WNY PRISM 2020 Annual Work Plan



Partnering to Protect Western New York from Invasive Species

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Abbreviation	ns
BMP	Best Management Practices
CAP	Crew Assistance Program
CCE	Cornell Cooperative Extension
DEC	New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
ED	Early Detection
іМар	iMapInvasives
IS	Invasive Species
Mgt	Management
Mtg(s)	Meeting(s)
NYISRI	New York Invasive Species Research Institute
SC	Steering Committee
Website	www.wnyprism.org
WG	Working Groups
WIP	WNY PRISM Watercraft Inspection Program
WISPA	Watercraft Inspection Steward Program App

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Strategic Plan Goals (from WNY PRISM Strategic Plan 2019-2023)

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Establish WNY PRISM as the leading resource for invasive species management information and strategic planning. Ensure information is current, accurate, regionally appropriate and easy to access, and provide opportunities for improved data collection and partner collaboration.

Education and Outreach

Increase public and partner awareness, understanding and participation in meaningful and effective invasive species management activities.

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Prevent the introduction of invasive species to the WNY PRISM region, limit the spread of invasive species within the region and limit the movement of invasive species established in WNY PRISM to other regions.

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Develop an effective early detection program and associated protocols that provides for reporting, assessment and response efforts.

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Assist with management planning and project implementation focused on long-term, sustainable projects that provide resilience against future invasions and provide improved ecosystem function and services. Supported efforts will be based on WNY PRISM identified priorities through primarily technical assistance and training, with project implementation assistance when capacity allows.

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Objective	Actions Planned	Lead	Frequency	Notes
A. Provide effective communication	Clarify roles and responsiblities for WNY PRISM and partners - post			
structure for the sharing of information and	definitions and criteria online.	AL, ET	Q1	
resources.	Coordinate Steering Committee Meetings (4).	AL	Quarterly	
			April/	
	Coordinate Partner Meetings (2).	ET	October	
	Attend WNY Forest Pest Task Force Meetings, as available.	LN, ET, AL	Monthly	
	Maintain WNY PRISM Listserv - distribute information and provide			
	opportunity for feedback.	ET	Ongoing	
	Re-establish Working Groups (Terrestrial, Aquatic, Education and		Q1/As	
	Outreach) and hold meetings as needed/appropriate	AL, KK, ET	Needed	
	Ensure website provides easy/intuitive access to resources.	ET	Ongoing	
B. Ensure WNY PRISM maintains ability to		LN, KK, ET,		
successfully implement the strategic plan	Update seasonal job descriptions, recruit, and hire seasonal staff.	AL	Q1	
and address established priorities.	Develop employee handbook for seasonal staff.	ET	Q2	
	Promote Intern Program.	AL, CP	Q1/Q3	
	Provide opportunities for professional develoment for full-time staff.	AL	Ongoing	
	Develop 2021 Annual Work Plan	AL	Q4	
	Identify baseline metrics for tracking WNY PRISM growth and success			
	in 2020.	AL, ET	Q1	
	Complete all required grant reporting.	AL	Ongoing	
C. Support priority projects and collaborative	Identify potential new partners and provide informational packets			
efforts through facilitation and increased	ahead of fall partner meeting (15)	ET, AL	Q3	
involvement of new and established	Establish and coordinate Water Chestnut Working Group to address		Q1/As	
partners.	surveys and removal efforts in the Southern Tier.	KK, AL	Needed	
	Identify means of contacting recreation groups; develop contacts list			
	and prefered timing.	BH, KK	Q2	

