

Weld County Field Guide - Thistles

The pictures below are only for providing identifying features of the most misidentified noxious weeds in Weld County.



Musk thistle Flower



Musk thistle infestation – 2 to 10 feet tall



Musk thistle rosette – notice white border on leaves



Scotch thistle flower



Scotch thistle infestation – 2 to 10 feet tall



Scotch thistle rosette – notice the fuzzy hairs



Canada thistle flower



Canada thistle infestation – 1 to 4 feet tall



Canada thistle rosette – smaller in size



Bull thistle flower



Bull thistle infestation –
2 to 6 feet tall



Bull thistle rosette



*Weeds of the Great Plains and
the NE Dept of Agriculture*

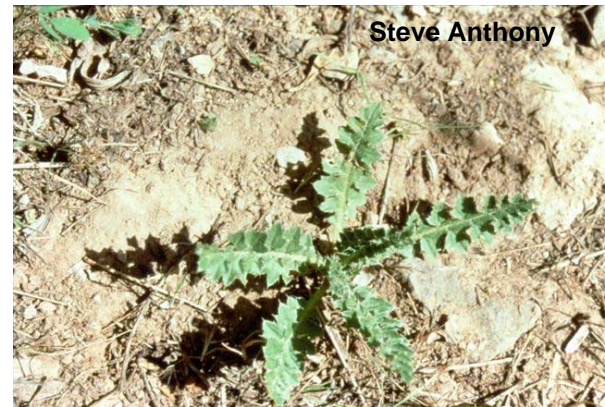
Plumless thistle flower



Gary Piper

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Plumless thistle plant –
1 to 5 feet tall



Steve Anthony

Plumless thistle rosette

Native Platte thistle – Does not have to be controlled!



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1-3 feet tall



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For assistance in dealing with these noxious weeds and other
weeds go to www.weldweeds.org or call 970-304-6496 ext. 3770