

## **Monthly Report**

Northwest Michigan Invasive Species Network August 2014

Acres Treated: 199 Acres Surveyed: 14 Volunteer Hours: 0 People Contacted: 71

## Meetings/Presentations:

- 8/5 Attended & reported at LCD Board Meeting; 10 attending
- 8/12 Attended & answered questions at Peninsula Township's Phragmites ordinance public hearing; ~60 present
- 8/18 Attended & reported at MCD special session regarding hosting ISN crew; 4 attending

## **Other Accomplishments:**

- Treated Japanese knotweed (JK) in Benzie County (Clearcast); 8 stands, 1 acre
- Treated JK in Leelanau County (Clearcast); 15 stands, 1.5 acres
- Treated giant knotweed in Leelanau County (acetic acid); 2 stands, 0.5 acres
- Treated JK in Grand Traverse County (Clearcast); 16 stands, 2 acres
- Clipped purple loosestrife seedheads at Natural Education Reserve; 8 acres
- Treated Top 20 invasives in Brown Bridge Quiet Area bottomlands; 4 acres
- Treated invasive thistles at Brown Bridge Quiet Area bottomlands; ~22 acres
- Hand-swiped Phragmites at Brown Bridge; ~160 acres
- Surveyed Railroad Point Natural Area for Top 20 invasives; 14 acres
- Visited 2 Manistee Co. landowners regarding invasives on their properties; 5 present
- Submitted Great Lakes Restoration Initiative grant proposal
- Visited a Grand Traverse Co. landowner regarding invasives on their property; 2 present

## **Ongoing Work:**

- Coordinating roadside Phragmites treatments
- 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