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D. Increase awareness of and promote WNY	Produce WNY PRISM informational banner.	ET	Q1	
PRISM services and achievements among				
partners and the general public.	Identify additional outreach and marketing materials needs aimed at			
	increasing awareness of WNY PRISM and WNY PRISM resources.	ET, AL, WG	Q1	
	Encourage partners to provide links to WNY PRISM resources within			
	websites and social media efforts.	ET, WG	Ongoing	
	Produce Annual Report.	AL	Q1	
I	Develop language and other resources for partners promoting WNY			
	PRISM.	AL	Q3	
E. Build regional capacity for invasive species				
management efforts and priority projects.	Distribute grant/funding opportunities through WNY PRISM Listserv.	ET	As needed	
	Expand grant development and writing toolkit to include updated			
	grant opportunities document, regional management plan resources			
	and opportunities for professional development.	AL, ET	Q2	
	Provide Letters of Support to partners for projects addressing WNY			
	PRISM goals and priorities.	AL	As needed	
	Develop list of WNY PRISM and partner resources, supplies and			
	equipment available for sharing within region.	ET, AL, WG	Q4	
	Identify funding to support enhancement of WNY PRISM efforts and			
	to increase capacity for new projects.	AL	Ongoing	
F. Work with New York State Invasive Species	Attend NYS PRISM Leader's Meetings and Monthly Webinars -		Quarterly/	
Program partners and broader Great Lakes	facilitate meeting.	AL	Monthly	
and Eastern United States programs on			Semi-	
shared priorities.	Participate as Great Lakes Phragmites Collaborative Advisory		annual/Ong	
	Committee Member and provide requested input and feedback.	AL	oing	
	Participate in species collaboratives, as identified.	AL, KK, BH	Ongoing	
	Provide feedback and guidance for NYS regulatory updates and/or			
	new proposals, based on regional input.	AL	Ongoing	
	Attend 2020 NYS Invasive Species Conference.	All Staff	Quarter 4	

Information Management

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A. Maintain clearly defined regional invasive	Develop regional tier rankings for an additional 50 species. update			
species and conservation target priorities.	website (profiles and ranking document), and distribute through			
	Listserv.	AL, WG	Q2	
	Update invasive species profiles and ranking document (website) and			
	distribute information through Listserv.	AL, ET	Q4	
B. Identify means of improving information	Implement identified improvements for information sharing through			
sharing and dissemination and implement	Listserv and social media.	ET, AL	Ongoing	
changes across multiple platforms.	Include distribution maps in invasive species profiles.	ET	Q1	
	Continue efforts to update website based on 2019 assessment.	ET	Ongoing	
C. Encourage use of effective data collection,			Crigoriig	
management and monitoring strategies	and prioritize development.	AL, All	Q1	
based on demonstrated Best Management	Develop internal protocols for data quality assurance	BH	Q1	
Practices and lessons learned; provide	Select priority data collection protocols and develop.	LN, BH	Q2	
training and professional development	Hold iMapInvasives Workshop.	ET, AL	Q2	
opportunities for the region.		,		
a programme and the second second	Identify information and formatting needs for development of		Q1/	
	regional invasive species project database, begin development.	LN, BH	Ongoing	
D. Identify research and information needs	Encourage partners to provide information and research needs to			
to improve effective invasive species	WNY PRISM and to particpate in NYISRI requests.	AL	Ongoing	
management efforts and collaborate with	Coordinate with NYISRI to provide requested input and feedback, in			
the New York Invasive Species Research	the format provided by NYISRI.	AL	Q4	
Institute to address them.				
E. Support and promote use of				
iMapInvasives as the primary database for	Hold annual iMap and invasive species identification workshop.	ET, AL	Q2	
invasive species management information	Provide all WNY PRISM survey data to iMap, confirm data within			
and species presence and distribution data	calendar year.	LN, BH	Ongoing	
sharing.	Identify data gaps (minimum 3) and address through use of Crew,			
	additional staff, outreach and/or volunteers.	LN, ET	Q1/Q2/Q3	

Education and Outreach

GOAL: Increase public and partner awareness, understanding, and participation in meaningful and effective invasive species management activities.

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A. Provide educational programming that is	Develop and implement Rails-to-Trails volunteer mapping and			
science-based and encourages improved	removal program in partnership with Town of Tonawanda.	ET, AL	Q1, Q2	
management actions through use of	Develop experiential learning program that includes behavior change			
behavior change strategies.	strategies for WNY area Girl and Boy Scouts.	ET	Q4	
	Include behavior change strategies in WNY PRISM outreach,			
	presentations and workshops.	All	Ongoing	
B. Provide resources and programming to				
address invasive species management	Assess previous WNY PRISM held trainings and workshops, identify			
training needs.	lessons learned and incorporate into future workshop planning.	ET	Q1	
	Develop annual training program for Master Gardeners/Tipline			
	Volunteers, provide training.	ET, AL, CCE	Q2	
	Hold Aquatic Invasive Species Workshop.	KK, ET, AL	Q3	
	Hold Terrestrial Invasive Species Workshop.	ET, AL	Q3	
	Update WNY Educational Programming Document - internal.	ET, E&O	Q3	
C. Ensure availability of education and	For each of WNY's major colleges and universities, identify professors			
outreach materials to meet prioritized	that teach invasives species as part of coursework.	ET	Q1	
regional needs.				
	Develop invasive species lesson plans and/or materials for colleges			
	and universities and reach out to identified professors.	CP, ET	Q3	
	Hold Education and Outreach Working Group Meetings.	ET	Quarterly	
	Assess WNY PRISM Lending Library, identify needs and/or			
	improvements and develop plan for implementation.	ET, E&O	Q2/Q3	
D. Provide for community engagement and	Attend outreach events, at least 1 in each WNY PRISM County and			
learning opportunities through outreach, use	including 8 Farmers' Markets.	ET, E&O	Ongoing	
of social media and volunteerism.	Work with partners to assist with event planning and provide			
	presentations for partner events, as appropriate. Minimum 10			
	presentations in support of partner efforts.	AL, ET	Ongoing	
	Track number of volunteers trained and hours contributed toward			
	WNY PRISM efforts.	ET, All	Ongoing	
	Produce annual social media assessment/report.	ET	Q4	

