



Peace River Valley Citrus Growers Association (PRVCGA) members have elected James “Jimmy” Keen, Ralph Chamberlain, David Terrell, Roger Conley and Pam Mixon Vowels to the PRVCGA board of directors, and re-elected V.C. Hollingsworth III. They join directors Howard “Rowdy” Bateman, Robert “Bobby” Krause, Ken Sanders, Hugh L. Taylor, Eugene H. “Trey” Turner III and Justin Sorrells on the board. In January, the directors elected Taylor as president; Bateman as vice president; and Vowels as secretary/treasurer.

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CITRUS WEED SPOTLIGHT

Cudweed or wandering cudweed (*Gnaphalium pensylvanicum*)

By Stephen H. Futch

Leaves: alternate on stem, basal leaves short-lived in rosette, felt-like hairs on leaf surface

Stems: hairy, often branched

Flowers: in spike-like arrangement consisting of congested heads of florets at top of stems, whitish as a result of hairs on heads and bristles on fruit

Fruits: nutlets, tiny, hairy, numerous bristles on top



Life cycle: annual
Height: up to 18 inches tall
Propagated by: seeds

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