

WNY PRISM Spring Partner Meeting



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Agenda

Introductions & Updates

- Housekeeping
- Partner Introductions

Presentations

- WNY PRISM – Andrea Locke
- Niagara Gorge Restoration Project – Dave Spiering

Site Tour

Niagara Gorge Site Tour will begin after Dave Spiering's Presentation, at ~2:30.

Interested people will caravan to the site, ~10 minutes



Early Detection Program



WNY PRISM Early Detection Priorities

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| • <i>Anoplophora glabripennis</i> | Asian Longhorned Beetle |
| • <i>Brachypodium sylvaticum</i> | Slender False Brome |
| • <i>Channa argus</i> | Northern Snakehead |
| • <i>Eichhornia crassipes</i> | Water Hyacinth |
| • <i>Hypophthalmichthys molitrix</i> | Silver Carp |
| • <i>Hypophthalmichthys nobilis</i> | Bighead Carp |
| • <i>Microstegium vimineum</i> | Japanese Stiltgrass |
| • <i>Persicaria perfoliata</i> | Mile-a-Minute Vine |
| • <i>Pistia stratiotes</i> | Water Lettuce |



Early Detection Reporting Protocol

Released in 2016, the WNY PRISM Early Detection Reporting Protocol is designed to make reporting quicker and easier.



Reporting Protocol

- Infestation Discovered
 - Observer should employ due diligence to properly ID species
- Document Infestation
 - Size, Location, Photos, Contact Information
- Upload Infestation Data into iMapInvasives
 - If unable, may report directly to WNY PRISM
- Confirmation of Identification
 - Submit to WNY PRISM w/ subject line "Early Detection Report"

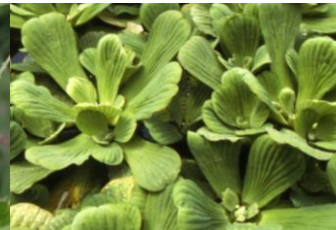
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2017 Reports

- 1 Water Hyacinth
- 1 Mile-A-Minute
- 1 Japanese Stiltgrass
- 1 Water Lettuce
- 4 Slender False Brome

2018 Monitoring Sites

- 12 sites
 - 7 Water Hyacinth
 - 1 Japanese Stiltgrass
 - 2 Mile-A-Minute
 - 2 Water Lettuce
- Slender False Brome Sites



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Japanese Stiltgrass Response

- East Aurora infestation reported to WNY PRISM in 2017
- Post Cards – late-May or early June
- Surveys

Japanese stiltgrass is an invasive species, recently found near you. It spreads rapidly, resulting in loss of wildlife habitat and native plant communities.

 Silver mid-rib

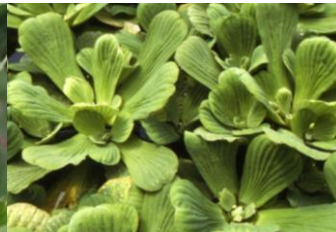
Japanese stiltgrass leaves are pale green with a distinctive, off-center, silver mid-rib.

Help Stop the Spread!

Look for **Japanese stiltgrass**. If you find it, report it!
Contact WNY PRISM at wnyprism@buffalostate.edu or 716-878-4708.

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Great Lakes Slender False Brome Working Group



- Boot Brush Stations:
 - 7 will be constructed this summer
- Education & Outreach:
 - Webpages & ID fact sheet (In Progress)
 - Bergen Town board meeting and newsletter article
 - Bergen Swamp Meet and Greet
- Seasonal Interns:
 - 3 Survey, 1 GIS/Outreach
- Management Studies:
 - Testing 4 removal methods
 - Locations: Genesee County Park & Forest and Letchworth State Park, working alongside current Bergen Swamp research



Crew Assistance Program

9 Committed/Ongoing Projects

- Niagara Escarpment Preserve
- Kenneglenn Scenic and Nature Preserve
- Bergen Swamp
- North Tonawanda Audubon Preserve
- Seneca Bluffs Natural Habitat Park
- Tifft Nature Preserve
- GLSFB Working Group
- Audubon Community Nature Center
- Hydrilla Demonstration Project

• 14 New Project Requests

• 7 Partners

• 9 Projects selected

- Niagara County Knotweed Project
- College Lodge
- Conewango Wetland Preserve
- Woodlawn Beach State Park
- Hunter's Creek
- Erie County SWCD streambank projects (2)
- Owen's Falls
- Evangola State Park