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D. Continued	Assess WNY PRISM outreach display and materials, update as			
	needed.	ET, E&O	Q2	
	Maintain WNY Invasive Species Events Calendar and promote use			
	among partners.	ET	Ongoing	
E. Maintain WNY PRISM website as an	Develop project page for Crew Assistance Program.	LN, ET	Q1	
effective outreach tool and information	Review and post draft invasive species profiles.	AL	Q1	
portal.	Update invasive species profiles to include relevant pathways of			
	invasion.	AL	Q2	
	Develop schedule for News/Blog Post for website and identify		Q1/	
	responsible staff - release posts.	ET, E&O	Ongoing	
	Ensure continued functionality of website (links, forms).	ET	Ongoing	
F. Develop Citizen/Community Science based	Develop trail mapping program including outreach, training materials			
programs to assist with data collection for	and data collection resources.	ET	Q4	
early detection and project monitoring, and	Develop site monitoring program to assist partners with post-			
maintenance of removal efforts.	treatment monitoring and management.	ET	Q4	
	Incorporate existing early detection citizen science programs into		Q1/	
	WNY PRISM education and outreach efforts.	ET	Ongoing	
G. Collaborate with statewide partners on	Coordinate regional efforts for NY ISAW (June 7-13) and attend			
unified education and outreach efforts and	planning meetings.	ET	Quarterly	
integrate WNY PRISM educational	Participate in DEC led Invasive Species Education and Outreach			
programming with partner programming to	Committee and associated workgroups.	ET	Ongoing	
ensure consistent invasive species messaging				
across the state and region.	Integrate messaging and program materials from national and			
	statewide campaigns (i.e. Play, Clean, Go) into WNY PRISM efforts.	ET	Ongoing	
H. Develop measures of success, encourage				
partners to use and to collect necessary data	Update Workshop/Training survey and provide for network use.	ET, WG	Q2	
and documentation to demonstrate	Work with statewide partners to develop metrics to measure	_		
effectiveness of educational programming.	effectiveness of behavior change efforts.	ET, AL	Ongoing.	
	Identify methods of measuring engagement across partner			
	organizations.	ET, WG	Q4	

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A. Maintain communication with partners on	Hold annual stakeholder meeting on emerging issues and provide			
emerging issues and ensure key stakeholders	information for seasonal/field staff.	AL, SC	Q2	
are informed on species and issues relevant	Develop resources to be provided to field staff, to assist with			
to their work.	understanding emerging issues and annual priorities.	AL, LN	Q4	
B. Support and implement spread prevention	Coordinate WNY PRISM Boot Brush Station Program - provide Boot			
efforts that focus on the identification and	Brush Stations (6) to partners.	ET, WG	Q1/Q2	
disruption of primary pathways of invasion				
associated with invasive species priorities.	Develop spread prevention language for contractors/contracts.	AL, SC	Q3	
	Include spread prevention messaging in education and outreach efforts.	AL, ET	Ongoing	
C. Develop protocols and resources that	Develop spread prevention protocols for WNY PRISM Crew and	,	- 0- 0	
encourage adoption of spread prevention	additional staff.	LN, BH	Q1	
	Prioritize and begin development of spread prevention resources	,	-	
the public and private sectors.	based on target audiences/user groups (i.e. contractors,			
	municipalities).	BH, ET, AL	Q2	
	Develop Pathways of Invasion Best Management Practices Guide.	AL, BH	Q3	
D. Maintain regional watchlist for	Maintain Approaching Region/Watchlist and communicate any			
approaching region species priorities and	changes to partners.	AL, SC, WG	Ongoing	
increase regional awareness and	Ensure invasive species profiles are developed for species added to			
understanding of potential and emerging	watchlist and posted within 2 weeks of update.	AL, ET	Ongoing	
threats.				
E. Expand upon the use of new technologies				
and methods to assist with the identification	Expand use of habitat suitability modeling as opportunity presents.	BH, INT	Ongoing	
of priority sites and species targets for				
prevention efforts and associated surveys and				
monitoring.				

