



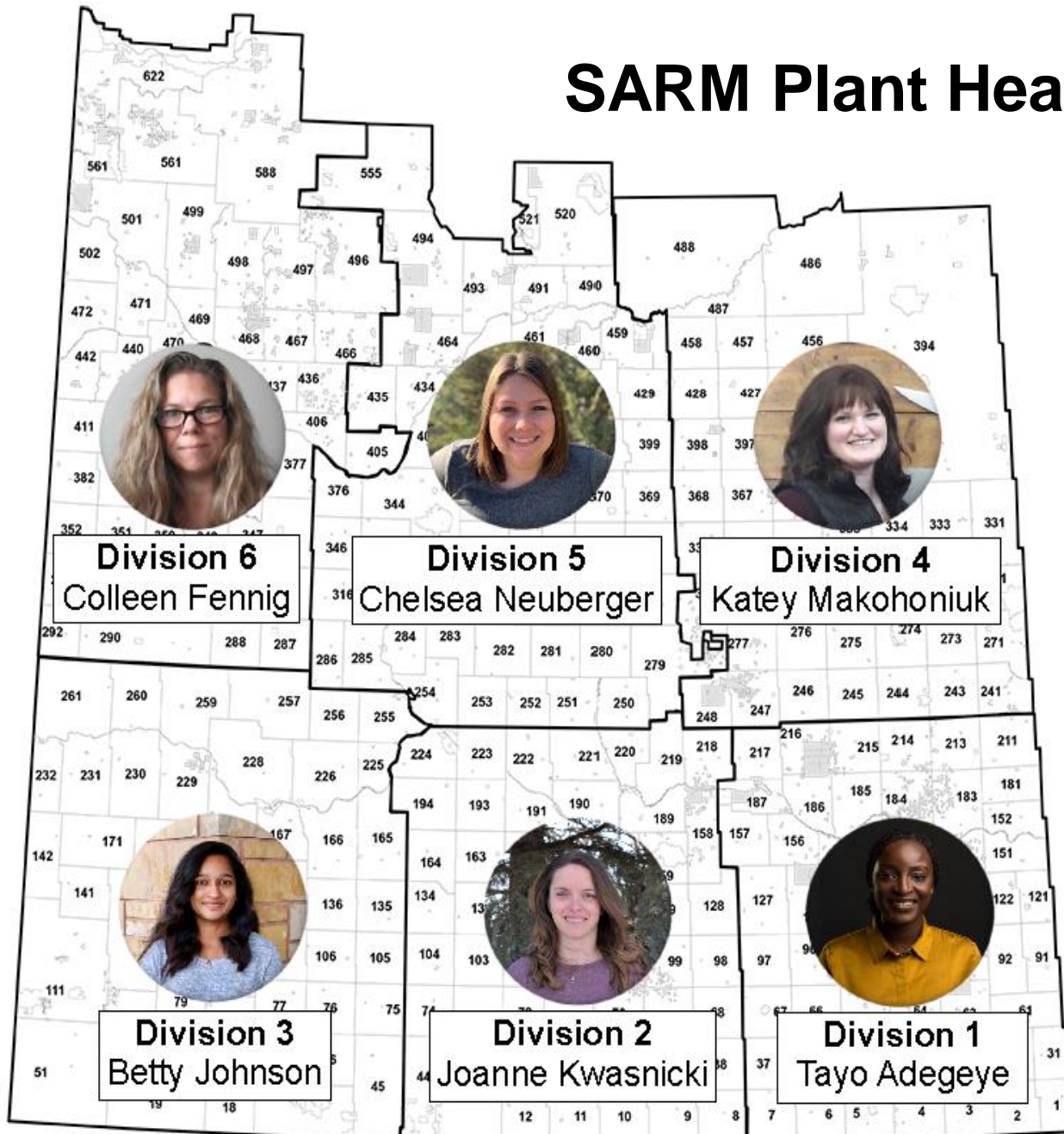
Pest Biosecurity Program

Plant Health Officers

Overview

- **Our team**
- **Our role**
 - Providing support to RMs and FNs
 - Invasive and emerging threats
 - Control strategies
 - Extension events
- **Contact us**

SARM Plant Health Officers



Plant Health Officer Role

The PHOs work to provide support to RMs and First Nations with regards to designated pests and weeds.

Our goal is to:

- Proactively identify, monitor and assist in the control of invasive/emerging threats
- Help develop more comprehensive and uniform control strategies across the Province

Providing support to RMs & FNs

- **Meet with Councils and staff** to discuss concerns
- **Provide information** on current legislation
- **Answer questions** related to claims and program guidelines
- **Provide same resources** to ratepayers



Ox-eye Daisy



Common Tansy

PHOs help to provide training for PCOs, WIs and Land Managers



Hounds-Tongue

PHOs assist:

- finding appointed officials
- finding licensed trappers and applicators
- WI and ratepayers with weed identification
- RMs and FNs with weed management plans



Orange Hawkweed

Invasive and emerging crop threats

- **PHOs assist** the Ministry of Agriculture with their annual crop pest surveys
- **PHOs host** biocontrol collection days for the leafy spurge beetles
- **PHOs monitor** current and historic release sites for various biocontrol agents

Bertha Armyworm
Moth Trap



Nodding Thistle Biocontrol

Developing Control Strategies

- **PHOs contribute** to several provincial committees.



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- We forward concerns from RMs, FNs, WIs, PCOs and producers to these committees, as well as our experiences in the field.

Extension Efforts

- **Quarterly newsletters**
- **Articles** in the Rural Councillor magazine
- **In-person and online workshops** for Weed Inspectors, Pest Control Officers and Land Managers

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