Establishing a Photo Point

1. Use the photo-point sheet or dry erase board to write the date, site name, and GPS coordinates.

2. Pick appropriate sites within your project area that will not be disturbed but represent the infestation of the target noxious weed in the project area.

3. Pound a metal fence post into the ground and spray the top of the post with florescent and/or reflective paint for a permanent reference point. Photo-point sites should be marked using a GPS and have a permanent reference point. *Optional – instead of a metal fence post use a boulder, structure, a peak or hill, tree, etc.*

June 2006 – Whitetop before treatment

4. Place photo-point sheet/board next to the post or marker, stand 8 to 10 feet from the post and take photo.

REMEMBER…

☑ Project participants should establish their own photo-points. Promotes project participation.

☑ Take the photo-point of the target noxious weed **before** you start any of the project's approved control methods.

☑ Take a picture **after** the herbicide treatment or other control method. This will show effectiveness of the treatment on the target noxious weed for the Department of Agriculture, but also provides a good record for the landowner.

☑ Attach two or more photo-point (before and after) sites in the **November** status report to the Department of Agriculture. Pictures sent with the narrative must:
   ❖ Identify the noxious weed(s) in the photo,
   ❖ Date when picture was taken, and
   ❖ Label the picture as before or after control.

☑ Keep a complete set of photos for your files. This is a good record of the project's progress and useful when hosting a local tour, a Noxious Weed Trust Fund Advisory Council tour, or in your own presentation to the Advisory Council at the NWTF hearings.

Before 2005

After 2005

2006

Yellow toadflax

DO NOT SEND:
   ⊘ all before photos of random weeds, *(must include after photos)*
   ⊘ photos with no metal fence post or identifiable landmark in both pictures, and
   ⊘ photos with no information about them.