Reduce the Spread of Noxious Weeds

Require <u>Certified Noxious Weed Free Straw</u> for Road, Oil Drilling, Pipeline & Construction Project

Ohio Seed Improvement Association (OSIA) is the only designated certification agency for Noxious Weed Free Forage and Mulch in Ohio by the North American Invasive Species Management Association (NAISMA)

Certification Requirements:

- OSIA inspects production fields & storage locations prior to harvest to verify they are free of listed noxious and other problem weeds
- OSIA issues certification labels or transit certificates to producers for bales harvested from qualifying fields
- Product traceability: tags & certificates are marked with unique serial numbers and identify the producer, crop type and field of production

LOOK FOR ONE OF THESE LABELS TO ENSURE YOU HAVE GENUINE CERTIFIED PRODUCT







Transit Certificate

Forage Bale Tag

Blue/Orange Twine

Interstate shipment of NAISMA Certified Weed Free Forage recommended to be accompanied by NAISMA Certified marking options such as one strand of special blue and orange colored twine or forage bale tag on each bale

Directory of producers with product available at: ohioseed.org

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