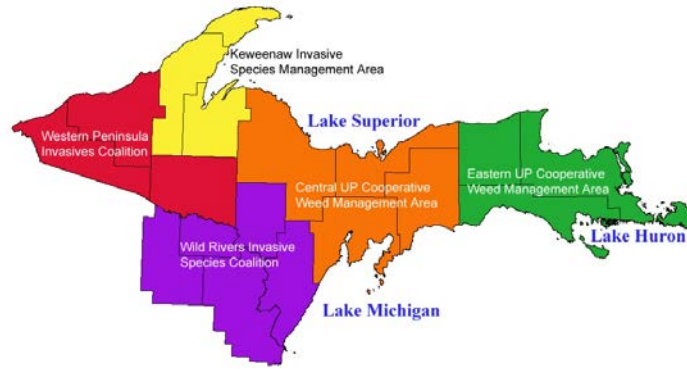


# RRIP IT UP Third Annual Northern Great Lakes Conference: A United Front against Invasive Species



**Marquette Masonic Center  
October 16, 2012**

## AGENDA

- 9:00 Coffee and Networking
- 9:30 Welcome
- 9:45 Keynote Address: An Overview of Just How Far We've Come in the Battle against Invasives  
*Jan Schultz, USFS Non-native Invasive Species & Special Forest Products Program Leader*
- 10:15 Break
- Morning Concurrent Sessions**
- 10:30 The New MIPN Control Database: How It Can Improve Invasive Species Management (Banquet Room)  
*Brendon Panke, Associate Research Specialist, University of Wisconsin-Madison*
- or**
- The Story of Sooper Yooper: From Concept to Classroom (Green Room)  
*Mark Newman, Author, Sooper Yooper: Environmental Defender*
- 11:15 Results Oriented Volunteer Recruiting (Banquet Room)  
*Jason Frenzel, Stewardship Coordinator, Huron River Watershed Council*
- or**
- MISIN Stakeholder Update: Improvements to Data Collection and Data Access (Green Room)  
*Amos Zeigler, Research Specialist, Michigan State University*
- 12:00 Lunch/Networking
- Afternoon Concurrent Sessions**
- 1:00 More ID and Control Methods: Phragmites, Leafy Spurge, Wild Parsnip, Coltsfoot (Banquet Room)  
*Vern Stephens, MDNR Private Lands Office, Wildlife Division;*  
Eurasian Water-milfoil  
*Ann Hruska, District Administrator/ Project Manager, Dickinson Conservation District*
- or**
- Discussion Panel on Invasive Plant Management Partnerships: Sharing Experiences and Resources (Green Room)  
*Robin Christensen, Grand Traverse Regional Invasive Species Network*  
*Kari Hagenow, Door County Invasive Species Team*  
*Jennifer Mulladore, Huron Pines*  
*Darcy Rutkowski, Upper Peninsula Resource Conservation and Development Council*  
*Marilyn Shy, Natural Resources Conservation Service*  
*Melissa Simpson, Wild Rivers Invasive Species Coalition*
- 2:30 Break
- 2:45 Strategizing for the Future - Where Do We Go From Here?  
*Phyllis Higman, Botanist, Michigan Natural Features Inventory*
- 3:30 Adjourn – Have a Safe Trip Home