

Monthly Report

Northwest Michigan Invasive Species Network December 2020

Public Inquiry Responses: 31 Active Efforts: 67 Active Contacts: 438 Passive Efforts: 34 Passive Impressions: 39,425 Volunteer Hours: O Volunteers: O Acres Surveyed: O Sites Surveyed: O Sites Monitored: O Acres Treated: O Sites Treated: O Acres Restored: O Sites Restored: O

Meetings/Presentations/Trainings:

- 12/1 Attended hemlock woolly adelgid (HWA) training
- 12/3 Presented at Michigan Nursery & Landscaper Association Pesticide Clinic; 57 attendees
- 12/14 ISN Workplan retreat
- 12/17 Hosted Go Beyond Beauty Advisory Committee meeting; 7 attendees
- 12/17 Attended Midwest Invasive Plant Network Board Meeting (Emily was elected to serve another term!)
- 12/18 Hosted HWA presentation for GT Regional Land Conservancy; 10 attendees
- Interview by Ludington radio; 9,000 impressions
- Assisted with Michigan Invasive Species Coalition annual meeting planning
- HWA articles in the <u>Leelanau Ticker</u>, <u>Manistee News Advocate</u>, and <u>Benzie Record</u> Patriot, plus numerous partner shares
- Webinars "attended:"
 - Management of mile-a-minute weed
 - Tribal Partnerships (featuring partner Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians!)
 - Equity in Environmental Work

Treatments, Restoration, and Surveys:

- EDR Report: Chinese yam, Leelanau County (wait until spring to confirm)
- Submitted EGLE, MDOT, DNR land use reporting
- Submitted National Park Service research permit for HWA surveys at Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore
- Hired HWA Survey Technician (welcome back Keith Ferguson!)

Other Accomplishments:

- Submitted grants for the Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program and US Forest Service Great Lakes Restoration Initiative for CWMAs/CISMAs
- Facebook reach: 5,174
- Website unique visitors: 1,509
- Instagram reach: 1,035
- Twitter reach: 242
- YouTube views: 20
- November <u>eNews</u> opens: 428

Respectfully Submitted, Katie Grzesiak and the ISN Team