

Monthly Report

Northwest Michigan Invasive Species Network November 2017

Active Contacts: 191
Passive Contacts: 128,436
Volunteer Hours: 0

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Acres Surveyed: 7.5 Sites Surveyed: 3 Acres Treated: 0.5 Sites Treated: 2

Meetings/Presentations:

I I/2 - "Attended" USFS CWMA GLRI webinar

- I/3 Interviewed by 9&10 re: EPA-GLRI2016
- 11/7 Attended Nature Change Steering Committee meeting; ~12 active
- 11/7 Attended Portage Lake Watershed Steering Committee meeting; ~12 active
- II/7 Attended LCD Board Meeting re: GLRI contract; 4 active
- I I/8 "Attended" webinar on <u>stiltgrass</u>
- 11/10 Presented Habitat Matters to Grand Traverse Academy class; ~40 students
- II/I4 Attended & updated at Frankfort Tree Board Mtg;
- II/I4 Attended Leelanau Goes Native mtg; I new contact
- II/I5 "Attended" Phragmites Tax Increment Financing webinar
- II/I5 Attended BCD Annual Mtg/Open House; 20 contacts
- II/I6 Presented (career path) to WMU/NMC; 30 contacts
- I I/20 Presented Habitat Matters to Bingham Twp.; 8 present
- II/21 Met with Portage Lake planners re: invasive species data
- II/27 Participated in career roundtable at NMC; 21 participants

Treatments and Surveys:

- II/I0 Bittersweet/Phragmites site visit; 5 acres
- 11/21 Trained LCD staff on GPS use/MSIN methods
- Treated 0.5 acres bittersweet @ GT Commons (2 sites)
- Surveyed I.5 acres (Elmwood Wetlands)

Other Accomplishments:

- 11/16 Delivered final boot brush stations
- Coverage of GLRI grant by 9 & 10 News (100,000 passive)
- Coverage of Crystal Lake Walkabout by Record Patriot (we participated)
- Coverage of GLRI grant by Record Eagle (20,000 passive)
- Created flier for municipality tax mailings
- Closed out MISGP2 grant spending—Final report due by the end of December
- Completed EPA GLRI progress reports (2)
- Completed Fiscal Year Annual Report
- Completed ISN FY18 Workplan
- Submitted DNR permit reports
- Submitted MISIN survey data for 2017
- Began MISGP2 Final Reporting

Ongoing Work:

- Updating Strategic Plan with partner feedback
- Managing ISN budget
- Updating ISN website, Facebook page, and resources
- Updating and consolidating GIS data
- Education & outreach
- Creating & sharing materials with partners

Upcoming Events:

• Watch for Garlic Mustard Workbees in May! (Dates on our website)

Respectfully Submitted, Katie Grzesiak and the ISN Team December 1, 2017

- Began USFS2018 CWMA proposal
- Began EPA GLRI 2015 final spend-down
- Facebook reach: 5,722 passive
- Website reach: 2,671 unique visitors (passive)