



# Monthly Report

Northwest Michigan  
Invasive Species Network  
March 2016

**Acres Treated: 0**

**Acres Surveyed: 0**

**Active Contacts: 156**

**Volunteers: 0**

**Volunteer Hours: 0**

**Passive Contacts: ~138,030**

## Meetings/Presentations:

- 3/3 - Presented *Habitat Matters* to Benzie Audubon (20 present)
- 3/4 - Participated in Envirothon (15 students, 3 instructors)
- 3/4 - Attended MI Invasive Plant Council meeting (Lansing)
- 3/4 - Presented on *Phragmites* work to MIPC (22 attendees)
- 3/9 - Hosted ISN Partner Meeting (36 attendees)
- 3/11 - Attended & shared ISN's organizational structure at 3D Printing Learning Community's Steering Committee meeting (9 attendees)
- 3/14 - Attended & updated at MISC Core Team Meeting
- 3/16 - Presented *Habitat Matters* at GTCD Seedling Sale workshop (12 active)
- 3/17 - Held booth at IB school's openhouse (~10 active + ~30 passive)

## Other Accomplishments:

- **Interviewed and hired Habitat Management Specialist, Outreach Assistant, 2 Survey Technicians, Crew Leader, and 3 Crew Members**
- Interviewed by Record Eagle regarding GTCD seedling sale (habitat/native/invasive angle--18,000 circulation)
- Interviewed by 9&10 News for [piece on CD seedling sales](#) (120k FB likes on their page=passive reach)
- Scheduled *Clean Boats Clean Waters* event for July 2
- Reviewed TWC's Boardman River Prosperity Plan for invasive species topics

## Upcoming Events:

- *Go Beyond Beauty* Spring Meeting – April 4, 1pm (Boardman River Nature Center)
- Manistee County Garlic Mustard Workbee – May 6, 9am (Magoon Creek)
- Grand Traverse Garlic Mustard Workbee – May 7, 9am (BRNC)
- Benzie County Garlic Mustard Workbee – May 13, 9am (Tank Hill)
- Leelanau County Garlic Mustard Workbee – May 14, 9am (Leelanau Conservancy property)
- Invasive Species Training Day (AmeriCorps Members and ISN Partners only) – June 9, all day

## Ongoing Work:

- Preparing for the start of the new hires
- Working to execute the EPA GLRI grant
- Managing ISN budget
- 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

Respectfully Submitted,

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