



Monthly Report

Northwest Michigan
Invasive Species Network
May 2016

Acres Treated: 88.75

Sites Treated: 51

Surveyed: 746.5 acres +9.25 mi road +9.5 mi shoreline

Sites Surveyed: 71

Volunteers: 132

Volunteer Hours: 281

Active Contacts: 377

Passive Contacts: 260,930 +website

Meetings/Presentations:

- 5/4 - Presented *Habitat Matters* to Interlochen Women's Club (25 attendees)
- 5/4 - Participated in ISN Steering Committee meeting
- 5/9 - Interviewed by 9&10 News ([GLRI-focused](#)); 120k FB likes on their page
- 5/13 - Interviewed by 9&10 News ([GM paper/Paperworks partnership](#)); 120k Facebook "likes" on their page
- 5/14 - Interviewed by [NatureChange.org](#) (garlic mustard workbees); >10k website hits
- 5/19 - Presented *Habitat Matters* to Interlochen school group (43 students)
- 5/20 - Attended & represented ISN at GTCD's 75th Anniversary Celebration (~30 active contacts, ~100 passive contacts)
- 5/21 - Attended & represented ISN at Invasives/Site Prep workshop (Wellston; 5 active contacts, ~35 passive contacts)
- 5/24 - Attended & updated at Benzie Watershed Meeting

Treatments and Surveys:

- 5/6 - Manistee GM Workbee; 5 volunteers, 15 volunteer hours, 2 acres, 3 bags
- 5/6 - Volunteers (Benzie Long Lake Assoc.) pulled garlic mustard; 1 site, 3 acres, 3 bags, 2 volunteers, 6.5 volunteer hrs
- 5/7 - GT GM Workbee; 7 volunteers, 21 volunteer hours, 1 acre, 10 bags
- 5/9 - Hosted Manistee HS GM workbee (Kevin Postma classes); 1 site, 80 students, 120 volunteer hours, 16 bags, 2 acres
- 5/13 - Hosted Benzie GM Workbee (Tank Hill); 1 site, 12 volunteers, 36 volunteer hours, 15 bags, 5 acres
- 5/14 - Hosted Leelanau GM Workbee (Clay Cliffs); 1 site, 20 volunteers, 60 volunteer hours, 150 bags, 3 acres
- 5/14 - Site visit to Empire landowner association (Orchard/Storm Hill) re: garlic mustard presence & control; 7 contacts, 10 acres surveyed
- 5/21 - Volunteer pulled garlic mustard at Benzie Long Lake; 0.5 acre, 1 site, 1 bag, 1 volunteer, 2.5 hours
- 5/28 - Camp Arcadia GM mini-workbee; 5 volunteers, 20 hours, 1 site, .5 acres, 11 bags
- Crew pulled garlic mustard; 39 acres, 25 sites, 69.5 bags
- Contractor pulled garlic mustard: 14 sites, 50 acres, 25 bags
- Surveyed: 19 sites, 545 acres, 9.25 mi roadside
- Treated Japanese knotweed; 4 sites, .5 acres
- Surveyed for coltsfoot (Glen Lk); 9.5 miles of shoreline

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Other Accomplishments:

- 5/2, 5/9, 5/12 - Seasonals Started!
- 5/5 - Hosted site visit with DNR Grant Officer (Ryan Wheeler)
- 5/10 - Attended & updated at Frankfort Tree Board meeting
- 5/11 - Assisted CSA with reporting
- 5/12 - Attended Manistee CD's Oak Wilt Steering Committee meeting
- 5/24 - Met with LCD for contacts
- 5/24 - Met with Ron Bollinger (Foresight Group) re: Invasive Plant ID guide printing
- 5/25 - Conference call to plan June 9 training
- 5/26 - Meeting w/ Jennifer Scholl, Kayla Knoll (Manistee County/CD)
- Processed incoming knotweed treatment agreements
- 2nd Clean Boats, Clean Waters set: August 6, 10a-3p, Bear Lake (Manistee County)
- Facebook Reach: 9,430

Ongoing Work:

- Managing ISN budget
- Updating ISN website, Facebook page, and resources
- Updating and consolidating GIS data
- Surveying for priority species in each county
- Education & outreach
- Creating & sharing materials with partners

Respectfully Submitted,
Katie Grzesiak and the ISN Team
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