



Monthly Report

Northwest Michigan
Invasive Species Network
July 2017

Active Contacts: 167
Passive Contacts: 166,931 + website
Volunteer Hours: 48
Volunteers: 16

Acres Treated: 13
Sites Treated: 32
Acres Surveyed: 901
Sites Surveyed: 53

Meetings/Presentations:

- 7/8 - Assisted with boatwash & outreach at CBCW event during Bear Lake Days; 23 active contacts, 12 boats washed
- 7/6 - Conducted landowner site visit (Suttons Bay); 2 contacts, 2 acres surveyed
- 7/10 - Presented *Habitat Matters* at Leland Twp meeting; 19 attendees
- 7/11 - Attended & updated at Frankfort Tree Board mtg; 8 attendees
- 7/11 - Presented *Habitat Matters* to Weldon Twp mtg; 9 attendees
- 7/12 - Met with DJ and Jonathan re: Tribe GLRI & EQIP with ISN
- 7/13 - Attended Rotary Charities Grant Training
- 7/14 - Attended Phragmites Adaptive Management Framework (PAMF) training (Gaylord)
- 7/17 - Attended Homestead/Inland Twps meeting; 9 attendees
- 7/18 - Presented ordinances etc. to Elmwood Twp.; 12 attendees; will be using Planting Guide!
- 7/24-25 - Attended CISMA Field Trip & ID Workshop (Grand Rapids); 8 (new) contacts, saw many EDR species (Chinese yam, swallowwort, etc.)
- 7/26 - Met with Saving Birds Thru Habitat; 2 new contacts

Treatments and Surveys:

- 7/6 - Hosted baby's breath workbee (Elberta Beach); 8 volunteers, 24 volunteer hours, 1 acre
- 7/10 - Site visit GT, surveyed for Oriental Bittersweet (7 acres)
- 7/10 - Site visit MC, Surveyed for PH, (5 acres)
- 7/15 - Hosted Elberta Beach workbee; 8 volunteers, 24 volunteer hours, 1 acre
- 7/20 - EDR: giant hogweed site visit, confirmed to be cow parsnip
- 7/27 - Hosted Manistee JB Trade-Up Dumpster Day; 6 drop-offs, 13 active contacts, 37 plants collected (filled a 12 yd dumpster!)
- 7/29 - Hosted GT JB Trade-Up Dumpster Day; 11 active contacts, 25 plants collected
- 7/31 - Landowner site visit (Traverse City) for general invasives/*Go Beyond Beauty* participation
- Restoration: planted 60 native willow stakes at Lautner Irrigation JK site (0.25 acre), 1,000 trees & shrubs at North Point Park & Glen Park (20 acres)
- Treated JK: MC- 5 sites ~5.5 acres, LC- 7 sites ~3 acres, GT- 16 sites 2.5 acres
- Treated **EDR** giant hogweed in Manistee County; 1 site, 9 plants, <1/4 acre
- Started Phragmites letters/permissions; 10 letters sent
- Conducted JK site visits: GT: 2 sites, 1.5 acre surveyed; MC: 1 site, ~4 acres surveyed
- Surveyed 22 sites in four counties; 803 acres + **30 road miles, 6 miles inland lake shoreline**
- **+ 8 miles GL shoreline + 10 rivermiles**
- BONUS survey in Kalkaska County: 1 site, 68 acres, 6 road miles

Other Accomplishments:

- **Welcomed two new GBB participants!**
- **Invited for full proposals on 3 MISGP applications**
- Ordered 3 new door hangers and 1 new (JB) rack card



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- Updated & printed GBB participant insert
- Invasive Species Curriculum finalized and [on website](#)
- [Baby's Breath spot/article](#) by UpNorth Live published (151,700+ likes)
- [Manistee News Advocate interview](#) - article in paper on Dumpster Day, plus a calendar item
- Facebook reach: 7,731
 - Passed 800 "Likes"!
- [Instagram](#): passed 80 followers!

Ongoing Work:

- TART Leelanau Trail Invasive Species Management Plan work—first draft complete
- Continued Municipality outreach work
- Managing ISN budget
- Updating ISN website, Facebook page, and resources
- Updating and consolidating GIS data
- Education & outreach
- Creating & sharing materials with partners

Upcoming Events:

- 8/3 - Elberta Beach baby's breath workbee, 9am

Respectfully Submitted,
Katie Grzesiak and the ISN Team
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