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Greetings Conference Participants:

On behalf of conference hosts, the Minnesota Invasive Species Advisory Council, Wisconsin Invasive Species Council, Invasive Plants Association of Wisconsin, and Midwest Invasive Plant Network, we welcome you to La Crosse for the 2016 Upper Midwest Invasive Species Conference!

Building to a fifth biennial conference from its genesis in Minnesota in 2008, UMISC has grown to be the largest invasive species conference in North America. It is considered to be the most comprehensive source of information for all terrestrial, aquatic, and forest health invasive species. Over three and a half days, experts from industry, federal, state, and tribal natural resource agencies, universities, local government units, lake associations, and citizen scientists will share their knowledge to help manage and minimize the impacts of invasive species across Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and beyond.

Renowned plenary speakers will share their insights and expertise from policy and risk assessment to adaptive evolution in a rapidly changing climate. Spanning six concurrent sessions most days, more than 260 presentations and posters will address the latest in integrated pest management, innovations in control techniques, policy, risk assessment, and outreach aimed at strengthening and improving invasive species management.

Almost 50 exhibitors of invasive species tools, services, and educational materials will be open throughout the conference. Join us in South Hall A to network and relax at our evening receptions and breaks. We are excited to offer several field trips to local invasive species management and research sites, and world-class facilities to showcase local management and the latest research. For the first time, a special workshop for Attorneys General of the Mississippi River Basin will be held in conjunction with the conference on Wednesday.

Our hope is that this conference will continue to educate and invigorate your efforts towards reducing the multi-billion-dollar-a-year impact of invasive species on our fisheries, agriculture, tourism and forestry industries, and our rich natural resource heritage.

Fall colors should be at their peak just in time to enjoy a scenic hike, bike ride, or paddle on the Mississippi River after learning about the latest tools and state-of-the-art techniques to improve invasive species management. Many dining options are steps away in the city’s downtown.

On behalf of the conference sponsors, executive committee, planning committees and everyone who has contributed to this event, we hope that you enjoy the conference and everything that the La Crosse area has to offer.

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# Conference Schedule At-a-Glance

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2016

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<td>3:00 pm–7:00 pm</td>
<td>Registration Opens at La Crosse Center; Exhibitor Move-in</td>
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<td>Workshop: Techniques for Better Communication† — Ballroom A</td>
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<td>BREAKFAST / MEET EXHIBITORS — South Hall A</td>
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<td>9:30 am–11:30 am</td>
<td>WELCOME PLENARY: Matt Miller, The Nature Conservancy; Iris Caldwell, Energy Resources Center, University of Illinois at Chicago; Anthony Ricciardi, Redpath Museum and School of Environment, McGill University — South Hall A</td>
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<td>1:15 pm –1:30 pm</td>
<td>NETWORKING LUNCH — South Hall A</td>
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<td>12:00 pm–5:00 pm</td>
<td>FIELD TRIPS (Note: Trip lengths vary)</td>
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<td>1:00 pm–2:40 pm</td>
<td>Inspection and Decontamination Policy, Protocols and Effective Data Management — Ballroom A</td>
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<td>How to Recruit and Manage Volunteers — South Hall B2</td>
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<td>Locally Led Efforts* — Ballroom A</td>
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<td>WELCOME RECEPTION AND AWARDS — Ballroom Foyer — West</td>
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<td>BREAKFAST — SOUTH HALL A</td>
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<td>Emerald Ash Borer Control And Management — Ballroom A</td>
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<td>Responsive Management Of Fish — Ballroom B</td>
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<td>Rapid Response and Eradication Case Studies from around the Great Lakes — Ballroom C</td>
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<td>BREAK / REFRESHMENTS — South Hall A</td>
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<td>&quot;New&quot; Invasive Plants Threatening Our Forests* — Ballroom A</td>
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<td>Industry Solutions for Better Aquatic Invasive Species Management — Ballroom B</td>
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<td>Locally Led Efforts and Organisms in Trade — Ballroom C</td>
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<td>11:50 am – 1:20 pm</td>
<td>Lunch Plenary: Roger Fish, Motivational Speaker; Hilary Smith, Invasive Species Coordinator; U.S. Department of the Interior – South Hall A</td>
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<td>Forest Ecosystem Connections and Invasive Plant Species</td>
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<td>Emerging Threats, Assessment and Management of Aquatic Invasive Species</td>
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<td>Mississippi River Basin Panel (MRBP) on Aquatic Nuisance Species</td>
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<td>New Developments in Phragmites (Common Reed)</td>
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<td>Oak, Wit, Deer, and Gypsy Moths</td>
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<td>11:40 am – 12:50 pm</td>
<td>Lunch (pre-order required separate from general conference registration)</td>
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<td>Workshop: ISM Track Training</td>
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**MIDWEST INVASIVE PLANT NETWORK**

The Midwest Invasive Plant Network’s mission is to reduce the impact of invasive plants in the Midwest. Our network brings together government agencies, nonprofit and for-profit corporations, scientists, and private citizens across the Midwest to collaborate on projects and share information on invasive plants. MIPN’s efforts are focused on providing education on invasive plants in the Midwest; promoting effective prevention methods and early detection of new invaders; providing information on recent research that is relevant to management of invasive species; supporting the growth and development of Cooperative Weed Management Areas; and connecting states within our region to each other and to invasive species organizations at a national level.

**MINNESOTA INVASIVE SPECIES ADVISORY COUNCIL**

The Minnesota Invasive Species Advisory Council (MISAC), a diverse group with a common interest in protecting Minnesota’s resources from invasive species, was initiated in 2001. It was formed in response to Presidential Executive Order 13112, the National Invasive Species Management Plan, and Minnesota Legislation. An Interagency Exotic Species Task Force formed in 1990, preceded the current state invasive species council. The purpose of MISAC is to provide coordination among member organizations to implement the Minnesota Statewide Invasive Species Management Plan. Activities include advocating for research, early detection and management for the species and pathways deemed greatest risk, coordinating outreach, recognizing outstanding work related to invasive species, supporting multi-state conferences, trainings and field visits, and maintaining the MISAC website to help members and the public locate invasive species resources. MISAC members number about 80 and represent over 30 organizations. The Council is led by three elected co-chairs, each representing a different member organization and serving a three-year term.

**INVASIVE PLANTS ASSOCIATION OF WISCONSIN**

The mission of the Invasive Plants Association of Wisconsin (IPAW) is to promote better stewardship of the natural resources of Wisconsin by advancing the understanding of invasive plants and encouraging the control of their spread. IPAW’s main goals in achieving this mission are geared toward being an umbrella organization for Cooperative Invasive Species Management Areas while creating an effective way in which to reach legislators to voice the concerns about invasive species control. The membership of IPAW is made up of concerned citizens, agronomists, horticulturalists, professors, state agencies, and businesses.

**WISCONSIN INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL**

The Wisconsin Legislature created the Wisconsin Invasive Species Council to assist the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources in establishing a statewide program to control invasive species. The Council meets quarterly to discuss invasive species program activity around the state, promotes invasive species management activities through an online calendar, and promotes Invasive Species Awareness Month every June.
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General Information

CONFERENCE LOCATION
All conference sessions, poster displays, lunches, receptions, and plenary presentations will be held at the La Crosse Center, 300 Harborview Plaza, La Crosse, WI 54601.

PARKING
There is a parking ramp across the street from the La Crosse Center that charges $1.00 per hour with a maximum charge of $6.00 per day. The first three hours are free. After 6pm the parking is free until 6am.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
Registration is located at the ground-level kiosk of the La Crosse Center. Registration will be open according to the schedule below. Limited on-site registration is available.

- Sunday, October 16, 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM
- Monday, October 17, 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- Tuesday, October 18, 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- Wednesday, October 19, 7:00 AM – 10:00 AM

SPEAKER PREPARATION ROOM
The speaker preparation room will be in Boardroom A on the 2nd floor. Laptops will be available for presentation upload in Boardroom A Sunday 3 pm–7 pm at the registration area. Speakers can practice their presentations in a quiet space during the following times:

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RESOURCE TABLES
Attendees and presenters are encouraged to provide complimentary invasive species publications and related materials for distribution on resources tables located in the registration area and exhibit hall.

POSTERS & EXHIBITS
Posters and Exhibits will be on display in South Hall A for the duration of the conference. Please see the list of exhibitors with organization descriptions on pages 36–39 for more information. Exhibitors will be available throughout the conference to answer questions about their products and services concerning invasive species prevention, identification, management, control, and restoration. Please be sure to stop by and visit them.

MESSAGE BOARD
A message board will be located at the entrance of South Hall A. Attendees are welcome to post job opportunities, networking opportunities, and other communications.

COMPLIMENTARY WIFI
Complimentary Wifi is available throughout the La Crosse Center. Password: WAMOWAMO

FOOD AND BEVERAGES
Coffee and teas will be offered each morning and at all breaks in South Hall A. A continental breakfast will be offered Monday morning from 8:00 – 9:30 AM; Tuesday 7:00 – 8:00 AM and Wednesday 7:00 – 8:30 AM.

A box lunch will be provided on Monday, October 17 in the foyer outside of South Hall A. On Monday evening there will be a Welcome Reception held in the Ballroom Foyer – West at the La Crosse Center. Heavy hors d’oeuvres will be served, and a cash bar will be available.

On Tuesday, October 18, a plated lunch will be served at the Plenary Luncheon in South Hall A. On Tuesday evening, a Poster Reception for all attendees will also be held in South Hall A. Light hors d’oeuvres and a cash bar will be offered.

Lunch on Wednesday, October 19 is provided for pre-orders. This lunch is separate from general conference registration.

GET SOCIAL!
Mix, mingle, and find new colleagues at receptions on Monday and Tuesday evening receptions.

The welcome reception in the Ballroom Foyer - West by the large river-view windows starts at 4:45 pm on Monday, October 17. This reception will feature an awards presentation in Ballroom C by the Minnesota Invasive Species Advisory Council and a slideshow of invasive species, as well as complimentary hors d’oeuvres and a cash bar.

The Tuesday Poster reception starts at 5 pm in South Hall A. Generous hors d’oeuvres and a cash bar will be available. Visit with exhibitors and get a stamp on your passport for each company or organization you spend at least 3 minutes with. If you get 15 stamps, you can enter your Exhibitor Passport into our raffle for great prizes! Exhibitor Passport Raffle prize winners will be announced toward the end of the Tuesday reception.