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F. Successfully coordinate the WNY PRISM	Prioritize and select boat launches - determine staffing requirements			
Watercraft Inspection Program.	for individual launches.	KK	Q1	
	Communicate with boat launch partners, provide information as			
	requested and ensure positive working relationship.	KK	Ongoing	
	Coordinate training for WNY PRISM boat stewards and provide for			
	partners interested in attending.	KK	Q2	
	Collect data using DEC approved data collection tool (WISPA).	KK, WIS	Q2/Q3	
	Review data, ensure accuracy of data.	KK, LS	Q2/Q3/Q4	
	Review 2020 WIP and develop recommendations for 2021	KK, AL, DEC	Q4	
	Ensure adequate supplies and funcitonal equipment are available for			
	WIS	KK	Ongoing	

Early Detection and Rapid Response

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A. Coordinate early detection reporting,				
surveys, mapping, site assessments and	Finalize early detection site assessment protocol and instructions.	BH, LN	Q1	
communication among partners; encourage	Release and promote use of site assessment protocol.	AL, All	Q2	
use of standardized protocols.				
	Promote use of WNY PRISM eary detection reporting protocol.	AL, All	Ongoing	
	Communicate early detection reports and expansion of established			
	species to partners.	AL, ET	Ongoing	
	Assist with confirmation of reported early detections as capacity			
	allows - engage partners and volunteers.	LN, ET, All	Ongoing	
	Hold Hemlock Woolly Adelgid Survey Training and Survey at Chestnut			
	Ridge Park, in partnership with CCE - Erie County, WNY Forest Pest			
	Task Force and NY Hemlock Initiative.	ET	Q1	
	Coordinate WNY PRISM efforts with statewide programs (i.e. NY			
	Hemlock Initiative, Spotted Lanternfly)	AL, ET	Ongoing	
B. Develop a framework for regional	Develop regional rapid response protocol (flow chart/ decision tree)			
response to new invasive species and	to serve as framework for response activities.	AL, BH	Q3	
infestations.	Continue to facilitate Great Lakes Slender False Brome Working			
	Group.	ВН	Ongoing	
	Continue to facilitate Mile-a-Minute Working Group.	AL, BH	Ongoing	
C. Maintain early detection and approaching				
region (watchlist) priority species lists.	Provide priority ranking for each new species confirmed and assess			
	for inclusion on early detection priority list - update list as needed.	AL, WG, SC	Ongoing	
		AL, WG,		
	Conduct annual assessment of priority lists and update as needed.	SC, All	Q4	
	Ensure partners are familiar with established priorities -			
	communicate changes to lists and provide resources for identification			
	and management.	AL, ET	Ongoing	

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D. Maintain early detection site monitoring	Update internal data organization system for early detection site			
list and conduct site monitoring based on	monitoring, to better track increasing amount of data.	BH, LN	Q1	
established protocols and in collaboration	Update early detection site monitoring list and identify entity			
with identified partners.	responsible for each site.	LN, BH	Q1	
	Complete site monitoring for all active sites identified for WNY			
	PRISM, update site monitoring protocol.	LN, Crew	Q2/Q3	
	Assess areas surrounding new and existing early detection sites, and			
	prioritize areas to survey based on likelihood of spread.	LN	Q2/Q3	
E. Ensure availability of species information	Update and/or develop invasive species profiles for early detection	ET, E&O,		
and Best Management Practices for early	species.	AL	As Needed	
detection priority species.		ET, E&O,		
	Develop Best Management Fact Sheets for early detection species (2)	All	Q4	
	Provide updates on emerging issues and to provide resources for			
	training seasonal staff on priorities.	AL	Q2	
F. Assist with early detection management	Ensure WNY PRISM staff are properly trained to identify early			
and response efforts; provide technical	detection priority species and to use data collection protocols - assist			
assistance and provide project	partners with early detection efforts as capacity allows.	AL, All	Ongoing	
implementation assistance as appropriate	Prioritize early detection/rapid response efforts and assist parters			
and as capacity allows.	with removal efforts as capacity allows - ensure flexibility in Crew			
	schedule to allow for rapid response.	AL, LN	Ongoing	
	Assist with development of response plans on a site specific level.	AL, LN	As Needed	
	Continue to implement Japanese Stiltgrass Program - communicate			
	progress to partners and plan removal activities.	LN, BH, AL	Ongoing	
	Assist with mile-a-minute removal efforts as requested and capacity			
	allows.	LN, Crew	Q3	

