## OCTOBER 22, 2022

10/22/2022 per Mike McGinty, NOC President, "Over a dozen fields were examined for potential usage for the NOC with the agronomist surveying five of these fields. Based on her findings only the Grosland, Fawver and Fedoryk grounds will be used. A team of volunteers has been to the Grosland property to eradicate sporadic rye grass and will be returning to do another walk through which will be followed by a second survey by the agronomist."

## 2022 NOC AGRONOMIST REPORT

## Site 1 – Fawver's

This site is very well maintained and poses no foreseeable risks to the health of neither canines nor humans. Property is dominated by native species including big and little bluestem, yellow Indiangrass, switchgrass, and numerous forb plants. No grasses of concern were found.

Marked in orange is the approximate path walked.



## Site 2 – Fedoryk

The site consists primarily of goldenrod plants with a mix of native grasses throughout the location. Although no grasses of concern were observed, there is a prominent population of wild parsnip – a broadleaf plant with sap that causes immediate blistering to human skin, as well as being toxic and potentially deadly to dogs if consumed. Wild parsnip is much less of a concern in the fall when the event will be hosted as it is past the blooming period that occurs mid-summer and only short vegetative plants remain. Additionally, the freezing weather will significantly reduce the amount of blistering sap that is within the wild parsnip.

Marked in orange is the approximate path walked.



Site 3 – Grosland's

Similar to site 4, this site had some Canadian wild rye found on site. However, no large patches were observed and the plants that were found were primarily single stems that can easily be eradicated. I believe that with 4-6 people walking the competition route, this location would easily be eradicated of the intermittent Canadian wild rye plants and would make a great location. The majority of the site is native populations of big and little bluestems, yellow Indiangrass, eastern gama grass, and numerous forb species.

Marked in orange is the approximate path taken.



Site of Triple Arrows and Sexton's were also visited, both locations had populations of Canadian wild rye and some Virginia wild rye that are at populations too extensive to control at this time.



Signed,

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