

WNY PRISM Spring Partner Meeting

Tifft Nature Preserve
Thursday, April 6, 2017
1:00 – 3:00 pm



Agenda

- 1:00 – Outreach Materials
- 1:10 – Welcome & Partner Updates
- 1:25 – WNY PRISM Report
- 2:10 – Habitat Suitability
- 2:30 – Erie County Presentation



PRISM News & Updates

- 2016 Annual Report has been released
- Currently hiring E&O Assistant (1) and Invasive Species Management Assistants (2 or 3)
- Submitted no-cost extension/budget modification to DEC, to continue work in 2018
- Research – UAV, Boot Brush Stations
- Website updates
- Outreach/Display 'Kits'
- Fall Partner Meeting – **Thursday, October 5, 2017**; Time/Location TBA

Brachypodium Working Group

- Submitted grant application to GLRI-EPA
- Survey Interns
 - Hosted by College at Brockport and NYS Parks to survey Genesee and Tompkins Counties
 - Surveys, Outreach
- DEC Webpage: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/108686.html>
 - Resources: Fact Sheet, links, ID
- GLES Student Intern



2017 Work Plan

- Available at our website www.wnyprism.org/about/news
- Partner/Network Coordination
 - Continue efforts towards growing network and providing support, and maintain office operations
- Information Management
 - Create a 'watch list' of approaching region species, improve BMP recommendations for species specific efforts, update website as needed, continue iMapInvasives initiatives, continue work on identifying research needs
 - **Looking for past projects for which PRISM can provide follow-up monitoring**
- Education & Outreach
 - Continue efforts, development of municipalities online toolkit, bulletin board/library displays

2017 Work Plan

- Prevention
 - Boot Brush Station Project, ID Pathways of Invasion for priority species and associated BMPs,
- Early Detection and Rapid Response
 - Coordinate with Partners on ED site monitoring for priority species, promote ED reporting protocol, develop RR protocol (1) & template (1) for terrestrial plant priority species, support HWA survey efforts, coordinate *Brachypodium* Working Group,
- Management and Habitat Restoration
 - Continue to work with Partners on priority efforts, increase PRISM capacity for IS removal, assist with development of management plans
- Additional Elements

Crew Projects/Summer Schedule


- Crew works June 1 – August 31, 2017 (~13 weeks)
- WNY PRISM Projects
 - Early Detection Site Monitoring
 - Outreach
 - ISAW
 - IS Surveys
 - Ongoing commitments
 - Training
- Partner Requests
 - 19 requests from 13 Partners
 - But, only 5 counties
 - IS removal, mapping, habitat restoration, outreach events

Invasive Species Awareness Week

- July 9 – 15, 2017
- Invasive Species Reality Check: Where Are We & Where Do We Need To Go.
- www.stoptheinvasionny.com
- Resources
 - Call for Events
 - Opening Statement & Cover Slide
 - ISAW FAQ/Fact Sheet
 - Social Media Guidelines
- WNY PRISM
 - Events, Resources



Upcoming Meetings & Events



Buff State Arbor Day
Celebration
April 20, 11am – 2pm

- “Fragile Forests: Globalization, Our Changing Planet, and the Future of Our Wooded Spaces”
 - Wednesday, April 19, 6pm; Saint Bonaventure Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts
- GLAA Meetings
 - Lake Erie Work Group – Wednesday, April 26, 1-4pm; Reinstein Woods
 - SW Lake Ontario Work Group – Thursday, April 27, 9am – noon; Tinker Nature Park
- iMapInvasives Training
 - Saturday, May 6, 10am; Grand Island Memorial Library
- “Planning, Funding, and Executing Public Projects: A Discussion with Government Agencies and Community Groups about Silver Lake, NY”
 - Saturday, May 13, 9-10 am; Club at Silver Lake

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Eastern Lake Ontario Invasive Species Symposium
 - Thursday, Wednesday, June 7, 2017 – Selkirk Shores State Park
- 4th Annual Genesee River Basin Summit
 - Thursday, June 15, 2017, 8:00 – 4:30pm – RIT Campus
- 3rd Annual NYS Integrated Pest Management Conference
 - July 13, 2017, 8:30 – 4:30; Siena College, Albany, NY
 - Looking for Outreach Table/Displays
- Management Summit – LH PRISM
 - Friday, November 3, 2017; NY Botanical Garden

New York State Updates



- Comprehensive Management Plan
 - Contract has been awarded, but not executed
 - Kick-off meeting tomorrow with DAM, Parks, DEC
- ISRRC Grant
 - Received 40 applications, beginning review process
- E&O Plan
 - Finalized 2016
 - 6 Objectives
 - Target User Groups
 - Statewide Outreach Products
 - IS Curriculum – focus on 6-8 grades
 - Integrate IS topics into College/University Courses
 - Citizen Science – expected RFP/Contract
 - Increase Resources for ISAW

New York State Updates



- PRISM Contracts
 - LIISMA & CRISP have executed 5 year contracts
 - LH, CAP-MO, WNY & FL PRISMs are upcoming
- Croton River Hydrilla
 - 21 sites covered under contract/project (27 sites statewide)
 - ISCS Intern
 - Expect treatment this year

Statewide PRISM Updates

- AIPPP
 - Developed Communications & Marketing Strategy
 - Partnered with NASA on intern project using satellites to map hemlock in portion of Adirondacks and Tug Hill – video available
 - Using UAV to track known infestations of phragmites
- CAP-MO
 - Developed Native Plant Resources Brochure
 - Received funds from USFS to hire a seasonal AIS Coordinator (April – Nov)
- CRISP
 - Executed Contract with DEC
 - Developed Priority Species Lists – Terrestrial & Aquatic
 - Working with landowners on knotweed removal
 - Released paper on conservation value of hemlocks

Statewide PRISM Updates

- FL-PRISM
 - Managing multiple grants –Finger Lakes Nat'l Forest, Ganondagan Restoration, Aurora Hydrilla, Giant Hogweed, and Water Chestnut
 - Submitted grant application to GLRI-EPA for Starry Stonewort Collaborative
- LIISMA
 - Joanne Klein is the new Coordinator, currently hiring for an E&O Coordinator
- LH-PRISM
 - Funded projects include expanded boat launch program (6 launches), blockbuster surveys, *Salvia glutinosa*, *Corydalis incisa*, *Arum italicum*
- SLELO
 - Beginning cultural impact study
 - Lake Ontario/High Risk Shipping Ports Harbors Initiative

Invasive Species Research Institute



- Research Priorities
 - 6 categories – General/Other, AIS, Biocontrols, IS Impacts, Climate Change, Perception of IS
 - Tentative/Selected Priorities
 - Impacts of Climate Change on IS, Metric Development: Area Protected from IS, Hemlock Woolly Adelgid, Biocontrol for Knotweeds & Swallow-worts, Bait Surveys, Brachypodium, PCR/eDNA
- Northeast Regional Invasive Species & Climate Change Management Symposium
 - July 27 & 28, 2017
- Monthly Webinar Series – accepting suggestions for topics/presenters
- Previous webinars are available at www.nyisri.org

iMapInvasives

- iMap version 3
 - Contract is in progress
- Including boat launch data
- Spring Training Blitz
 - Full-day trainings in each PRISM
- Water Chestnut Chasers
 - Looking for participation – July/ISAW
- Defining Invasive Species – Statewide Tier System
- Prioritization Model
 - ISRI Hiring post-doctoral research associate to advance project

