

RRIP-IT-UP Second Annual UP-Wide Conference on Invasive Plants: Pieces of the Management Puzzle

Marquette Masonic Center
November 10, 2011

AGENDA

- 9:00 Coffee and Networking
- 9:30 Welcome
- 9:45 Keynote Address: Invasive Plant Management in the Upper Midwest: RRIP-IT-UP's Role in the Big Picture - *Kate Howe, Midwest Invasive Plant Network (MIPN) Coordinator, Purdue University*
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 Yes - You Do Need A Permit! Navigating the DEQ Permitting Process – *John Gustafson, Environmental Quality Analyst, MDEQ Water Resources Division*
- 11:15 Using Native Plants as a Management Tool to Combat Invasive Plants – *Vern Stephens, MDNR Private Lands Office, Wildlife Division*
- 12:00 Lunch/Networking
- Afternoon Concurrent Sessions (please register for one in each time slot)**
- 1:00 1) Best Management Practices for Treating and Restoring Japanese Knotweed and Autumn Olive Infestations - *Vern Stephens, MDNR Private Lands Office, Wildlife Division*
or
2) Buckthorn, Barberry and Honeysuckle: Control Methods – *Ian Shackelford, Botanist and Noxious Weed Specialist, Ottawa National Forest*
- 1:45 1) Lessons from A Landowner Cost-Share Program to Control Invasive Phragmites in Northeast Lower Michigan – *Brad Jensen, Executive Director, Huron Pines Resource Conservation & Development Council*
or
2) Perseverance: Invasive Plant Control and Restoration at the Ives Road Fen Preserve – *Chris May, Director of Stewardship, The Nature Conservancy in Michigan*
- 2:30 Break
- 2:45 The National Park Service Exotic Plant Management Program: Partnering Across Jurisdictional Boundaries in Upper Great Lakes Parks – *Carmen Chapin, Great Lakes Exotic Plant Management Team*
- 3:30 Adjourn – Have a Safe Trip Home

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