

Monthly Report

Northwest Michigan Invasive Species Network July 2023

Public Inquiry Responses: 25

Active Efforts: 64 Active Impressions: 130 Passive Efforts: 16

Passive Impressions: 50,030 GBB-specific active efforts: 39 GBB-specific active impressions: 64 GBB-specific passive efforts: 7

GBB-specific passive impressions: 1,498

Acres Surveyed: 3 Sites Surveyed: 21 Sites Monitored: 0 Acres Treated: 92 Sites Treated: 13 Acres Restored: 0

HWA Inches Treated: 2,940

Volunteer Hours: 58 Volunteers: 29

Meetings, Presentations, or Trainings:

7/8: Host baby's breath workbee - 4 volunteers

• 7/9: Plant It Wild Garden Walk event - 22 impressions

• 7/12: ISN Board meeting

• 7/12: Attend partner aquatic botanizing event

• 7/12 - 7/13: Attend MISC CISMA field trip conference in Marquette

7/18: HWA Outreach meeting

• 7/18: HWA discovered across M-22 from Crystal Downs

7/20: HWA discovered in Crystal Downs outside of current treatment area

• 7/22: Host baby's breath workbee - 11 volunteers

• 7/24: Attend autumn olive management meeting in Leelanau County

• 7/25: Host baby's breath workbee - 10 volunteers

• 7/26: HWA discovered at new association in Frankfort

• 7/31: Attend CISMA listening session

Treatments, Restoration, and Surveys:

- Slender False Brome Surveys
 - o Sites: 2
 - o Acres: 20
- HWA Treatments (tree treatments are measured by how many inches of diameter at breast height [DBH] treated)
 - o Sites: 1
 - o Inches Treated: 2,940 (lower than usual, but as work finishes up on the hill, crews spend more time trying to find missed trees, which results in a slower work day)
- Baby's breath:
 - o Sites: 6
 - o Acres: 76
 - 13 acres were treated by volunteers on Elberta Beach!
- Invasive knotweed
 - o Sites: 3
 - o Acres: 10

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- Invasive bittersweet
 - o Sites: 4
 - o Acres: 6

Stats, Other Accomplishments, and News:

- ISN website unique visits: 2,955
- YouTube: 1,885
- ISN IG reach: 4,260
- ISN FB reach: 7,770
- *GBB* FB reach: 1,053
- *GBB* IG reach: 433
- GBB website unique visits: 80
- Grant updates:
 - o Sleeping Bear Dunes slender false brome GLRI grant put in place
 - o \$25,000, five-year native seed collection grant awarded
- Events are being added to the website when confirmed. <u>Check-in</u> to see what we have planned!
- ISN in the news:
 - HWA quarantine expansion
 - Manistee News Advocate
 - Yahoo/Record Eagle
 - Autumn olive press release/feature
 - Manistee News Advocate
 - Leelanau Enterprise feature article
- *GBB*-specific news:
 - o CAKE CISMA added as a GBB hub on the website
 - One new Gold Level community participant
 - o One state-wide *GBB* community participant
 - o New website is up! This is for hubs to utilize. Check it out!