



# Monthly Report

Northwest Michigan  
Invasive Species Network  
June 2019

**Public Inquiry Responses: 48**

**Active Contacts: 340**

**Passive Contacts: 36,543**

**Volunteer Hours: 8**

**Volunteers: 4**

**Acres Restored: 0**

**Acres Surveyed: 348.25**

**Sites Surveyed: 87**

**Acres Treated: 113.5**

**Sites Treated: 75**

**Sites Restored: 0**

## Meetings/Presentations:

- 6/1 - Held booth at Leelanau Conservancy Landowner event; 28 contacts
- 6/3 - Hosted GT ID training; 27 attendees
- 6/4 - Hosted Manistee ID Training; 23 attendees
- 6/5 - Attended & reported at Leelanau State Park meeting (volunteer event planning); 2 contacts
- 6/6 - Hosted Michigan Invasive Species Coalition (MISC) Strategic Plan meeting
- 6/7 - Presented on ISN at Leadership Grand Traverse; 25 attendees
- 6/8 - Presented *Habitat Matters* at Protecting Our Lakes & Shorelines (POLs) speaker series; 40 attendees
- 6/10 - Presented *Habitat Matters* to TC Humanists; 30 attendees
- 6/11 - "Attended" Great Lakes Hydrilla Collaborative webinar
- 6/12 - "Attended" Midwest Invasive Plant Network board meeting
- 6/13 - Conducted ISN Steering Committee meeting
- 6/18 - Chaired Michigan Invasive Species Coalition meeting (Lansing); 10 attendees
- 6/19 - Presented *Habitat Matters* to Plant It Wild; 28 attendees
- 6/25 - Hosted T20 species prioritization meeting
- 6/25 - Met with MI Dept. of Transportation/railroad re: knotweed/Phragmites treatment; 6 attendees
- 6/27 - Assisted & presented at Inland Seas Great Lakes Watershed Field Course for educators; 25 teachers contacted
- 6/29 - Presented *Habitat Matters* to Saving Birds Thru Habitat; 30 attendees
- 6/29 - Co-hosted Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Landing Blitz with Crystal Lake Watershed Assoc & AIS Pathways Partnership; 10 contacts, 3 boats washed

## Treatments, Restoration, and Surveys:

- 6/7 - Hosted GT Japanese barberry Trade-Up day; 16 participants, 54 plants
- 6/8 - Hosted baby's breath workbee; covered by GT Regional Land Conservancy due to scheduling conflicts
- 6/7-6/9 - Surveyed South Manitou Is. for hemlock woolly adelgid; 250 acres
- 6/20 - Hosted baby's breath workbee (Elberta); 4 volunteers, 8 volunteer hours, 2 acres
- 6/22 - Hosted Japanese barberry Trade-Up Day (Benzie); 18 attendees, **110 plants!**
- **Early Detection Response:** hogweed report site visit (1 site, 3 acres); negative ☹️
- Pulled swallow-wort: 0.5 acres, 1 site
- Sprayed swallow-wort: 0.5 acres, 3 sites
- Conducted landowner site visits: 1 acres, 2 sites, 8 contacts
- Conducted knotweed site visits: 4 sites, 7.5 acres
- Conducted Phragmites site visits: 1 site, 5 acres
- Pulled garlic mustard: 12 sites, 70.5 acres
- Treated knotweed: 66 sites, 19 acres



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- Controlled other invasives: 2 sites, 13 acres

### Other Accomplishments:

- [Betsie Current article on JB](#) (5,000 contacts)
- [Knotweed workshop promo](#) in Manistee News Advocate (15,000 reach)
- June 1-7: Play Clean Go Awareness Week!
- Worked on knotweed permissions/updates; 15 direct contacts
- Continued work on permitting
- Continued work on survey permissions
- Continued outreach & education work
- Facebook reach: 13,298
- Website reach: 6,620
- Instagram reach: 1,631
- May 2019 eNews: 511 opens

### Upcoming Events:

- Knotweed Landowner Workshops: July 9 (Leelanau), July 10 (Manistee), 5pm
- Continuing baby's breath workbees (Elberta Beach): Sat, July 13, 9:30am
- Selected dates for fall autumn olive workshops: August 21 & 22 (details TBD)
- AIS Awareness Week July 1-7
- Additional ISN events scheduled: [www.habitatmatters.org/eventsworkbees](http://www.habitatmatters.org/eventsworkbees)

Respectfully Submitted,  
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