Share your experiences real-time with attendees on Twitter @UMISC2016 or our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/UMISC/
TELL ME A STORY: COMMUNICATING ABOUT INVASIVES IN THE INFORMATION AGE
Matt Miller, The Nature Conservancy

A recent Washington Post story proclaimed: “The answers to the world’s most pressing problems are buried in reports that no one reads.” Hyperbole? Perhaps. But the fact remains that reports, white papers and brochures are more likely to attract dust than your audience. At the same time, a growing number of readers are flocking to science blogs and online science content. They’re highly enthusiastic and eager to learn more about the invasives issue. But if you bore them: well, they’ll just go read something else. How do you tell your story in a way that connects to them? What makes messages stick? Matt Miller, director of science communications for The Nature Conservancy, will share the secrets of standing out in an age of information overload. He’ll break down successful stories, how to reach your intended audience and how to avoid common communications pitfalls. Along the way, he’ll share his own stories from the field. You’ll think about framing your own work in new ways—you’ll be conveying the science of your work and have fun doing so!

Matt Miller is director of science communications for The Nature Conservancy. He is responsible for telling the stories of the Conservancy’s research programs around the globe, including many invasive species outreach, detection and management projects. He is the editor and feature writer for the popular Cool Green Science blog and a regular columnist for Nature Conservancy Magazine. Matt previously worked for 11 years as the director of communications for the Conservancy’s Idaho Chapter, where he also served as the first chair of the Governor’s Idaho Weed Awareness Campaign. A graduate of Penn State, Matt brings 25 years experience in feature writing, blogging, media relations and media training. He has traveled to 6 continents in his search for unusual wildlife and good stories. An avid hunter, angler and naturalist, he lives in Boise, Idaho with his wife and young son.

FINDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR NATIVE HABITAT ALONG RIGHTS-OF-WAY
Iris Caldwell, P.E. Energy Resources Center (ERC), University of Illinois at Chicago

Last spring the White House released the National Strategy to Promote the Health of Honey Bees and Other Pollinators, which noted that beekeepers lost 40 percent of their honey bee colonies in 2014, monarch butterfly populations have declined by as much as 90 percent over the last two decades, and other severe declines have been observed in native bee populations. With increasing attention being given to these startling figures, a number of collaborative efforts have emerged to foster conservation activities in key sectors and support an “all-hands-on-deck” approach to habitat restoration. Working with industries in the utility and transportation sectors, the Energy Resources Center (ERC) at the University of Illinois-Chicago formed the Rights-of-Way as Habitat Working Group in March 2015 to focus attention on opportunities for utilizing native vegetation in rights-of-way to support pollinator conservation efforts. More than 100 organizations from across the U.S. have engaged in the
Iris Caldwell is a Research Engineer at the Energy Resources Center (ERC) located at the University of Illinois at Chicago, where she primarily works to engage the agricultural, transportation, and utility sectors on special projects such as pollinator habitat development. Over the past year, she has facilitated the Rights-of-Way as Habitat Working Group to promote habitat restoration along transportation and utility corridors. Prior to joining the ERC, Iris worked for more than eight years in industry, both as a manufacturing plant environmental engineer and as an environmental consultant. She has a strong background in environmental regulatory compliance, greenhouse gas accounting, carbon offset verifications, low-carbon fuel standards, and other environmental and sustainability reporting. Iris holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil – Environmental Engineering from Iowa State University and is a licensed professional engineer in the State of Illinois.

WHY BIOLOGICAL INVASIONS MATTER
Anthony Ricciardi, Redpath Museum and the School of Environment at McGill University

Driven by the movement of people and cargo across the planet, thousands of species of plants, animals and microbes are spreading into new regions faster and farther than at any other time in Earth’s history. These biological invasions can cause extinctions, disrupt ecosystems, alter natural resources, threaten human health, and even pose national security problems. In spite of these risks, there have appeared several recent opinion articles in the scientific literature and the popular media that downplay the impacts of invasions and, furthermore, question the scientific merit of attempting to prevent incursions of non-native species. Collectively, these articles claim that 1) modern invasions are nothing new, i.e. the magnitude and impacts of recent invasions are similar to those that have occurred prehistorically and, thus, the role of humans in the modern mass invasion event and concern over its consequences have been exaggerated; 2) with rare exceptions, non-native species are innocuous passengers rather than drivers of changes to biodiversity and ecosystem functioning; and 3) non-native species are no more likely than natives to cause undesirable impacts, and so the biogeographic origins of species are not relevant to conservation and resource management. However, each of these claims is refuted by empirical evidence from field surveys, experiments and meta-analyses. Examples from freshwater, terrestrial and marine studies demonstrate the importance of incorporating biogeographic origins and evolutionary context in the risk assessment of invasions.

Dr. Anthony Ricciardi is a professor in the Redpath Museum and the School of Environment at McGill University, and a McGill Trottier Fellow in Science and Public Policy. For over 20 years, his research has examined the causes and consequences of biological invasions in aquatic ecosystems. He is an editorial board member for the journal *Biological Invasions* and the journal *Diversity and Distributions*. For ten years, he served on the scientific committee of the Canadian Aquatic Invasive Species Network, a research group that examined the risks of invasion in Canada’s lakes, rivers and coastal waters. He and his students are currently working on projects in North America, Europe and South Africa that aim to predict the impacts of invasive aquatic invertebrates and fishes, using experimental and statistical approaches.
Collaboration and Innovation: Working at Multiple Scales to Manage Invasive Species

Hilary Smith
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United States Department of the Interior

The U.S. Department of Interior has been actively engaged in prevention, early detection and rapid response, control and management, and research related to invasive species for nearly 60 years. Current and emerging invasive species continue to threaten the ecological, economic, and cultural integrity of America’s landscapes. This presentation will: 1) Provide an overview of the Department and the importance of minimizing the risk and impacts of invasive species. 2) Describe various invasive species activities underway at the Department, such as landscape level invasive species initiatives; novel approaches for prevention, detection, and control; and, policy and planning actions. 3) Highlight early detection and rapid response efforts, including the Department’s role in developing the interdepartmental report, Safeguarding America’s Lands and Waters from Invasive Species: A National Framework for Early Detection and Rapid Response, released February 2016. The Department manages one-fifth of the country’s land area, 135,000 miles of coastline, 476 dams and 348 reservoirs, and 1.76 billion acres of the Outer Continental Shelf. It upholds the federal government’s trust responsibilities to 567 Indian tribes, supplies water to more than 30 million people, protects the icons of the country’s national heritage, and conserves fish, wildlife, and their habitats. The Department’s lands, facilities, and resources are vulnerable to biological invasions and can in turn be pathways and sources for invasive species introductions to both public and private lands.

Hilary Smith is the Invasive Species Coordinator for the U.S. Department of the Interior in Washington, D.C. She works closely with invasive species program leads within Interior’s bureaus and offices and coordinates Department-wide invasive species strategic action plans, policy initiatives, and working groups. Hilary previously worked for The Nature Conservancy directing an award-winning program to protect lands, waters, and local communities from invasive species in the six-million acre Adirondack Park in NY. Hilary received a M.S. in Biodiversity, Conservation, and Policy from the State University of NY in Albany and a B.A. in Biology from Hamilton College in Clinton, NY.

Tansy flower. Photo by Laura Van Riper, MN DNR.
It’s Your Attitude, It’s Your Day, Make It a Good One
Roger D. Fish, Motivational Speaker from La Crosse, WI

How important is your attitude at work? When communicating? Do your eyes, voice tone, and body language enhance or diminish your ability to convey your thoughts and lead a group to consensus or a decision? Are you a Team player? What does a smile, hand shake, ready-aim-fire, the iceberg and airplane theory have to do with communication? What would you do with $84,600? How important is laughter in your life? This 15 minute session will move along quickly so be prepared to listen fast and if you’re not “humor impaired” you may even share a laugh or two from the “Book of Roger.”

Roger D. Fish is an energetic and humorous speaker who melds more than 30 years of teaching, administration, and leadership experiences in the field of public education and professional speaking. Roger’s local and state presentations to thousands have lent themselves well to engaging others into recognizing and providing stewardship for the critical relationships in their lives. Roger’s enthusiastic, humorous and positive delivery style challenges the audience to pursue a positive outlook on life and its many challenges. His philosophy of building strong relationships - both personal and professional - along with his belief that, “It’s your attitude, it’s your day, make it a good one,” will set you on a course of accountability for your life.
FIELD TRIPS

All field trips will be held on Monday, October 17 after the morning plenary. Field trips will depart from outside the main entrance to the La Crosse Center at 12:00 pm.

**SCIENCE OF MONITORING IN LA CROSSE - COST: $35**
*Tour Leader: Randy Hines, U.S. Geological Survey’s Upper Midwest Environmental Sciences Center, La Crosse*

Visit the U.S. Geological Survey’s Upper Midwest Environmental Sciences Center for a 2 hour tour focused on aquatic invasives and learn about state-of-the-art research, prevention and management activities. The Center is the science leader of the Long Term Resource Monitoring (LTRM) element of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ Upper Mississippi River Restoration Program. LTRM is the nation’s largest river monitoring program with six remote state-operated field stations along the river. This 2.5 hour field trip includes 30 minutes of roundtrip travel time. Max: 30 participants.

**REFUGE TOUR AND LAKE ONALASKA PADDLE - COST: $50**
*Tour Leaders: Scott Caven, River Alliance of Wisconsin, Tim Miller, Kendra Niemec and Hallie Rasmussen, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service*

Tour the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge in Onalaska, explore educational exhibits and paddle Lake Onalaska (part of Pool 7 of the Mississippi River). Learn about water hyacinth and water lettuce early detection and rapid response efforts. The 5 hour tour includes 1 hour of roundtrip travel. Max: 20 participants.

**DAM ASIAN CARP - COST: $35**
*Tour Leader: Eliott Stefanik, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers*

Visit Lock and Dam 7 in La Crescent, MN, for technical tour covering engineering measures designed to prevent the spread of Asian carp. Learn about efforts to contain and control existing populations, including bubble barriers used in other areas. The 3.5 hour tour includes one hour of roundtrip travel. Max: 25 participants.

**“KICK” AROUND RIPARIAN INVASIVES - COST: $50**
*Team Leaders: Monika Chandler, MN Department of Agriculture, Kelly Kearns, WI Department of Natural Resources and Ben Johnston, Kickapoo Valley Reserve*

Hike through the beautiful Kickapoo Valley Reserve to learn about early detection of Japanese hops, Japanese knotweed, and other invasive plants spread by water movement. Some upland invasives will also be included. The Kickapoo is a state designated Wild and Scenic River. This 5-hour tour includes 2 hours roundtrip travel. Max: 40 participants.

