



DIXON POLICE DEPARTMENT

March 31, 2026

Weed Abatement Courtesy Notice

Dear Property Owner:

The City of Dixon experiences hot and dry weather, which creates a fire hazard when vegetation dries and becomes extremely flammable. Therefore, weeds over 6" in height are considered a danger and nuisance to public health and safety.

Due to the increasing length of California's fire season, the Code Compliance Division has put in place several property inspection dates to confirm properties are abated properly.

You, the owner, are responsible and required to abate any existing nuisances at the property for which you are the owner of record (see attached parcel number for location on front of the addressed envelope).

If you have already abated the weeds and debris from your property/s, we thank you in advance!

The violation of the Dixon Municipal Code include the following:

- 1. DMC 9.01.020 (A)** - Storing, keeping or maintaining weeds, dry or dead vegetation, papers or paper products, and other combustible and noncombustible refuse or waste.
- 1. DMC 9.01.020 (B)** - Storing, keeping or maintaining: vehicle parts; scrap metal; bottles; cans; wire; firewood; boxes; containers; wood and building materials no longer usable for their intended purpose; tools; machinery; equipment or parts thereof; or abandoned, discarded or unused household furniture or appliances
- 1. DMC 9.01.020 (C)** - Storing, keeping or maintaining: rubbish; refuse; trash; junk; garbage; and other waste or discarded material, including but not limited to, the accumulation of asphalt, concrete, plaster, tile, rocks, bricks, crates, cartons, boxes, dirt, sand or gravel.

According to the Dixon Municipal Code, **9.01.040**, it shall be the duty of the owner, and of responsible party occupying or having control of any parcel of land, improved or unimproved, to maintain such parcel of land free of any nuisance and/or nuisance conditions at all times. Any owner or responsible party shall be responsible for the removal or correction of any nuisance or nuisance conditions and the costs for such removal or correction.

The minimum requirements for weed and debris abatement are as follows:

Disking: All disking shall be completed so that all weeds, grass, crops, or other vegetation or organic material shall be completely removed or turned under to not be a fire hazard or public nuisance. If your parcel is greater than 20 acres, a 20' wide firebreak with no combustible vegetation must be maintained.

Mowing: This method is acceptable for lots near residential areas that are suitable for building on or when no other means of abatement is possible. Areas that are mowed shall be mowed down to 2" or lower. No piles of vegetation are permitted to remain on any part of the lot.

Handwork: Most properties will require some form of handwork. Handwork is described as the removal of all litter, rubbish and debris; the removal of all weeds and grass extending over onto the sidewalks; the removal of all weeds and grass along the fence lines.

Agricultural: Planted crops within the City Limits shall provide a 20' wide firebreak around all structures, combustible storage and property lines. Ten days after the crop is harvested the land shall be cultivated so all vegetation is removed or tilled under.

Debris Removal: Any flammable or combustible debris (i.e. scrap lumber, fallen trees, etc.), which would cause or increase the spread of fire, or any debris that would hinder adequate weed abatement (i.e. concrete, rocks, junk, dirt mounds, etc.) or any household items (i.e. mattresses, dressers, tables, chairs, couches, etc.) shall be removed.

Site Cleanup: Adjacent streets and sidewalks should be free of dirt and other debris from the weed abatement activities.

Due to regrowth, a second or third abatement may be necessary during the year. Furthermore, if the Fire Department deems your property a health and safety hazard, you could be required to abate your property prior to the listed deadlines.

If your property is in violation of the Dixon Municipal Code please voluntarily abate the code violation(s) by no later than listed deadlines or you will be subject to an administrative citation. The penalties for non-compliance are as follows per code violation:

- First Offense - \$100.00
- Second Offense - \$200.00
- Third Offense - \$500.00 (and each subsequent offense)

You, the owner, are responsible and required to abate any existing nuisances at the property for which you are the owner of record (see attached parcel number on the front of the envelope) by the below dates:

- **March 23rd, 2026**
- **May 4th, 2026**
- **June 15th, 2026**
- **July 27th, 2026**
- **September 7th, 2026**
- **October 19th, 2026**
- **November 30th, 2026**

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The Code Compliance Division

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