



# Monthly Report

Northwest Michigan  
Invasive Species Network  
June 2018

**Public Inquiry Responses: 54**  
**Active Contacts: 253**  
**Passive Contacts: 40,051**  
**Volunteer Hours: 15**  
**Volunteers: 12**

**Acres Surveyed: 130 and 25 road miles**  
**Sites Surveyed: 100**  
**Acres Treated: 111**  
**Sites Treated: 93**

## Meetings/Presentations:

- 6/1 - Conducted GT Site visit, Slabtown Beach; 2 acres surveyed
- 6/1 - Hold ISN booth at LCD native plant sale; 2 active, 30 passive contacts
- 6/1 - Hosted Jane Kramer gallery opening; 6 present
- 6/2 - Hosted Jane Kramer papermaking workshop; 10 attendees
- 6/3 - Held booth at Stand Up for our Great Lakes Flotilla event; 10 active, 20 passive contacts
- 6/7 - Hosted Partner/Volunteer ID Training; 25 attendees
- 6/9 - Hosted Manistee public knotweed training; 5 participants
- 6/11 - Co-hosted Kid's Creek workbee w/ TWC; 3 volunteers, 3 volunteer hours
- 6/11 - Presented *Habitat Matters* to village of Kingsley; 13 attendees
- 6/12 - ISN Steering Committee meeting
- 6/12 - "Attended" webinar: Great Lakes Hydrilla Collaborative
- 6/14 - Hosted MISC Core Team meeting; 10 attendees
- 6/14 - Presented *Habitat Matters* to Pleasanton Twp; 5 attendees
- 6/15 - Hosted Manistee Japanese Barberry Trade-up; 35 contacts, 96 plants
- 6/15 - Held booth at MCD Native Plant Sale
- 6/16 - Hosted Grand Traverse JB Trade-up; 19 contacts, 129 plants
- 6/16 - Hosted Elberta Beach Baby's Breath workbee; 6 volunteers, 9 volunteer hours
- 6/19 - Led hike for NMU Bio 110 class; 18 students
- 6/21 - Led Habitrekking for BCD Nuts 4 Nature daycamp; 18 k
- 6/28 - Attended Great Lakes Leadership Academy activities (Lansing)

## Treatments, Restoration, and Surveys:

- **GM Dumpsters: Frankfort: 11+6+6 bags, 3 acres, 4 contacts; GT: 4 bags, 0.5 acres, 1 contact; Benzie Long Lake: 7 bags**
- **New GBB Participant:** GT private landowner
- 6/6 - Site visit (JB), Manistee
- 6/7 - Hosted Elberta Beach BB workbee; 3 volunteers, 6 hours, 1 acre
- 6/22 - JK site visit at CSA; 1 site, 0.25 acres
- 6/22 - JK site visit at Harbor Village; 1 site, 0.25 acres
- Additional site visits: 9 visits, 6 acres
- Removed yellow flag iris; 1 site, 0.25 acres
- EDR: Responded to report of [black swallow-wort](#) in Kingsley (GT County); CONFIRMED.
  - Surveys: 6 acres, 2 sites
- Crew: pulled 5 sites, 8 acres of garlic mustard
- Crew: pulled 1 site (0.25 acres) Early Detection [Oregon grape](#)
- Crew: treated 28.5 acres, 73 sites of knotweed in 4 counties
- Crew: treated 1 acre, 1 site woody invasives (Frankfort)
- Crew: treated 0.5 acre, 1 site leafy spurge (GT)
- Crew: treated 58 acres baby's breath (Benzie)



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## Other Accomplishments:

- **Submitted 2 MISGP pre-proposals (CISMA and project)**
- Sent 50 email invites for JK trainings
- Filer Twp mailing (2,000 reach)
- Manistee News Advocate [article on knotweed training](#); 15,000 reach
- Drafted (prospective) swallow-wort ordinance for village of Kingsley
- Participated in National Pollinator Week on Facebook (6/18-6/22)
- Facebook reach: 12,703
- Website reach: 10,278

## Ongoing Work:

- Garlic Mustard dumpsters complete in all 4 counties!
- Invasive Species & GBB site visits
- Managing ISN budget
- Updating ISN site, Facebook, & resources
- Updating and consolidating GIS data
- Education & outreach
- Creating & sharing materials with partners

## Upcoming Events:

- Baby's breath workbees July-August
- August 6: [An Evening of Conservation: The Status of Invasive Species](#)
- Aquatic Invasive Species Awareness Week is July 2-8!

Respectfully Submitted,  
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