**INVASIVES BY LAND, LAKE, AND STREAM - COST: $45**
*Team Leaders: Amanda Gentry, Winona County SWCD, and Tina Wolfers, MN Department of Natural Resources*

Leaders will demonstrate monitoring methods for aquatic invasive species on a stream leading into West Lake Winona. Participants will also enjoy a stroll around the lake while learning about Eurasian watermilfoil monitoring techniques and identification and management of purple loosestrife. The tour will end at an Oriental bittersweet infestation where control methods will be discussed. Total tour will be 4.5 hours including 1.5 hours of travel. Max: 25 participants.

**PEDAL AROUND INVASIVES - COST: $50**
*Tour Leaders: Mike Merriman, MN Department of Agriculture, and Tim Campbell, WI Department of Natural Resources*

Bike about 10 miles roundtrip on a scenic, paved trail through diverse habitats. Learn about reed canary grass, Asian bush honeysuckle and purple loosestrife identification and management. Practice AIS Bridge Snapshot Day stream monitoring protocol. Tour is 4 hours including 1-hour round trip travel. Max: 15 participants. Bikes will be provided to participants at no charge.

**HATCH A PLAN IN GENOA - COST: $40**
*Tour Leaders: Angelique Dahlberg, St. Croix River Association and Jonathan Osthus, MN Department of Agriculture*

Visit a fish hatchery and learn about safety practices for invasives. Talk about invasive bait used in fishing and early detection of cutleaf teasel as well as emerald ash borer identification and management. Total tour is 4 hours including 1.5 hours at the hatchery, 1 hour focused on identification methods plus travel time. Max: 25 participants.

**THIS IS THE REAL MCCOY - COST: $50**
*Tour Leaders: Tim Wilder, Ft. McCoy and Val Cervanka, MN Dept of Natural Resources*

Learn about the unique challenges of managing invasive species on a military installation, where management methods are integrated to improve outcomes. Participants will view a previously treated oak wilt center with the possibility of viewing a center as it is being treated using a vibratory root plow. Some of Wisconsin’s best remaining examples of oak savannas will be visited to discuss the use of biological controls, herbicide choice and additional integrated management techniques that can be used to minimize the spread of invasive species in a unique but heavily used landscape. Further discussion on management practices for species such as leafy spurge, spotted knapweed, St. John’s-wort, garlic mustard and buckthorn will be open for discussion. This 5 hour tour includes 2 hours roundtrip driving. Max: 40 participants.

**PADDLEWHEEL CRUISE – ON YOUR OWN. NO REGISTRATION THROUGH UMISC.**

The La Crosse Queen is a modern-day replica of the grand river boats that plied the Mississippi River in the late 19th Century. Cruising out of La Crosse, WI, she is one of the few authentic Mississippi River paddlewheel river boats still in operation in the United States today. Scenic cruises are offered daily from 1:30-3:00 p.m. for $16. Conveniently located for UMISC attendees, the La Crosse Queen departs 3 blocks south of the La Crosse Center at the end of Riverside Park. For tour information and registration, visit www.lacrossequeen.com/
WORKSHOPS

All Workshops are $15 except for the ISM Track Workshop and Mississippi River Basin Panel Workshop on Wednesday, which are free.

SUNDAY October 16, 2016: 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM

IMPROVISATIONAL THEATRE FOR SCIENCE COMMUNICATION
Presenters: Clare Haden, Oral Communication Specialist at Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology; Amy Zelenski, Director of Education, Department of Medicine in the School of Medicine and Public Health at UW-Madison.

Improvisers are experts in storytelling, spontaneity, and using observation skills to adjust to their audiences and team members accordingly. Among other skills, this 2.5 hour workshop will introduce you to exercises that can teach you how to (1) effectively communicate your work to different audiences, (2) adjust your behavior in real time to respond to audience feedback, and (3) manipulate your vocal and physical presence to communicate more effectively. This workshop will build your skills and confidence; enabling you to effectively communicate your work to different audiences. You will develop and improve presentation skills with the objective to distill your message and present your science in a clear, concise, and compelling manner. You will be able to use these skills when giving lectures, presenting abstracts, describing research posters, and talking with mentors and peers.

MONDAY October 17, 2016: 1:00 – 2:40 PM

IDENTIFICATION OF NATIVE AND EXOTIC AQUATIC PLANTS OF THE UPPER MIDWEST
Presenters: Paul Skawinski, UW-Extension Lakes Program, Author of Aquatic Plants of the Upper Midwest
Michelle Nault, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
Susan Knight, University of Wisconsin – Trout Lake Station

The Upper Midwest region is blessed with an amazing diversity of aquatic plants – over 150 species. Knowing what to look for is the key to distinguishing between the members of this important group of plants. Participants will learn through a combination of classroom and hands-on instruction. Many invasive species will be discussed, including how to distinguish them from similar native species. Participants will be able to purchase a copy of Aquatic Plants of the Upper Midwest for $30 at the Workshop.

MONDAY October 17, 2016: 3:00 – 4:40 PM

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Patricia Trochlell, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

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WEDNESDAY October 19, 2016: 8:30 – 11:45 AM

MISSISSIPPI RIVER BASIN PANEL ON AQUATIC NUISANCE SPECIES WORKSHOP
See page 25 for presenter information.

Preventing the Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species by Baitfish: A Regional Workshop to Facilitate Interstate Dialogue and Cooperation. Open to all UMISC attendees.

WEDNESDAY October 19, 2016: 1:00 – 2:40 PM

INVASIVE SPECIES MANAGEMENT (ISM) TRACK
Presenter: Mark Renz, UW-Madison

Are you interested in tracking invasive species management information? If so ISMTrack may be a solution. ISMTrack is a cloud based software system to help land managers track and summarize invasive species management across sites and over time. ISMTrack is integrated with EDDMapS, a web and app based invasive species reporting system. ISMTrack can be used to track many invasive species management activities including: staffing, treatment method, travel time, volunteer or crew hours, weather conditions, completion dates and other critical information. Data can be shared, downloaded and analyzed to increase efficiency and improve invasive species management by a team and across organizations. The mobile-friendly design also allows for access and entry of data in the field, eliminating the need for office time during the field season. If interested in learning more about this resource (currently available in WI and MN) please attend this workshop. Participants will be introduced to ISMTrack and participate in a hands-on training session that will allow them to setup their land for use of this system.

Zebra mussels (D. polymorpha). Photo credit: Paul Skawinski
SUNDAY & MONDAY, OCTOBER 16 & 17, 2016

SUNDAY AFTERNOON: 4:00 – 6:30 PM

BALLROOM A

Workshop: Improvisational Theatre for Science Communication

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MONDAY AFTERNOON I: 1:00 – 2:40 PM

BALLROOM A

Inspection and Decontamination Policy, Protocols and Effective Data Management

Moderator: Adam Doll, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

1:00 pm Tracking the Zebra Mussel: Analyzing Watercraft Inspection Data for Effective Lake Monitoring
    Baishali Bakshi¹, Adam Doll², ¹Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Data Governance Unit, ²Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

1:20 pm An Overview of Watercraft Inspections in the State of Minnesota
    Adam Doll, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

1:40 pm Wisconsin DNRS Decontamination and Disinfection Manual Code
    Maureen Ferry¹, Julia Riley¹, Amanda Perdzock², David Rowe¹, Timothy Campbell³; ¹Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, ²River Alliance of Wisconsin, ³University of Wisconsin Extension

2:00 pm Clean Boats, Clean Waters: Citizens and Staff Work Together to Protect Wisconsin’s Lakes
    Erin McFarlane, UW-Extension Lakes

2:20 pm Enhanced Training for AIS Watercraft Inspectors in Cass County MN
    Rima Smith-Keprios, Cass County, Minnesota

BALLROOM B

Dreissenid (Zebra and Quagga Mussel) Research and Control – 1

Moderator: James Luoma, USGS Environmental Science Center

1:00 pm Effects of Cyanobacteria on Quagga Mussel (Dreissena rostriformis bugensis) Reproduction
    Anna Boegehold¹, Karim Alame¹, Donna Kashian¹, Nick Johnson²; ¹Wayne State University, ²U.S. Geological Survey

1:20 pm Combating Dreisseniids in Open Water and in Water Transport Vectors with Zequanox
    Carolyn Link, Marrone Bio Innovations

1:40 pm Zebra Mussel (Dreissena polymorpha) Eradication Efforts in Christmas Lake, Minnesota
    Keegan Lund¹, Eric Fieldseth², Dr. Michael McCartney², Kylie Cattoor¹, Jill Sweet²; ¹Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, ²Minnnesota Watershed District, ³University of Minnesota

2:00 pm Effects of Zequanox Exposure to Non-Target Fish
    James Luoma*, Diane Waller, Todd Severson, Jeremy Wise, Matt Barbour; U.S. Geological Survey

2:20 pm Pattern of Spread of Zebra Mussel in Minnesota
    Sophie Mallez*, Michael McCartney; Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center at the University of Minnesota

SOUTH HALL B1

Invasive Species Management on Tribal Lands - 1

Moderators: Tyler Kaspar, 1854 Treaty Authority & Susan Burks, Minnesota DNR

1:00 pm Working with Native American Peoples: Key Tribal Partners and the Work They Do (Part 1)
    Tyler Kaspar¹, Miles Falck², Joe Mortzheim³, Pat Pelky⁴; ¹1854 Treaty Authority, ²Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission, ³U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs, ⁴Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council

1:20 pm Working with Native American Peoples: Key Tribal Partners and the Work They Do (Part 2)
    Tyler Kaspar¹, Miles Falck², Joe Mortzheim³, Pat Pelky⁴; ¹1854 Treaty Authority, ²Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission, ³U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs, ⁴Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council

1:40 pm Federal Quarantine Regulations and Their Implication for Tribal Lands (Part 1)
    JoAnn Cruse¹, Patrick Pelky²; ¹U.S. Department of Agriculture, ²Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council

2:00 pm Federal Quarantine Regulations and Their Implication for Tribal Lands (Part 2)
    JoAnn Cruse¹, Patrick Pelky²; ¹U.S. Department of Agriculture, ²Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council

2:20 pm Implementation of Invasive Species Management Based on Large-scale Inventory and Prioritization
    Paul Quinnan¹, Randy Poelma², Cardno, Inc., ¹Ho-Chunk Nation Division of Environmental Health
**MONDAY AFTERNOON I: 1:00 – 2:40 PM**

**BALLROOM C**

**Workshop: Identification of Native and Exotic Aquatic Plants of the Upper Midwest**

Paul Skawinski1,2, Michelle Nault2, Susan Knight1; 1Wisconsin Citizen Lake Monitoring Network, 2UW-Extension Lakes Program, 3Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, 4University of Wisconsin – Trout Lake Station

1:00 pm The Upper Midwest region is blessed with an amazing diversity of aquatic plants – over 150 species. Knowing what to look for is the key to distinguishing between the members of this important group of plants. Participants will learn through a combination of classroom and hands-on instruction. Many non-native species will also be discussed, including how to distinguish them from similar native species.

