



# Monthly Report

Northwest Michigan  
Invasive Species Network  
September 2020

**Public Inquiry Responses: 40**  
**Active Efforts: 0**  
**Active Contacts: 140**  
**Passive Efforts: 32**  
**Passive Impressions: 11,113**  
**Volunteer Hours: 0**  
**Volunteers: 0**

**Acres Surveyed: 4**  
**Sites Surveyed: 5**  
**Sites Monitored: 241**  
**Acres Treated: 85.5**  
**Sites Treated: 61**  
**Acres Restored: 0**  
**Sites Restored: 0**

## Meetings/Presentations:

- 9/2 - Met with DNR re: reinstating grants
- 9/10 - Hosted Michigan Invasive Species Coalition Core Team meeting; 8 attendees
- 9/15 - "Attended" Midwest Invasive Plant Network Board Meeting; 12 contacts
- 9/19-20 - Completed Wilderness First Aid training; 5 contacts
- 9/23 - "Attended" MISGP hemlock woolly adelgid mtg
- 9/24 - "Attended" pollinator webinar
- 9/29 - "Attended" Josh Shields advisory meeting; 5 contacts

## Treatments, Restoration, and Surveys:

- **EDR:** checked kudzu report (negative)
- **EDR:** Hogweed population reduced to monitoring (no plants present)!
- Restoration plants received & distributed
- Site visits: 3 sites, 2.5 acres; 4 contacts
- Treated knotweed: 21 sites, 11 acres
- Treated phragmites: 48 sites, 80 acres
- Treated wetlands mixture (PH, NC, RC, giant Chinese silvergrass): 2 sites, 1 acre
- Treated butterbur: 2 sites, 0.5 acres
- Treated invasive bittersweet: 3 sites, 5.5 acres

## Other Accomplishments:

- Welcome back Shelly, GBB Specialist!
- Started Twitter account for ISN; [@NWMISN](#)
- **New GBB Community participant (gold level!)**
- 9/18 - Nature Change video and article [published](#)
- Article on barberry trade-up and GBB in Ohio Wild Ones newsletter; 1,000+ impressions
- Assisted 2 local governments with invasive species concerns
- Submitted purple loosestrife to DNR for printing approval
- Facebook reach: 5,837
- Website unique visitors: 2,081
- Instagram reach: 1,581
- Twitter reach: 403
- YouTube views: 201
- August [eNews](#) opens: 440

## Upcoming Events:

- Many of ISN's 2020 events are moving online! As details are available, you can check them out at [www.habitatmatters.org/eventsworkbees](http://www.habitatmatters.org/eventsworkbees)

Respectfully Submitted,  
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