

Dry spring was good for weeds in Regina, city says

Report to council notes dandelions thrive in dry conditions

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A dry spring has led to an increase of weeds in Regina, according to a report to city council.

A spell of dry weather through the spring months has led to an increase in weed growth, according to a report prepared for Regina's city council.

The report, released Wednesday, noted that officials will continue to monitor weed numbers on city properties.

The city conducts regular weed density counts which influence where herbicides might be applied, if at all.

Three parks in Regina have been designated as increase in weed growth pesticide-free spaces and are never treated, except in extreme circumstances. They are Gordon Park, Al Picard Park and the park space at city hall (Queen Elizabeth II Park).

The report noted that, based on the most recent weed count information, 67 parks are on currently the city's herbicide-free list.

Healthy grass, that is aerated and fertilized, usually keeps weeds in check.