**MONDAY AFTERNOON II: 3:00 – 4:40 PM**

**BALLROOM A**

**Locally Led Efforts**

(10 min. presentations followed by 30 min. discussion) Moderators: Tina Wolve, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

3:00 pm *Michigan’s Invasive Species Program*
Christina Baugher, Michigan Department of Natural Resources

3:10 pm *WePIC*
Jennifer Ricker, Iron Baraga Conservation District

3:20 pm *An RC&D-led Regional AIS Program Providing Services in 8 Counties*
Amy Thorstenson, Golden Sands RC&D and Portage, Marathon, Waupaca, Waushara, and Wood Counties

3:30 pm *Living the Dream as a ‘Top Ten’ County: Cass County MN*
Rima Smith-Keprios, Cass County, Minnesota

3:40 pm *Hubbard County - Local Partnerships With Resorts and Townships*
Kenneth Grob, Hubbard County

3:50 pm *Locally Led AIS efforts*
Tara Guetter, Pelican River Watershed District

4:00 pm *A Review of One Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator Model in Wisconsin*
Diane Schauer, Calumet County, WI

4:10 pm *Discussion* (30 minutes)

**BALLROOM B**

**Dreissenid (Zebra and Quagga Mussel) Research and Control – 2**

Moderator: James Luoma, USGS Environmental Science Center

3:00 pm *Ecology and Genetics of Zebra Mussel Spread in Minnesota: Results and Plans*
Michael McCartney*, Sophie Malez; University of Minnesota

3:20 pm *The Potential of eDNA to Guide Site Selection for Zebra Mussel Control*
Christopher Merkes1, Richard Erickson1, Christopher Rees2, Jon Amberg1, James Luoma1; 1U.S. Geological Survey, 2U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

3:40 pm *A Rapid Response Zebra Mussel (Dreissena polymorpha) Control Project, Ruth Lake, Minnesota*
Richard Rezanka1, Daniel Swanson (retired), Michael Duval; Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

4:00 pm *Evaluation of Carbon Dioxide as a Dreissenid Mussel Control Tool*
Diane Waller1, Michelle Bartsch, Matt Barbour, Jeremy Wise, Todd Severson; U.S. Geological Survey

4:20 pm *Control of Dreissenid Mussels with a More Rational Use of Copper*
David Hammond, Earth Science Labs
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2016

SOUTH HALL B1
Invasive Species Management on Tribal Lands – 2
Moderators: Tyler Kaspar, 1854 Treaty Authority & Susan Burks, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
3:00 pm The Vanishing Goblin Fern: Negative Effects of Non-native Earthworms
   Bobby Henderson, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, Division of Resource Management
3:20 pm Adapting to Emerald Ash Borer: Planting Replacement Species in the Understory
   Shannon Kesner*, Christian Nelson; Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa
3:40 pm Is Phragmites Being Spread by Waste Water Treatment Facilities?
   Todd Norwood, Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Treaty Natural Resources Division
4:00 pm Using Drones to Monitor Invasive Species and Wetland Restorations
   Michael Arce, Oneida Environmental Health and Safety Division
4:20 pm Panel Discussion: Enhancing Cooperative Invasive Species Management Across Tribal Borders

SOUTH HALL B2
How to Recruit and Manage Volunteers
Moderator: Andrea Lorek Strauss, University of Minnesota Extension
3:00 pm Tips for Recruiting and Managing Volunteers to Help with Invasive Species Management
   Andrea Lorek Strauss, University of Minnesota Extension
3:20 pm Mobilizing Citizens: Increasing Volunteer Involvement and Early Detection on Wisconsin’s Rivers
   Amanda Ferdzock, River Alliance of Wisconsin
3:40 pm Development and Enhancement of the Michigan Invasive Aquatic Plant Citizen Monitoring Program
   Angela De Palma-Dow*, Jo Latimore; Michigan State University
4:00 pm AIS Detectors and Trackers: WANTED
   Eleanor Burkett*, Megan Weber; University of Minnesota Extension
4:20 pm Invasive Blitz: Expanded Roles for Volunteers
   Andrea Lorek Strauss*, Terri Dugan2, Dawn Littleton2; University of Minnesota Extension, Minnesota Master Naturalist

BALLROOM C
Workshop: Identification of Grasses, Sedges, and Rushes
Presenter: Steve Eggers1, Patricia Trochlell2; 1U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 2Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
3:00 pm This workshop will introduce participants to the basics of identification of grasses, sedges, and rushes; three graminoid families with species commonly found growing in wetlands and adjacent uplands. Taxonomy, plant structure and use of appropriate plant keys for identification will be discussed with species samples available for close observation. Several grass species that are invasive in the Midwest will be covered.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016

TUESDAY MORNING I: 8:00 – 9:40 AM

BALLROOM A
Emerald Ash Borer Control and Management
Moderator: Mark Abrahamson, Minnesota Department of Agriculture
8:00 am Minnesota Wasp Watchers: An Update on Emerald Ash Borer Biosurveillance
   Jennifer Schultz2, Monika Chandler*, Angela Gupta1, Jeffrey Hahn1, Jonathan Osthus1;
   1University of Minnesota Extension, 2Minnesota Department of Agriculture
8:20 am When Do You Pull the Trigger? Using Monitoring Data to Optimize EAB Management
   Mark Abrahamson1, Angie Ambourn, Brian Aukema2, Chris Mallet2, Aubree Wilke2; Rob Venette3;
   1Minnesota Department of Agriculture, 2University of Minnesota, 3U.S. Forest Service
8:40 am An Update on Wisconsin’s Forest Management Guidelines for Emerald Ash Borer
   Greg Edge, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry
9:00 Discussion
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016

TUESDAY MORNING I: 8:00 – 9:40 AM

BALLROOM B
Responsive Management of Fish

Moderator: Brooke Vetter, University of Minnesota – Duluth

8:00 am  The Potential Use of Chemical and Auditory Stimuli with Other Control Strategies to Develop an Integrated Pest Management Tool for the Control of Asian Carp
Robin Calfee*, Gregory Thompson, Edward Little, Holly Puglis, Erin Scott; U.S. Geological Survey

8:20 am  Predation of Juvenile Asian Carp by Native Species in Experimental Ponds

8:40 am  The Effects of Anthropogenic Sound on Native and Invasive Fish Behavior in the Upper Mississippi River
Kelsie Murchy*, Brooke Vetter, Marybeth Brey, Jon Amberg, Mark Gaikowski, Allen Mensinger; University of Minnesota Duluth, U.S. Geological Survey

9:00 am  Bigheaded Carp Movements Past Navigation Dams on the Upper Mississippi River

9:20 am  Bigheaded Carp Behavior and Bioacoustics

BALLROOM C
Rapid Response and Eradication: Case Studies from Around the Great Lakes

Moderator: Erika Jensen, Great Lakes Commission

8:00 am  Attempted Eradication of Ambitious Architects: Procambarus clarkii, The Red Swamp Crayfish in three SE Wisconsin Ponds – Successes and Failures
Heidi Bunk*, Scott Van Egeren; Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

8:20 am  Nymphoides peltata Management in Six Wisconsin Ponds
Heidi Bunk*, Audrey Greene, Susan Graham, Brenda Nordin, Michelle Nault; Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Walworth County (retired)

8:40 am  Demonstration Project to Eradicate Hydrilla in Tonawanda Creek Section of the Erie Canal, NY
Michael Greer*, Richard Ruby, Michael Netherland; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center

9:20 am  Michigan European Frog Bit Response
Sue Tangora, Michigan Department of Natural Resources

9:40 am  Discussion

SOUTH HALL B1
Ecology and Biology of Invasives -1

Moderator: Niels Jorgensen, University of Wisconsin-Madison Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies

8:00 am  Using Habitat Suitability Models in Wisconsin: An Engaged, Iterative, and Collaborative Approach
Niels Jorgensen*, Mark Renz; University of Wisconsin-Madison

8:20 am  Climate Change and Terrestrial Invasive Species
Laura Van Riper, Ecological and Water Resources Division of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

8:40 am  Facilitating Natural Succession in Heavily Invaded Ecosystems
Amber Miller-Adamany*, Meredith Thomsen; University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

9:00 am  Invasive Species or Invasible Landscapes: An Alternative Perspective on Invasion
Steve Thomforde, Great River Greening

9:20 am  How the Phenology of Curly-Leaf Pondweed (Potamogeton crispus L.) Affects Biomass Estimation, Dissolved Oxygen, and Nutrient Cycling in the Upper Mississippi
Deanne Drake*, Shawn Giblin, John Kalas; Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016

SOUTH HALL B2

Prioritizing and Controlling New Terrestrial Invasive Plants

Moderator: Emilie Justen, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

8:00 am Early Detection, Delayed Reaction Repercussions of Amur Cork Tree and Wild Chervil
Christopher Gaetzke*, Katherine Stahl; Lower Chippewa Invasives Partnership, Inc.

8:20 am Successful Japanese Hops (Humulus japonicus) Early Detection and Management in Southeastern Minnesota
Emilie Justen, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

8:40 am Lesser Celandine (Ficaria verna or Ranunculus ficaria) in Wisconsin: An Account of its Recent History and Control Efforts
Michael Putnam1, Mark Verhagen2, Jill Hapner2, Kelly Kearns1; 1Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, 2Southeastern Wisconsin Invasive Species Consortium, Inc.

