

Awareness: Field Species

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Autumn and Russian olives	Elaeagnus umbellata/angustifolia
Black locust	Robinia pseudoacacia
Bladder campion	Silene vulgaris
Common tansy	Tanacetum vulgare
Common and cut-leaf teasel	Dipsacus laciniatus
Crown and cow vetch	Coronilla varia/Vicia villosa
Invasive thistles	Many; Cirsium vulgare, etc.
Leafy and cypress spurges	Euphorbia esula/cyparissias
Mullein	Verbascum thapsus
Smooth brome	Bromus inermis
Spotted knapweed	Centaurea stoebe
White and yellow sweet clovers	Melilotus alba/officinalis

Top 12 Invasive Species Prioritized by ISN in All Habitats

Baby's Breath
Barberry, Japanese and common
Blue lyme grass
Buckthorns, glossy and common
Callery pear, Bradford and Cleveland
Garlic mustard
Invasive honeysuckles
Knotweeds, Japanese, giant, bohemian
Oriental bittersweet
Invasive phragmites
Purple loosestrife
Tree-of-heaven

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