



Monthly Report

Northwest Michigan
Invasive Species Network
October 2018

Public Inquiry Responses: 18
Active Contacts: 1,129
Passive Contacts: 23,021
Volunteer Hours: 0
Volunteers: 0

Acres Surveyed: 75.5
Sites Surveyed: 24
Acres Treated: 35
Sites Treated: 17

Meetings/Presentations:

- 10/1 - "Attended" WIGL plant list reconciliation call
- 10/1 - Met with Gerstacker regarding future grant opportunities
- 10/4 - Presented *Habitat Matters* at Leelanau 5th Grade Field Day; 75 students, 10 chaperones
- 10/5 - Presented *Habitat Matters* at Northern Michigan University Biology Department Seminar Series; 45 attendees
- 10/8 - Presented ISN to Leadership Grand Traverse (~35 attendees)
- 10/9 - Presented *Habitat Matters* at Crystal Lake Walkabout; 150 students, 10 teachers
- 10/9 - "Attended" MISC annual meeting planning call
- 10/10 - Attended & updated at Nature Change annual meeting (~10 attendees)
- 10/12 - Cedar Hedge Lake site visit; verified Eurasian water-milfoil (5 acres)
- 10/14-10/17 - Attended Upper Midwest Invasive Species Conference (UMISC); ~15 contacts
- 10/16 - Presented on knotweed control on the ground at UMISC; ~80 attendees
- 10/19 - Presented *Habitat Matters* at MNLA pesticide clinic; 18 attendees
- 10/22-10/25 - Attended final Great Lakes Leadership Academy session
- 10/23 - Attended & updated at Benzie Watersheds Mtg.; 19 attendees
- 10/26 - Held booth at Freshwater Summit; 10 contacts, ~100 passers-by

Treatments, Restoration, and Surveys:

- 10/9 - Trained Filer Twp re: Magoon Creek woody invasives; 2 attendees, 2 acres, 1 site
- 10/9 - Completed Manistee photo point monitoring; 3 sites, 20 acres
- Swallow-wort treatment: 1 site, 0.25 acres
- High-priority species treatments: 17 sites, 33 acres
- Site visits/surveys: 2 sites, 6 acres

Other Accomplishments:

- 10/10 - IPR knotweed interview
- Completed & submitted USFS Landscape-Scale Restoration proposal
- Crystal Lake Walkabout article, Record Patriot; 8,000 circulation
- Facebook reach: 8,015
- Website reach: 3,352
- Instagram reach: 1,056

Upcoming Events:

- **Fall partner meeting Wednesday, November 7, 1-4pm, Boardman River Nature Center**

Respectfully Submitted,
Katie Grzesiak and the ISN Team
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