9:00 am Callery Pear: An Emerging Invasive Threat
Jason Belcher, Bayer CropScience

9:20 am Grecian Foxglove (Digitalis lanata) Management Success: A Collaborative Effort
Emilie Justen*, Lynette Anderson; Belwin Conservancy

SOUTH HALL B3

Minnesota Invasive Terrestrial Plants and Pests Center: Research Updates and Management

Moderator: Rob Venette, Minnesota DNR

8:00 am The Minnesota Invasive Terrestrial Plants and Pests Center: Research for Results
Robert Venette, The Minnesota Invasive Terrestrial Plants and Pests Center (MITPPC) at the University of Minnesota

8:20 am Rapid Detection of Oak Wilt
Renu Singh*, Jennifer Juzwik, Brett Arenz, Abdennour Abbas; University of Minnesota Twin Cities

8:40 am The Invasive Continues: Getting a Leg up on a Growing Six-Legged Problem
Bill Hutchinson1, Byju Govindan1, Bob Koch1, Chris Philips3, Tracy Twine4, Pete Snyder4, Mark Abrahamson5; 1Department of Entomology at the University of Minnesota, St. Paul, 2NC-Research & Outreach Center, 3Department of Entomology at the University of Minnesota, Grand Rapids, 4Department of Soil, Water & Climate at the University of Minnesota, St. Paul, 5Minnesota Department of Agriculture

9:00 am Cover it Up! Using Plants to Control Buckthorn
Peter Wragg1, Peter Reich1, Lee Frelich1, Alex Roth2, Paul Bockenstedt2, Shawn Schottler2; 1University of Minnesota, 2Friends of the Mississippi, 3Stantec, Inc., 4St. Croix Watershed Research Station

9:20 am Love it or List it: Agency Perspectives on the MITPPC – MN: Agency Panel and Discussion
Laura Van Riper*, Mark Abrahamson1, Dan Shaw1, Ken Graeve1; 1Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, 2Minnesota Department of Agriculture, 3Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources, 4Minnesota Department of Transportation

TUESDAY MORNING II: 10:00 – 11:40 AM

BALLROOM A

“New” Invasive Plants Threatening Our Forests*

*(Four, 10-minute presentations followed by an hour of open discussion)

Moderator: Susan Burks, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

10:00 am Introduction to Goals, Biology, and Identification, Susan Burks, MNDNR Forestry

10:10 am Angela Isackson, Three Rivers Park District

10:20 am Jeffrey Flory, 1854 Treaty Authority

10:40 am Val Green, MNDNR Forestry

10:50 am General Discussion
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016**

**TUESDAY MORNING II: 10:00 – 11:40 AM**

### BALLROOM B

**Industry Solutions for Better Aquatic Invasive Species Management**

**Moderator:** Steve McComas, Blue Water Science

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### BALLROOM C

**Locally Led Efforts and Organisms in Trade**

**Moderator:** Tim Campbell, University of Wisconsin Extension Environmental Resources Center, University of Wisconsin Sea Grant, and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

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<td><strong>Soliciting Public Feedback for an AIS Grants Program Using a Novel Survey Approach</strong>&lt;br&gt;Shelly Thomsen¹, Tim Campbell³, Barry Radler⁴; ¹Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, ²University of Wisconsin Extension, ³Wisconsin Sea Grant, ⁴Barrold Freeman Consulting</td>
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<td><strong>Managing Aquatic Invasive Species While Improving Water Quality: Riley Creek Watershed</strong>&lt;br&gt;Claire Bleser², Josh Maxwell, Michelle Jordan; Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District</td>
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<td><strong>Illinois Needs Heroes: Preventing the Introduction of Aquatic Invasive Species in Trade into Natural Areas</strong>&lt;br&gt;Greg Hitzroth¹², Pat Charlebois¹², Sara Zack¹, Danielle Hilbrich¹²; ¹Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant, ²Illinois Natural History Survey</td>
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<td><strong>Watercraft Inspection Data Collection in Wisconsin Using a Custom Mobile Application</strong>&lt;br&gt;Tim Campbell², Erin McFarlane³, Brian Ploeckelman⁴; ²University of Wisconsin Extension Environmental Resources Center, ³Wisconsin Sea Grant, ⁴University of Wisconsin – Madison</td>
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### SOUTH HALL B1

**Ecology and Biology of Invasives – 2**

**Moderator:** Jake Walsh, Center for Limnology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison

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<td><strong>Massive Ecosystem Services Impact by Invasive Spiny Waterflea in Lake Mendota, WI</strong>&lt;br&gt;Jake Walsh⁷, Jake Vander Zanden, Stephen Carpenter; Center for Limnology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison</td>
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<td><strong>Illinois’ Exotic Freshwater Mollusks’ Distributions and Implications</strong>&lt;br&gt;Jeremy Tiemann¹, Sarah Douglass, Mark Davis, Kevin Cummings; Illinois Natural History Survey</td>
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TUESDAY MORNING II: 10:00 – 11:40 AM

SOUTH HALL B2
Phragmites (Common Reed) Research, Prevention and Control – 1

Moderators: Kurt Kowalski, USGS - Great Lakes Science Center

10:00 am  Great Lakes Phragmites Collaborative: A Collective Impact Approach to Non-native Phragmites
Elaine Ferrier", Kurt Kowalski2, 1Great Lakes Commission, 2USGS Geological Survey – Great Lakes Science Center

10:20 am  Developing the Phragmites Adaptive Management Framework (PAMF)
Abram DaSilva1, Kurt Kowalski1, Danielle Haak2, Clinton Moore1, Wesley Bickford1; 1U.S. Geological Survey, 2University of Georgia

10:40 am  Non-native Phragmites in the Midwest: Status of its Invasion and Control Projects in Wisconsin, Illinois, Minnesota, and Iowa
Brock Woods, University of Wisconsin and Department of Natural Resources

10:00 am  Phragmites Prevention and Control Coalition of Michigan’s Upper Peninsula (U.P.)
Darcy Rutkowski*, Teri Grout, Jason Schnorr; Upper Peninsula RC&D Council

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SOUTH HALL B3
Cooperative Weed Management Areas: Updates and Future Direction

Moderator: Kari Hagenow, Door County Invasive Species Team, The Nature Conservancy

10:00 am  Cooperative Management in Northwest Lower Michigan
Katie Grzesiak, Northwest Michigan Invasive Species Network

10:20 am  Keeping Momentum a Decade Later - The Door County Invasive Species Team
Kari Hagenow, Door County Invasive Species Team

10:40 am  Slowing the Spread and Educating Citizens in West Central Wisconsin
Christopher Gaetzke, Dunn County Land and Water Conservation Division

10:00 am  Cooperative Weed Management Area Program Utilizing Cost-Share for Landowners
Jennifer Wahls, Wabasha County

10:20 am  Greater Blue Earth Cooperative Weed Management Area (CWMA)
Rich Perrine, Martin Soil and Water Conservation District

TUESDAY AFTERNOON I: 1:30 – 3:10 PM

BALLROOM A
Forest Ecosystem Connections and Invasive Plant Species

Moderator: Ryan McEwan, University of Dayton

1:30 pm  Garlic Mustard: Regional Decline of a Major Forest Invader
Bernd Blossey1, Andrea DiAvalos1, Victoria Nuzzo2; 1Cornell University, 2Natural Area Consultants

1:50 pm  Do Extreme Stochastic Climate Events Affect the Density of the Invasive Garlic Mustard (Alliaria petiolata) and Disrupt the Years of Alternating Abundance of First and Second Year Plants?
Roger Anderson1, M. Rebecca Anderson1, Jonathan Bauer2, Christopher Loebach1; 1Illinois State University, 2Indiana University

2:10 pm  Perspectives on Garlic Mustard Biocontrol in the Midwest
Laura Van Riper*, Roger Becker, Jeanie Katovich, Mary Marek-Spartz, Edita Siltefanicí, Josip Juraj; 1Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, 2University of Minnesota, 3Strossmayer University

2:30 pm  Effects of the Invasion, and Removal, of the Terrestrial Shrub Lonicera maackii on the Biology of Headwater Streams
Ryan McEwan1, Eric Benbow, Kevin Custer, Rachel McNeish; 1University of Dayton

2:50 pm  Advances in Control of Invasive Plants by Conservation Goat Grazing
Jacob Langeslag1, Amanda Langeslag; Goat Dispatch
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SOUTH HALL B1

Minnesota Counties’ Prevention Aid Outcomes and Impacts*

*(Seven, 10 minute presentations followed by a 30 minute discussion)

Moderator: Tina Wolbers, Minnesota DNR

1:30 pm Minnesota’s Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Aid Outcomes and Impacts
Tina Wolbers*, Phil Hunsicker; Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

1:40 pm Beltrami County MN AIS Prevention
Bruce Anspach, Beltrami County

1:50 pm Successes and Challenges of AIS Prevention Aid in Cook County, Minnesota
Amanda Weberg, Cook County, MN

2:00 pm Chisago County AIS Prevention Program
Jerry Spetzman, Chisago County and Chisago Lakes Lake Improvement District

2:10 pm Making a Difference at the Local Level - AIS Prevention Aid Implementation in Washington County, Minnesota
Colin Kelly, Washington County Office of Administration

2:20 pm Winona County, MN AIS Aid in Trout Streams
Amanda Gentry, Winona County SWCD

2:30 pm 4-H Youth/Adult Partnerships and Aquatic Invasive Species Education
Suzanne Souza12, Cara Greger34, Zakari Angelo4, Ethan Carbajal4, Mary Larson4; 12University of Minnesota Extension, 3Big Stone County, 4Big Stone National Park, *4-H Youth

2:40 pm Discussion Session (30 minutes)

SOUTH HALL B2

Responsive Management of Aquatic Plants – 1

Moderator: Scott Provost, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

1:30 pm Linking the Efficacy and Side Effects of Long-Term Best Management Practices for Eurasian Watermilfoil Control in Wisconsin Lakes
Ellen Kujawa1*, Paul Frater1, Alison Mikulyuk1, Martha Barton1, Michelle Nault1, Scott Van Egeren1, Jennifer Hauxwell1; 1Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, 2University of Wisconsin Aquatic Sciences Center

1:50 pm Incorporating Holistic Management into Successful Integrated Pest Management Implementation
Scott Provost, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

2:10 pm The Cost of the Cure and the Disease: Understanding the Ecological Effects of an Invader Relative to Large-Scale Herbicide Treatments Used in its Control
Alison Mikulyuk1*, Jake DeVries1, Jan Malysza1; 1Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

2:30 pm Rapid Response Management of Eurasian Watermilfoil (Myriophyllum spicatum) in Staring Lake
Joshua Maxwell1*, Claire Bleser, Michelle Bleser; Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District

2:50 pm Reed Canarygrass Risk Assessment by the Minnesota Noxious Weed Advisory Committee
Michael Merriman1*, Anthony Cortilet, Clifford Watrin; Minnesota Department of Agriculture

BALLROOM B

Policy, Law, and Legislation

Moderator: Ryan Wheeler, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Forest and Wildlife Divisions

1:30 pm Implementation of a Multi-agency Invasive Species Decontamination Policy in Michigan
Ryan Wheeler, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Forest and Wildlife Divisions

1:50 pm Using Risk Analysis to Inform Asian Carp Management in Minnesota
Adam Kokotovich1*, David Andow; University of Minnesota

2:10 pm Enforcing AIS Laws and Educating Boaters Through the Wisconsin DNR Water Guard Program
Samantha Olsen, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

2:30 pm Wisconsin Ballast Water Program Update
Susan Eichelkraut1*, Mike Goettel; Department of Natural Resources

2:50 pm Discussion
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#### TUESDAY AFTERNOON I: 1:30 – 3:10 PM