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A. Provide partners with management plan				
development assistance and training.	Provide assistance for development and/or review of management			
	plans, encourage inclusion of long-term planning.	AL	Ongoing	
	Develop resources for management plan development assistance -			
	checklist for common errors.	AL	Q3	
	Hold workshop for prioritization and management plan development.	AL, ET	Q4	
B. Provide Best Management Practices for	Prioritize species and management groups for BMP and technical			
invasive species removal, site management	guide development.	AL, LN, ET	Q1	
and restoration; include guidance for	Develop Best Management Practices fact sheets for identified species	AL, ET,		
improving resiliency against the	and/or management groups (3).	Crew	Q2/Q3	
reestablishment of invasive species.	Develop Technical Guide for identified species (1).	LN, AL	Q3	
	Begin development of native plant/restoration guidelines - identify			
	needs and prioritize.	AL, WG	Q4	
C. Provide opportunities for professional		AL, WG,		
development including opportunities for	Identify needs and opportunities for professional development.	SC, All	Q1/Q2	
information sharing, sharing knowledge and	Hold WNY PRISM Adaptative Management/Lesson Learned			
expertise, and discussions of lessons learned.	Symposium.	ET, AL	Q4	
	Provide for opportunity to work with WNY PRISM Crew to gain			
	experience implementing invasive species removal.	LN, AL	Q2/Q3	
D. Coordinate Crew Assistance Program	Review CAP proposals for consistency with WNY PRISM criteria,			
based on clearly defined criteria for project	provide proposals to Steering Committee for review.	LN, AL	Q1	
selection and prioritization.	Review, rank and select CAP proposals for inclusion on 2020			
	schedule.	SC, AL, LN	Q1	
	Secure necessary permissions and MOU's for selected CAP projects			
	and develop work schedule.	LN, AL	Q2	
	Provide Crew with necessary training and equipment to assist with			
	removal efforts, including pesticide training.	LN	Q2	
	Implement CAP projects.	LN, Crew	Q2/Q3	

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D. Continued				
	Collect data from CAP projects, organize and produce annual report.	LN, Crew	Q2/Q3/Q4	
	Provide work summaries to partners for CAP projects within 1 month			
	of project completion.	LN, Crew	Q2/Q3/Q4	
	Assess 2020 CAP program including criteria, make appropriate			
	updates and develop 2021 CAP program for release on December 1,			
	2021.	LN	Q3/Q4	
E. Implement projects to help determine				
effectiveness of new tools, technology and	Identify opportunities to demonstrate the use of drones, develop			
methods of invasive species control as	protocol for use (1) and implement demonstration project (1).	BH, LN	Q2/Q3/Q4	
opportunity and need arise.	Identify opportunities to test use of non-chemical and non-soil			
	disrupting methods of species removal.	AL	Ongoing	
F. Assist with invasive species removal	Provide continued support for ongoing management and habitat			
efforts in accordance with set priorities and	restoration projects, as previously identified.	LN, Crew	Ongoing	
habitat restoration efforts through support	Ensure all necessary regulatory permits to conduct WNY PRISM	LN, AL, BH,		
for development and improved availability of	stewardship activities have been obtained.	KK	Ongoing	
native plant materials.	Support partner efforts to identify and develop new sources of native			
	plant materials.	AL	Ongoing	
	Facilitate Water Chestnut Working Group Meetings.	KK, AL	Quarterly	
	Identify projects in need of follow-up in 2021, determine mgt. needs			
	and further determine responsible partner based on WNY PRISM and			
	partner capacity and previously agreed upon terms, if relevant.	LN, AL	Q4	
G. Establish pre-treatment data collection	Develop data collection protocols for the collection of pre-treatment			
and post-treatment monitoring protocols to	and treatment data.	LN, BH	Q3	
allow for improved analysis of management	Develop data collection protocols for the collection of post-			
efficacy and further development of BMPs	treatment/monitoring data.	LN, BH	Q3	
for successful projects.	Provide protocols to partners and promote use.	AL	Q4	