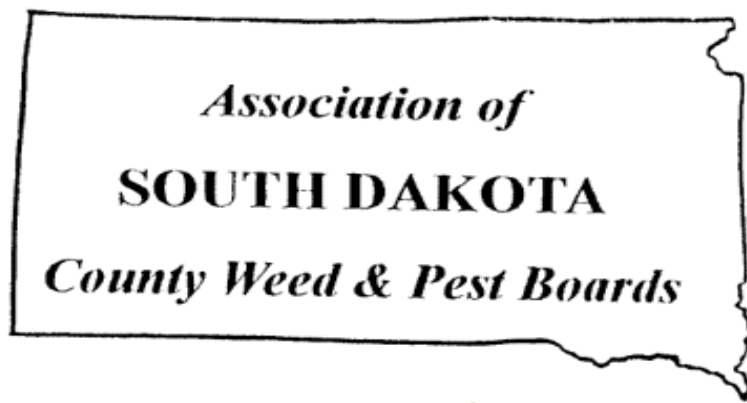




Ron Moehring, President

November, 2025

A Note from your President

Spray season has come to an end, for this year. I hope you all had a safe year. Now is the time to winterize equipment and plan for next season. That planning should include making plans to attend the 2026 conference at THE LODGE in Deadwood. The dates are February 18th through the 20th.

The room block expires on January 3rd, 2026 so make your reservations now.

There are some changes to the schedule: the Commission will meet at the conference, on Wednesday at 8 AM, the only counties required to be at this meeting are those who received a competitive grant last year. Supervisor's meeting will be that same afternoon. There will be no banquet Thursday night.

The conference committee has been working on the agenda, a draft of this will be found in the Weed Watcher.

The scholarship raffle will be a stainless steel Kimber 1911 9mm.

Stay safe and I hope to see you at the conference in February.

Ron Moehring

2026 WEED & PEST CONFERENCE

February 18 -20, 2026

The LODGE at DEADWOOD

100 Pine Crest Lane, Deadwood, SD 57732

877-393-5634

2026 Weed & Pest Conference Registration Form February 18, 19, 20

Please detach and return by February 2, 2026

Make check payable and send to:

Association of SD County Weed & Pest Bds

c/o Gary Pribyl

19987 Homestead Lane

Wolsey, SD 57384-8425 or email form to sdweedfighters@gmail.com and pay at the door

____ # of Registrations Conference @ \$250.00 (Wed, Thurs and Friday) \$ _____
(Includes all breaks, 2 noon meals, & Thursday & Friday breakfast)

Add \$50.00 for each registration after Feb 3, 2025 \$ _____

Association of SD County Weed & Pest Boards dues (\$200) \$ _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Please include the following information for each person included with this form.

Print carefully as name tags will be prepared from this information.

Name _____

Title _____ Email address _____

County/Agency _____ copy as needed

LODGING

The LODGE at Deadwood
Headquarters of the Weed & Pest Conference
Call 605-584-4800 for reservations
100 Pine Crest Lane, Deadwood, SD

OTHER LODGING

Please check the Deadwood website at: Deadwood.com

Noxious Weed Posters

There are still posters available. If you need some contact Gary, Brenda, Jeremiah or Nathan.

Promotion orders

All orders received in the week before the conference can be picked up at the conference.

Calendar of Activities

JANUARY

- ⇒ Complete and submit annual report.
- ⇒ Begin planning the annual and educational meetings.
- ⇒ Stress use of clean seed.
- ⇒ Purchase chemicals and equipment.
- ⇒ Update records, files and maps.
- ⇒ Contact landowner/operators who have noxious weed and declared pest problems.
- ⇒ Attend re-certification training.
- ⇒ Program planning and organizational work.
- ⇒ Submit requests for local noxious weed and declared pest designations.
- ⇒ Review projected grasshopper infestation levels.
- ⇒ Continue treatment of mountain pine beetle infestations

FEBRUARY

- ⇒ Finalize plans and hold educational and annual meetings.
- ⇒ Contact landowner/operators who have noxious weed and declared pest problems.
- ⇒ Stress use of clean seed.
- ⇒ Meet with interested groups.
- ⇒ Meeting of the county weed and pest board, community representatives, and county agricultural agent to develop the county noxious weed and declared pest program for the year.
- ⇒ Organize and hold meetings to structure cooperative programs for noxious weed, declared pest and grasshopper control.
- ⇒ Continue treatment of mountain pine beetle infestations.
- ⇒ Attend State Weed and Pest Conference.

MARCH

- ⇒ Hold the annual meeting by the third Tuesday in March.
- ⇒ Repair equipment.
- ⇒ Plan demonstration and test plots and tours.
- ⇒ Send names of newly elected/appointed weed and pest board members to the State Coordinator.
- ⇒ Meet with interested groups.
- ⇒ Stress use of clean seed.
- ⇒ Organize and hold meetings to structure cooperative programs for noxious weed, declared pest and grasshopper control.
- ⇒ Continue treatment of mountain pine beetle infestations.
- ⇒ Publish notice of intent to inspect in the county's official newspaper(s) prior to April 1.

Silent Auction

We are again planning to hold the silent auction to fund the scholarship program. We are asking for items to put on this sale from everyone and please plan to bid on the offerings. We gave out 5 - \$1000 scholarships last year. The application is on the web site now. Encourage all eligible students to apply.