**SOUTH HALL B3**

**Phragmites (Common Reed) Research, Prevention and Control -2**

**Moderator:** Brock Woods, UW Extension

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Melanie Manion*, Brian Majka; Ottawa County Parks, GEI Consultants, Inc. |
| 1:50 pm | **Can’t See the Wetland for the Reeds: Phragmites Control in Coastal Wetlands**  
Christopher May*, Greg Norwood, Jake Bonelo; The Nature Conservancy, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service |
| 2:10 pm | **Bridging the Gap Between Innovation/Technology and Restoration in the Fight Against Invasive Phragmites**  
Jason Carlson, Applied Ecological Services (AES) |
| 2:30 pm | **A Science Agenda for Managing Non-native Phragmites Australis Through Microbial Intervention**  
Kurt Kowalski, U.S. Geological Survey Great Lakes Science Center |
| 2:50 pm | **Root Fungi Associated with Native and Non-native Phragmites in the Great Lakes**  
Wesley Bickford*, Kurt Kowalski, Deborah Goldberg, Donald Zak; U.S. Geological Survey Great Lakes Science Center, University of Michigan |

#### BALLROOM C

**Tools for Invasive Plant Removal**

**Moderator:** Steven Manning, Invasive Plant Control, Inc.

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Jamie Baumgardner, Dow AgroSciences |
| 1:50 pm | **Using Adjuvants to Increase Coverage and Reduce Off-Target Movement with Aerial Applications**  
| 2:10 pm | **New Ultra-Low Pressure Herbicide Dispenser Reduces Drift and Increases Target Adhesion**  
John Lampe, Green Shoots, LLC |
| 2:30 pm | **Equipment for Invasive Plant Management; The Good, The Bad and the Ugly (Part 1)**  
Steven Manning, Invasive Plant Control, Inc. |
| 2:50 pm | **Equipment for Invasive Plant Management; The Good, The Bad and the Ugly (Part 2)**  
Steven Manning, Invasive Plant Control, Inc. |

#### TUESDAY AFTERNOON II: 3:30 – 5:00 PM

**BALLROOM A**

**Threats on the Horizon**

**Moderator:** Angie Ambourn, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

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Angie Ambourn, Minnesota Department of Agriculture’s Plant Protection Division |
| 3:50 pm | **Addressing the Current and Potential Impact of the Invasive Jumping Worm (Amythas sp.) in Wisconsin**  
Brad Herrick*, Bernadette Williams; UW-Madison Arboretum, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources |
| 4:10 pm | **Potential Effects of the Invasive Amythas Earthworm on Vegetation in Hardwood Forests**  
Katie Laushman*, Sara Hotchkiss; University of Wisconsin-Madison Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison Botany Department |
| 4:30 pm | **Feral Swine in the Upper Midwest**  
John McComas, U.S. Department of Agriculture, APHIS Wildlife Services |
| 4:50 pm | **Identification, Biology and Management of Burning Bush (Euonymus alatus) in Forest Ecosystems**  
Anthony Summers*, Mark Renz, University of Wisconsin |
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            Kile Kucher, Michigan Department of Natural Resources |
| 3:50 pm | **The Great Winneconne Water Hyacinth Expedition**  
            Valerie Stabenow, Citizen Lake Monitoring Network |
| 4:10 pm | **Potential Spread of Hydrilla (Hydrilla verticillata) to the Great Lakes Basin**  
            Kristen Hebebrand*, Jonathan Bossenbroek; The University of Toledo |
| 4:30 pm | **Occurrence and Distribution of Eurasian, Northern and Hybrid Watermilfoil in Lake Minnetonka and Christmas Lake: Genetic Analysis**  
            Eric Fieldseth*, Ray Newman, Ryan Thum; Minnehaha Creek Watershed District, University of Minnesota, Montana State University |
| 4:50 pm | **Glyceria maxima in Wisconsin: Status and Control Strategy**  
            Brock Woods, University of Wisconsin and Department of Natural Resources |

## SOUTH HALL B2
### Biology and Impacts of Starry Stonewort*

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            Paul Skawinski, Citizen Lake Monitoring Network, University of Wisconsin Extension Lakes Program |
| 3:40 pm | **Starry Stonewort: Addressing Identification Challenges Faced by Monitoring Volunteers and Professionals**  
            Angela De Palma-Dow*, Maggie Williams, Jo Latimore; Michigan State University |
| 3:50 pm | **Starry Stonewort (Nitellopsis obtusa): Research Efforts Towards an Integrated Management Plan**  
            Anna Monfils*, Blake Cahill, Heather Dame, Lindsay Chadderton, Andrew Tucker, Pam Tyning, Paul Hausler, Ryan Thum, James McNair; Central Michigan University, The Nature Conservancy, Progressive AE, Montana State University, Grand Valley State University |
| 4:00 pm | **Tracing the Movement of the Invasive Alga Nitellopsis obtusa Using Genetic Analyses**  
            Robin Sleith*, Amy Havens, Robert Stewart, John Wehr, Kenneth Karol; New York Botanical Garden, Fordham University |
| 4:10 pm | **Response to Starry Stonewort (Nitellopsis obtusa) in Silver Lake, Washington County, Wisconsin**  
            Bradley Steckart; Washington and Waukesha Counties |
| 4:20 pm | **Starry Stonewort: A New Species of Concern in Minnesota**  
            Christine Jurek*, Nicole Kovar, Courtney Millaway, and Tim Plude, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources |
| 4:30 pm | **Discussion Session (30 minutes)** |

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### Organisms in Trade

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            Tim Campbell, University of Wisconsin Extension |
| 3:50 pm | **Harmonizing Great Lakes Regulated Species Lists: Progress Towards Reconciling a Regional Patchwork**  
            Lindsay Chadderton, Andrew Tucker; The Nature Conservancy |
| 4:10 pm | **Fish and Wildlife Service’s Lacey Act Authorities and Cooperative Risk Management Activities**  
            Michael Hoff, Craig Martin; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service |
| 4:30 pm | **GLDIATR: Protecting the Great Lakes from the Internet Trade of AIS**  
            Erika Jensen, Great Lakes Commission |
| 4:50 pm | **Multi-State Efforts to Address the Threat of Invasive Species**  
            Stephanie Otts, National Sea Grant Law Center |
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SOUTH HALL B3
Emerging Threats, Assessment and Management of Aquatic Invasive Species

Moderator: Angelique Dahlberg, St. Croix River Association

3:30 pm  
**Early Detection and Rapid Response at a Watershed Scale: A Role for Local Government**  
Eric Fieldseth¹, ¹Minnehaha Creek Watershed District

3:50 pm  
**New and Emerging Aquatic Invasive Species in Michigan: Invertebrates**  
William Keiper², Seth Herbst³; ²Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, ³Michigan Department of Natural Resources

4:10 pm  
**Do Silver Carp and Shad Species Share Resources in a Mesotrophic Reservoir?**  
Dalton Lebeda¹, Michael Flinn; Murray State University

4:30 pm  
**Evaluation of Aquatic Plant Communities Following a Whole Lake Fluridone Treatment to Control for Myriophyllum spicatum (Eurasian watermilfoil) — Michigan Case Studies**  
Barb Gajewski, Many Waters, LLC

4:50 pm  
**Population Demographics of Silver Carp in a Large Mesotrophic Reservoir**  
Allison DeRose¹, Timothy Spier¹, Neal Jackson²; ¹Murray State University, ²Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife

BALLROOM B
Wood Utilization: Impacts of Invasives on Timber and Value

Moderator: Mark Abrahamson, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

3:30 pm  
**Wood Utilization Options for Urban Trees Infested by Invasive Species**  
Don Peterson¹, Brian Brashaw¹, Robert Ross¹; ¹Renewable Resource Solutions, LLC, ¹USDA Forest Products Laboratory

3:50 pm  
**Wood Utilization and the Uncertainty of Emerald Ash Borer in Minnesota’s Forests**  
Andrew Arends, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

4:10 pm  
**A Burning Topic: Firewood and What Minnesota is Doing to Minimize the Spread**  
Katy Longen, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

4:30 pm  
**Discussion Session** (40 minutes)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2016

BALLROOM C
Mississippi River Basin Panel on Aquatic Nuisance Species Workshop—Preventing the Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species by Baitfish: A Regional Workshop to Facilitate Interstate Dialogue and Cooperation

**Note:** 8:30 am start

8:30 am  
**Welcome, Introductions, Overview of the Day**  
Stephanie Otts, Director, National Sea Grant Law Center; Luci Cook-Hildreth, Mississippi River Basin Panel, Outreach Committee Chair

9:00 am  
**Addressing Invasive Species Spread through Commercial Bait Sales in Kansas: A Case History**  
Jason Goeccker, Project Leader, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

9:45 am  
**State Case Study: Arkansas Certified Baitfish Program**  
Mark Stoll, Arkansas State Plant Board

10:30 am  
**Break**

10:45 am  
**Assessing the Risk of Introduction through the Baitfish Pathway: Insights from the Great Lakes Fishery Commission’s Law Enforcement Committee**  
Jill Wingfield, Communications Program Manager, Great Lakes Fishery Commission

11:30 am  
**Summary of Legal Review of Mississippi River Basin Panel States**  
Stephanie Otts, Director, National Sea Grant Law Center
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2016

WEDNESDAY MORNING I: 8:00 – 9:40 AM

SOUTH HALL B3
Emerging Forest Insect Pests
Moderator: Brian Aukema, University of Minnesota

8:00 am Are Minnesota’s Pines Too Good for Mountain Pine Beetles?
Brian Aukema*, Robert Venette†, Mark Abrahamson*, Angie Ambourn*, Derek Rosenberger*; 1University of Minnesota, 2U.S. Forest Service, 3Minnesota Department of Agriculture, 4Olivet Nazarene University

8:20 am Barriers the Mountain Pine Beetle Must Overcome to Spread to the Midwest
Kevin Chase*, Eckehard Brockerhoff*, Sandy Liebhold*, Derek Rosenberger*, Brian Aukema; 1University of Minnesota, 2Scion (New Zealand Forest Research Institute), 3U.S. Forest Service, 4University of Minnesota

8:40 am The Role of Climate Change in the Synchrony of Larch Casebearer and Eastern Larch
Samuel Fahrner*, Brian Aukema; University of Minnesota Twin Cities

9:00 am Etiology of Thousand Cankers Disease in the Eastern USA
Melanie Moore*, Jennifer Juzwik†, Tyler Stewart‡, Matthew Ginzel; 1USDA Forest Service, 2Purdue University

9:20 am Using a Pest Risk Analysis Approach to Prepare for Mountain Pine Beetle
David Nisbet*, Taylor Scarr†, Victoria Fewster‡; 1Invasive Species Centre, 2Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

