ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
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Regarding Property Located at:

PERMIT OF ENTRY FOR NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL

The City of Portland (the City) has launched a program to educate landowners about the potential impacts of noxious weeds and to implement control efforts. Noxious weeds are plant species that the Oregon Department of Agriculture has deemed a menace to public welfare because they are injurious to public health, agriculture, recreation, wildlife, and in some cases they decrease public or private property values. The responsibility to eradicate noxious weeds rests not only on the private landowner, but also on the local, state, and federal government.

Garlic mustard is an ongoing threat to our native plants, producing large numbers of seed which lead to large, dense patches of only garlic mustard plants. This capacity for seed production not only excludes native plants, but also means new plants can sprout in affected areas for at least five years, possibly longer. Because garlic mustard is known to be in your neighborhood, the City would like to survey your property and treat the garlic mustard found, at no cost to you. Treatment would occur in April or May, weather-depending, and likely require small amounts of herbicide. See the enclosed pamphlet for more information about garlic mustard treatment and identification.

Prior to working on your property, the City must secure your permission to enter. If you agree to allow the City and its contractors to enter upon your property to control garlic mustard, please fill in the blanks below with your name, signature, and today's date.

_____, (Owner) of the real property

located at the tax lot number and/or address noted above, does hereby grant a permit of entry to the City, its employees, agents, contractors and employees and subcontractors of its independent contractors, performing work on the above-described property to survey and treat garlic mustard. This permit shall be effective for five years from the date the Owner signs the Permit of Entry. The City is granted this permit of entry without prejudice to any property rights of the Owner.

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Signature of Property Owner	Phone	Date

Please send this form to:

Environmental Services
Attn: Invasive Species Coordinator
1120 SW 5th Avenue, Room 1000
Portland, OR 97204

For questions about noxious weed control within the City of Portland, please contact Mitch Bixby, Botanic Specialist, at 503-823-2989 or mitch.bixby@portlandoregon.gov .

Go to http://www.portlandonline.com/bes/invasives
for more information about invasive plant management.