Outstanding Individuals

The Association will be honoring outstanding supervisors, board members, educators and others. Please submit your nominees to Gary Pribyl at sdweedfighters@gmail.com

Promotion Items Order Form

Assn of SD County W & P Bds
19987 Homestead Ln
Wolsey, SD 57384-8425

Bill to:

Description	Quantity	\$/Unit	
Ice Scrapers		\$ 0.95	\$ -
Conference Registrations		\$ 250.00	\$ -
Sweatshirts - embroidered		\$ 19.25	\$ -
2X & 3X T-shirts		\$ 10.50	\$ -
Stress cubes		\$ 2.00	\$ -
Denim shirt		\$ 23.10	\$ -
2X & 3X Denim shirt		\$ 33.75	\$ -
Stadium bags		\$ 2.10	\$ -
Embroidered caps		\$ 7.50	\$ -
Nebraska Weed Book		\$ 35.00	\$ -
Pencils		\$ 0.12	\$ -
Bic pen - fat, fine point		\$ 1.00	\$ -
lanyards		\$ 1.00	\$ -
Notepads - 3.5"x5"		\$ 0.30	\$ -
Placemats		\$ 0.08	\$ -
Post-It Notes (25 sheets - 3"x4")		\$ 0.31	\$ -
Post-It Notes (25 sheets - 2"x3")		\$ 0.23	\$ -
New Caps		\$ 14.75	\$ -
Plastic tote bags		\$ 0.28	\$ -
Round magnets		\$ 0.21	\$ -
Gloves		\$ 2.00	\$ -
Travel mugs - plastic		\$ 2.55	\$ -
Good Neighbor signs		\$ 19.15	\$ -
Measuring cups		\$ 0.80	\$ -
Magnifying glass		\$ 0.75	\$ -
New T/shirts L, XL, SS		\$ 12.00	\$ -
Flyswatters		\$ 1.10	\$ -
16g Travel drives		\$ 5.00	\$ -
Hoodies L & XL		\$ 25.00	\$ -
Hoodies 2XL		\$ 29.00	\$ -
Zippered Sweat L & xl		\$ 32.00	\$ -
Zippered Sweat 2XL		\$ 37.00	\$ -
New T/shirts, 2 XL, SS		\$ 14.75	\$ -
New t/shirt, 3XL, SS		\$ 15.75	\$ -
New t/shirt, L, XL, LS		\$ 15.75	\$ -
New t/shirt 2XL, LS		\$ 18.00	\$ -
New t/shirt 3XL, LS		\$ 19.00	\$ -
Amount due upon receipt.....			\$ -

**2026
WEED AND PEST
CONFERENCE AGENDA**

The Lodge at Deadwood
100 Pine Crest Drive, Deadwood SD

**February 18, 2026
Wednesday**

7:00-8:30 AM **Registration**
8:30 AM **Weed & Pest Commission Meeting1**
9:00 AM **Weed & Pest Commission Meeting2**

NOON **Lunch**, Pine Crest Ballroom

1:30 PM **Supervisor's Training**
Pine Crest Ballroom

1:35 PM **Program Updates**
County W&P Supervisors

2:15 PM **SDSU Extension**
Eric Jones

2:45 PM **Program Updates**
Mike Stenson – USDA APHIS

3:00 PM **Break**, Pine Crest Ballroom

3:15 PM **W&P Reports**
Jeremiah Phelps – SDDANR

3:30 PM **Program Updates**
Grace Bedford – SDDANR

3:45 PM **SDSU Extension**
Greig Reicks

4:15 PM **W&P Grant Information**
Brenda Sievers – SDDANR

4:30 PM **W&P Supervisor's Meeting**
SD W&P Supervisor's Association

Dinner on your own

5:30 PM **Hospitality Room Open**
Executive Suite
6:00 PM **Assoc. Exec. Board Meeting**

**February 19, 2026
Thursday**

7:00- 8:00 AM **Breakfast**
Registration, Pre-function

Moderator: Nathan Jagim
8:00 AM **Welcome**
8:15 AM **District Meetings**
8:45 AM **Exhibitor Introductions**
9:30 AM **Rangeview / Pasture Monitoring**
Craig Hossfeld – Envu

10:00 AM **Break – Visit Exhibitors**

10:30 AM **Kahoot Trivia & Door Prize**
11:00 AM **District 1 & District 2**
Weed Control Programs
Chris Hemen – Brown County
Jason McCubbin – Minnehaha Co.

11:30 AM **Play, Clean, Go / NAISMA**
Christie Millhouse
NAISMA Executive Director

Noon **Lunch** – Cottonwood Rooms

Moderator: Ron Moehring
1:00 PM **Sanford Underground Research**
Facility – Wendy Straub
1:30 PM **EMT / First Aid**
Dustin Willett – Pennington County
Emergency Management

2:15 PM **Nebraska Weed Control / BioControl**
Scott Erthum – Weed Superintendent
& Nebraska BioControl Research Chair

3:00 PM **Break - Visit Exhibitors**

3:30 PM **Kahoot Trivia & Door Prize**
3:45 PM **District 3 & District 4**
Weed Control Programs
Brad Saltsman – Potter County
Scott Guffey – Pennington County

4:15 PM **Consequences of Distracted & Impaired Driving**
Lt. Isaac Kurtz – SD Hwy. Patrol

Dinner on your own

5:30 PM **Silent Auction Ends**
Hospitality Room Opens
Executive Suite

**February 20, 2026
Friday**

7:00-8:00 AM **Breakfast**
Moderator: Tyler Page

8:00 AM **Annual Association Meeting**
Ron Moehring - President

8:30 AM **Ventanata Control in Montana**
Jane Mangold – Montana State
University

9:15 AM **Managing Weeds in New Grassland Plantings**
Pete Bauman - SDSU

9:45 AM **Break - Last Chance to Visit Exhibitors & Thank Them**

10:15 AM **Kahoot Trivia & Door Prize**
10:30 AM **Forestry Update**
Dr. John Ball – SDSU / SDDANR

Adjourn...on your own from here.