SOUTH HALL B1
Advances in Aquatic Plant Control
Moderator: Michelle Nault, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

8:00 am Carolina Fanwort (Cabomba caroliniana): Research Efforts Towards an Integrated Management Plan
Blake Cahill*, Anna Monfils, Heather Dame, Lindsay Chadderton, Andrew Tucker, Pam Tying, Paul Hauser, Ryan Thum, James McNair; 1Central Michigan University, 2The Nature Conservancy, 3Progressive AE, 4Montana State University, 5Grand Valley State University

8:20 am Invasive Watermilfoil Response to Control Efforts in a Lake Superior Coastal Waterway
Kevyn Juneau*, Casey Huckins, Amy Marcarelli; 1University of Wisconsin-River Falls, 2Michigan Technological University

8:40 am Evaluation of Herbicide Treatments for Eurasian Watermilfoil Control Across Wisconsin Lakes
Michelle Nault*, John Skogerboe, Eddie Heath, Scott Van Egeren, Scott Provost; 1Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, 2U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 3Onterra, LLC

9:00 am Efficacy and Selectivity Studies for a New Aquatic Herbicide - PROCELLACOR™
Mark Heilman*, Michael Netherland; 1SePRO, 2U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center

9:20 am Going to the Mat: Biodegradable Benthic Mats for Invasive Aquatic Plant Control
Andrew Tucker*, Lindsay Chadderton, Anna Monfils, Blake Cahill, Heather Dame, Pam Tying, Paul Hauser, Ryan Thum, James McNair; 1The Nature Conservancy, 2Central Michigan University, 3Progressive AE, 4Montana State University, 5Grand Valley State University

SOUTH HALL B2
Early Detection of New Invasive Fish and Invertebrates
Moderator: Kylie Cattoor, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

8:00 am Sampling Design for Aquatic Invasive Species Early Detection in Great Lakes Ports
Joel Hoffman*, Joshua Schloesser, Annett Trebitz, Greg Peterson, Michelle Gutsch; 1U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of Research and Development, 2U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

8:20 am Development of an AIS Monitoring Program on Lake Superior: Using Chequamegon Bay as a Case Study for Improving Detection Probabilities
Jared Myers*, Josh Schloesser, Mike Seider, Mark Brouder; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

8:40 am The Art and Science of Finding Zebra Mussels (Dreissena polymorpha): A Discussion of In-Lake Early Detection Search Methods in Minnesota
Kylie Cattoor, Keegan Lund, Allison Gamble; Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

9:00 am Identification of Bighead Carp and Silver Carp Natal Environments and Detection of Lock and Dam 19 Passage in the Upper Mississippi River: Insights from Otolith Chemistry
Brent Knights*, Gregory Whitledge, Jon Vallazza, James Larson, Michael Weber, James Lamers, Quinton Phelps; 1USGS Upper Midwest Environmental Sciences Center, 2Southern Illinois University, 3Iowa State University, 4Western Illinois University, 5Missouri Department of Conservation

9:20 am Documentation of Asian Carp Reproduction in the Upper Mississippi River
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BALLROOM A

Invasive Species Observations and Assessment

Moderator: Maureen Ferry, Department of Natural Resources

8:00 am Displaying Invasives with Interactive Maps
Karl Hillstrom, Alison Slaats, Erich Borchardt, Jonathan Osthus, Emilie Justen, Monika Chandler; Minnesota Department of Agriculture

8:20 am 5 Years of Science to Assess Prevention Efforts and Improve Aquatic Invasive Species Monitoring in Wisconsin
Maureen Ferry, Scott VanErgeren, Alex Latzka, Catherine Hein, Michael Shupryt; Department of Natural Resources, University of Wisconsin – Madison

8:40 am The Great Lakes Invasives Thematic Collections Network: >500,000 Museum Specimens and Growing
Ken Cameron, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Wisconsin State Herbarium, and UW-Madison Natural History Museums Council

9:00 am EDDMapS, ISMTrack and Smartphone Apps for Invasive Species Management
Chuck Bargeron, Joe LaForest, Rebekah Wallace, David Moorhead; Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health, University of Georgia

9:20 am Data Archive, Retrieval, and Use: Building the Rainbow Bridge
Jason Granberg, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

BALLROOM B

New Developments in Biocontrol – 1

Moderator: Monika Chandler, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

8:00 am USDA, APHIS, PPQ, Biological Control - Progress, Processes, Projects
Ronald Weeks, USDA Animal Plant Health Service, Plant Protection and Quarantine

8:20 am Marram Grass Neighbors Increase Susceptibility of Pitcher’s Thistle to an Invasive Weevil
Alyssa Hakes, Lawrence University

8:40 am Testing the Effectiveness of a Native Fungus to Control Ailanthus in Ohio Forests
Joanne Rebbeck, Don Davis, Joan Jolliff; U.S. Forest Service, Penn State University

9:00 am Factors Impacting Biocontrol Agent Choice in Use of Invasive Host Plants
Gina Quiram, Alyssa Hakes; University of Minnesota, Lawrence University

9:20 am Cold Tolerance of Biological Control Agents of the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug
Erica Nystrom, Robert Venette, Christine Dieckhoff, Kim Hoelmer, Robert Koch; University of Minnesota, USDA Forest Service, USDA Agricultural Research Service

SOUTH HALL B4

Practical Approaches to Education and Outreach

Moderator: Pat Conzemius, Wildlife Forever

8:00 am Clean Drain Dry: Prevention Outreach Begins with Action!
Pat Conzemius, Wildlife Forever

8:20 am Digging Deeper Into What Works in AIS Outreach
Douglas Jensen, Great Lakes Sea Grant Network

8:40 am Social Marketing and PlayCleanGo: Stop Invasive Species In Your Tracks
Susan Burks, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

9:00 am Collaboration Among Partners: Aitkin County Buckthorn Control
Brian Leitinger, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

9:20 am Documenting the Occurrence through Space and Time of Aquatic Non-Indigenous Fish, Mollusks, Algae, and Plants Threatening North America’s Great Lakes
Andrea Miller, The Morton Arboretum
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WEDNESDAY MORNING II: 10:00 – 11:40 AM

SOUTH HALL B3
Oak Wilt, Deer, and Gypsy Moths

Moderator: Matthew Russell, University of Minnesota Department of Forest Resources

10:00 am Engaging Multiple Stakeholders to Revise the WI DNR Oak Wilt Guidelines
Linda Williams, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

10:20 am Evaluating Girdle Herbicide Method to Control Below-Ground Spread of Oak Wilt
Jed Meunier, Becky Gray, Kyoko Scanlon, Tricia Gorby Knot, Dustin Bronson; Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

10:40 am White-tailed Deer in the Upper Midwest: Interactions Between Deer Density, Invasive Plants, and Lyme Disease
Matthew Russell1, Christopher Woodalf2, Kevin Potter2, Brian Walters2, Grant Domke2, Christopher Oswalt2; 1University of Minnesota, Department of Forest Resources, 2USDA Forest Service, 3North Carolina State University

11:00 am White-tailed Deer: Indirect Effects on the Environment May Facilitate Forest Understory Invasion
Autumn Sabo1, Katie Frerker2, Don Waller1, Eric Kruger1; 1University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2U.S. Forest Service

11:20 am MDA Gypsy Moth (Lymantria dispar) Program Updates – Surveys & Treatments
Natasha Northrop, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

SOUTH HALL B1
Early Detection, Prioritization, and Response

Moderator: Kathryn Kromroy, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

10:00 am “Pathways Survey” for New and Emerging Invasive Insects and Diseases in Minnesota
Kathryn Kromroy1, Angie Ambourn, Jean Ciborowski, Angela Stoddard, Margaret Wiatrowski; Minnesota Department of Agriculture

10:20 am Priority Areas for Invasive Species Management: A Geospatial Model for Wisconsin
Jason Granberg, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

10:40 am Rapid Response to AIS - From 1 to 100
Bob Wakeman, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

11:00 am Development of Electrical Control Methods For Zebra and Quagga Mussels
Ashley Harmon, Alan Kennedy; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

11:20 am European Marsh Thistle: An Aggressive Wetland Invader
Emily Anderson, Wild Rivers Invasive Species Coalition and the Dickinson Conservation District

SOUTH HALL B2
Environmental DNA as a Tool for Early Detection

Moderator: Christy Meredith, Utah State University

10:00 am Integrating DNA-Based Data into Bioassessments Improves Our Understanding of Species’ Distributions
Christy Meredith1, Joel Hoffman1, Annett Trebitz2, Greg Peterson1, Julie Lietz2, Chelsea Hatzenbuhler2; 1U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2ORISE

10:20 am Challenges and Progress in Making DNA-based AIS Early Detection Monitoring Operational
Annett Trebitz1, Joel Hoffman1, Greg Peterson1, Erik Pilgrim1, John Martinson1, Julie Lietz2, Chelsea Hatzenbuhler2; 1U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2ORISE

10:40 am Expanding Larval Fish DNA Metabarcoding to All the Great Lakes
Erik Pilgrim1, Sara Okum1, John Martinson1, Joel Hoffman1, Greg Peterson1, Julie Lietz2, Chelsea Hatzenbuhler2; 1U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2ORISE

11:00 am A Comparison of Molecular Detection Methods for Bigheaded Carp DNA Copy Number Estimation In the Mississippi River
Craig Jackson1, Chris Merkes, Jon Amberg; USGS Upper Midwest Environmental Sciences Center

11:20 am Correlating Sea Lamprey Densities with eDNA Copy Numbers
Nicholas Schloesser1, Chris Rees2, Chris Merkes1, Craig Jackson1, Jon Amberg1, Justin Smerud1; 1U.S.
**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2016**

**Upper Midwest Invasive Species Conference**

**WEDNESDAY MORNING II: 10:00 – 11:40 AM**

**BALLROOM A**

**Using Novel Technology to Manage Invasives**

Moderator: Chris May, The Nature Conservancy

- 10:00 am **Minnesota’s Investment in Innovative Strategies for Preventing the Spread of AIS**
  Don Hickman, Initiative Foundation

- 10:20 am **Drones for Land Managers**
  Ben Yahr, Marek Landscaping, LLC

- 10:40 am **The Clean Drain Dry App: A New Reality for Outreach**
  Pat Conzemius, Wildlife Forever

- 11:00 am **Extension Using Mobile Technology, 3D printing & UAVs to Battle Invasive Species**
  Angela Gupta¹, Monika Chandler, Curtis Olson¹; ¹University of Minnesota, ²Minnesota Department of

- 11:20 am **Using Mobile GIS to Make Invasive Species Detection and Treatment More Efficient**
  Ryan Wnuk, Lance Nelson, Jameson Loesch; Cardno, Inc.

