



Monthly Report

Northwest Michigan
Invasive Species Network
April 2020

MISGP funding paused effective 4/9/2020 due to Executive Directive 2020-3

Public Inquiry Responses: 22
Active Efforts: 2
Active Contacts: 186
Passive Efforts: 19
Passive Impressions: 14,697
Volunteer Hours: 0
Volunteers: 0

Acres Surveyed: 5
Sites Surveyed: 1
Sites Monitored: 11
Acres Treated: 57
Sites Treated: 11
Acres Restored: 0
Sites Restored: 0

Meetings/Presentations:

- 4/9 – Hosted ISN Partner Meeting online; 35 attendees
- "Attended" webinars: oak decline, giving good feedback, drought and invasive species, callery pear, dune restoration, prescribed burning on private lands
- 4/19 - Interview with SEAS researcher; 1 contact
- 4/15 - Hosted *GBB* spring meeting (online); 22 participants
- 4/20 - "Attended" GTCD Board Meeting (re: funding changes)

Treatments, Restoration, and Surveys:

- Surveyed NER for upcoming garlic mustard work; 5 acres
- 4/27 – Met with contractors regarding garlic mustard work
- Contract treatment of garlic mustard: 57 acres, 11 sites
- Monitored 11 sites

Other Accomplishments:

- **New *GBB* participants: Bioconcentric and Inner-Coastal Ecological Services**
- Started and laid off *Go Beyond Beauty* Specialist position
- Laid off Outreach Specialist, Invasive Species Specialist
- Ended HWA Survey Technician position one week early
- Sent 39 landowner permission letters
- YouTube Channel is live and the first video is posted - [decontamination!](#)
- Created invasive species [coloring pages](#)
- **Please share resources when possible, using the hashtags #educatewithisn and #teachinvasivespecies**
- Drafted Vulnerability Analysis for NPDES permit requirements
- Assisted Solon Twp Parks w/ plant selection
- Facebook reach: 7,989
- Website unique visitors: 3,102
- Instagram reach: 2,913
- YouTube reach: 77
- March 2020 eNews: 616 opens

Upcoming Events:

- Many of ISN's 2020 events are scheduled! While we are not certain which will continue and which may be cancelled or postponed, you can check them out at www.habitatmatters.org/eventsworkbees

Respectfully Submitted,
Katie Grzesiak and the ISN Team

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