are conducting have an impact on almost every ranching operation in Paradise Valley. This grass has the potential to cost millions of dollars in treatment costs as well as lost revenues. The Dream Tag dollars were spent on private land treatments and leverage the dollars the PVWD has so they can continue operation. Figure 2 shows weed spraying in Paradise Valley. The NDOW supplied the Polaris Ranger and weed sprayer used by the PVWD.



Figure 1. Area of high Medusahead invasion on private land in Paradise Valley.



Figure 2. The NDOW weed treatment equipment the Paradise Valley Weed District is using to combat the Medusahead weed problems.