## STATE OF COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION

Policy No. B-300

SUBJECT:

**NOXIOUS PESTS** 

## I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to identify the Colorado Board of Parks and Outdoor Recreation's position on natural resource management.

## II. POLICY

WHEREAS, the Colorado Board of Parks and Outdoor Recreation is dedicated to the preservation of the natural resources of the State Park system; and

WHEREAS, the Division is expected to practice good land management procedures; and

WHEREAS, there is a presumption that infestation of noxious pests are cyclical in nature and tend to be controlled by inherent existing ecological conditions; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that certain of these natural processes may have been interruped by human activities.

NOW THEREFORE, it is the policy of the Colorado Board of Parks and Outdoor Recreation to let nature take its course, except where control of injurious plants and animals (noxious pests) are dictated by statute, or in intensive use areas where maintenance of existing vegetation is essential and cost effective.

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Policy No. B-300 is approved this	20th day of _	July
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Patricia B. McClearn Parks Board Chairwoman		

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