

How do I identify Ventenata and other Noxious Weeds?

Identifying weeds, (particularly invasive grasses) can be a challenge because many of them closely resemble our native, non-harmful species. You can access the Montana's Noxious Weeds online field guide to help you identify plants you're not certain about. <https://www.mtweed.org/weeds/weed-id/>

There's also an app for that! For help with identifying noxious weeds, you can download the diagnostics app for Montana. <http://diagnostics.montana.edu/submission-app.html>

This app is free and can be downloaded for either iOS or Android platforms. It allows users to send in photos of plants and include a description of the problem. Identifying Montana samples is a free service to residents.

Finally, you can bring physical samples to any Forest Service Office or the Lincoln County Weeds Department at the shop on Pipe Creek just across for the entrance to the landfill. Please put samples in a large Ziploc bag (be careful to not spread any seed) and include a card inside that describes the general location you took the sample and a phone number or email so we can contact you.