**BALLROOM B**

**New Developments in Biocontrol – 2**

Moderator: Monika Chandler, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

- 10:00 am **Biological Control of Invasive Phragmites australis: Right Around the Corner?**
  Bernd Blossey, Department of Natural Resources

- 10:20 am **New Bio Control Agent Development in North America, a Wyoming Perspective**
  Aaron Foster, Fremont County WY and North American Invasive Species Management Association

- 10:40 am **Taming a “Beautiful Killer”: Wisconsin’s Continuing Purple Loosestrife Biocontrol Program**
  Brock Woods, University of Wisconsin and Department of Natural Resources

- 11:00 am **Potential Biological Control for Invasive Knotweeds in North America**
  Jennifer Andreas, Washington State University Extension

- 11:20 am **Getting Release Permits for Weed Biocontrol Organisms: The TAG Process Revisited**
  Bernd Blossey, Department of Natural Resources

**SOUTH HALL B4**

**Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center: Priorities and Future Direction**

Moderator: Becca Nash, Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center

- 10:00 am **MAISRC’s Research Approach: Emerging Issues and Critical Gaps**
  Susan Galatowitsch, Becca Nash; Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center and the University of Minnesota

- 10:20 am **Control of Aquatic Invasive Animals in Minnesota**
  Przemek Bajer, University of Minnesota

- 10:40 am **Research on Control of Aquatic Invasive Plants in Minnesota**
  Daniel Larkin, Raymond Newman; Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center

- 11:00 am **Understanding Pathways of AIS Spread for Prevention and Early Detection**
  Nick Phelps, University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine and the Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center

- 11:20 am **Discussion Session**
BALLROOM B
WORKSHOP: Invasive Species Management (ISM) Track

Presenter: Mark Renz, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Are you interested in tracking invasive species management information? If so, ISMTrack may be a solution. ISMTrack is a cloud based software system to help land managers track and summarize invasive species management across sites and over time. ISMTrack is integrated with EDDMapS, a web and app based invasive species reporting system. ISMTrack can be used to track many invasive species management activities including: staffing, treatment method, travel time, volunteer or crew hours, weather conditions, completion dates and other critical information. Data can be shared, downloaded and analyzed to increase efficiency and improve invasive species management by a team and across organizations. The mobile-friendly design also allows for access and entry of data in the field, eliminating the need for office time during the field season. If interested in learning more about this resource (currently available in WI and MN) please attend this workshop. Participants will be introduced to ISMTrack and participate in a hands-on training session that will allow them to setup their land for use of this system.

BALLROOM A
Fire As a Tool for Invasive Plant Management

Moderator: Craig Maier, Tallgrass Prairie and Oak Savanna Fire Science Consortium

1:00 pm Prescribed Fire: Improving Our Understanding and Use of an Important, Imperfect Tool
Craig Maier*, Jack McGowan-Stinski; 1Tallgrass Prairie and Oak Savanna Fire Science Consortium,
2Lake States Fire Science Consortium

1:20 pm Fort McCoy — 20 Years of Prescribed Fire and Its Effects on Invasive Species Management
Dave Texley*, Nathan Tucker; Center for Environmental Management of Military Lands

1:40 pm Lessons Learned Controlling Woody Species in Prairies and Savannas in Southern WI State Natural Areas
Nate Fayram*, Matt Zine; Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

2:00 pm Frequent Fire Prevents Extinctions of Native Species, but Doesn’t Exclude Invasive Species in Wisconsin Prairie Remnants
Amy Alstad, University of Wisconsin-Madison

2:20 pm Panel Discussion
Craig Maier, Tallgrass Prairie and Oak Savanna Fire Science Consortium

SOUTH HALL B4
Upland and Roadside Vegetation Management

This will be a panel discussion with questions from the audience.

Dave Hanson – Minnesota DOT Integrated Roadside Vegetation Management
Jon Robaidek – Central Sands Field Ecologist – NHC/Land, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
Rick Schulte – Vegetation Management Sales Specialist with CPS; Herbicide Distributor
Lee Shambeau – Owner of 4 Control; Vegetation Management Company

Moderator: Lee Shambeau, 4 Control

This session will consist of a panel of experts who manage invasive plants in upland environments including roadsides. Hear about experiences on successes and failures from DOT and DNR staff as well as a consulting and herbicide distribution company. Panel members will provide detailed information on how to maximize control of common invaders while minimizing effort and cost. They will also answer specific questions on how to approach various problems the audience may have. Some of the invasive discussed will be Wild Chervil, Honeysuckle, Japanese Knotweed, Queen Anne’s Lace, Wild Parsnip, Phragmites, Leafy Spurge, Thistle, Tansey, Teasel, Vetch.
Can Removal of *Dreissena polymorpha* Alter Unionid Energy Stores: A Manipulative Experiment?
Lynn Bartsch*, Michelle Bartsch, Jason Veldboom, William Richardson, Byron Kams, Brenda Moraska Lafrancois; U.S. Geological Survey and National Park Service

The Lethality of Hot Water and Ozone on Aquatic Invasive Species
Riley Buley*, Terrance Hubert, Michael Boogaard; U.S. Geological Survey

‘PlayCleanGo’ Campaign Awareness & Impact on Recreationists’ Invasive Species-Related Attitudes & Behaviors
Susan Burks*, Melissa Peck, Ingrid Schneider; Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and the University of Minnesota

The Effects of Invasive Macrophytes on Turtle Community Structure in the Kinnicinnic Watershed
Crystal Carpenter*, Kevyn Juneau; University of Wisconsin-River Falls

Looking for a Home: How the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (*Halyomorpha halys*) Overwinters in Minnesota
Theresa Cira*, Eric Burkness, Robert Venette, William Hutchison; University of Minnesota - Twin Cities and United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Northern Research Station

Can Improved Water Clarity Enhance the Macrophyte Community After Invasive Species Control?
Melaney Dunne*, Raymond Newman; University of Minnesota

RIPPLE: Michigan’s Campaign to Reduce AIS Escapes from Pet and Pond Trades
Paige Filice*, Jo A. Latimore; Michigan State University

A Survey for the Parasitoids of Larch Casebearer in Minnesota
Allastacia Gebauer*, Brian Aukema; University of Minnesota

Glyceria maxima Identification & Distribution
Jason Granberg*, Brock Woods; Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and University of Wisconsin - Extension

Brock Woods will lead an Informal Phragmites discussion during the poster session in the plenary seating area.

Modelling Potential Habitat for Invasive Plant Species in the Oak Openings Region
Sara Guiher*, Jonathan Bossenbroek, Todd Crail; University of Toledo

Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention through Clean Trapping Practices
Todd Crail; University of Toledo

Progress Towards an AIS Early Detection Monitoring Network for the Great Lakes
Chelsea Hatzenbuhler*, Christy Meredith, Anett Trebitz, Joel Hoffman, Greg Peterson, Julie Lietz; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Biological Control of Canada Thistle
Jeanie Katovich*, Roger Becker, Mary Marek-Spertz, Monika Chandler, Laura Van Riper; University of Minnesota and Minnesota Department of Agriculture

Modeling the Potential Distribution of Garlic Mustard Biological Control Agents Using CLIMEX
Mary Marek-Spartz*, Roger Becker, Elizabeth Katovich; University of Minnesota

Morphological and Biochemical Variation in *Elodea* spp. in their Native and Invasive Ranges
Michelle Marko*, Ruth Sexton, Rebecca Dahl; Concordia College

Potential Invasiveness of the Amur Corktree in Minnesota
Daniel Miller*, Richard DeVries, Jan Malysza; University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum

Host and Climate Change: Factors Affecting Forecasts of a Polyphagous Invasive Moth
Amy Morey*, Robert Venette, William Hutchison; University of Minnesota, Department of Entomology and USDA-Forest Service, Northern Research Station

Rapid Response Actions Following the Discovery of Round Gobies in Little Lake Butte des Morts
Michelle Nault*, Bob Wakeman, Tim Campbell, Kendall Kamke, Adam Nickel; Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and University of Wisconsin - Extension
Evaluation of Large-Scale Low-Dose 2,4-D Treatments for Eurasian and Hybrid Watermilfoil Control Across Multiple Wisconsin Lakes
Michelle Nault*, Scott Van Egeren, Scott Provost, John Skogerboe, Eddie Heath, Tim Hoyman; Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Engineer Research and Development Center, and Onterra LLC

Dispersal Capacity of Late Instar Gypsy Moth Caterpillars (*Lymantria dispar*)
Rachael Nicoll*, Scott Myers, Jacob Wittman, Brian Aukema; University of Minnesota and U.S. Department of Agriculture

A Case Study of Multi-Agency and Public Partnership to “Nip an Invasion of Water Lettuce in the Bud”
Ruth Nissen*, Shawn Giblin, Deanne Drake; Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

Comparison of Two Genes to Identify Larval Fish Communities Using High-Throughput DNA Sequencing
Sara Okum*, Joel Hoffman, Greg Peterson, Julie Lietz, John Martinson, Erik Pilgrim; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and ORISE

Implementation of EAB Biological Control in Minnesota
Jonathan Osthus*, Monika Chandler, Angie Ambourn, Brian Aukema, Robert Venette; Minnesota Department of Agriculture and University of Minnesota

Fostering the Formation of Cooperative Weed Management Areas in Wisconsin
Michael Putnam; Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

In Characeae: “Everything is Everywhere, but the Environment Selects”
Robin Sleith*, Amy Havens, Robert Stewart, John Wehr, Kenneth Karol; New York Botanical Garden and Fordham University

Trophic Web Effects of an Invasive Predaceous Zooplankter on Walleye Fishery Lakes
David F. Staples*, Jodie K. Hirsch; Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Minnesota’s Plant Pest Quarantines: Regulations, Compliance, and Enforcement
Marissa Streifel*, Kimberly Thielken Cremers, Katy Longen; Minnesota Department of Agriculture

Too Cold to Move? Energetic Costs of Overwintering on EAB Dispersal
Dylan Tussey*, Brian Aukema, Robert Venette; University of Minnesota and USDA-Forest Service

Master Naturalists Making a Difference: Volunteer Impact Analysis
Christian Wood*, Angela Gupta, Andrea Lorek Strauss; Conservation Corps of Minnesota and Iowa and University of Minnesota – Extension

Effects of Azadirakhtin and Takomi on Some Biological Parameters of *Habrobracon hebetor*
Nooshin Zandi Sohani*, Fatemeh Rostami, Fatemeh Yarahmadi, Leila Ramezani, Karim Avalin Chaharsoghi; University of Khuzestan, Iran and Jahad Agricultural Organization of Khuzestan

A Biotic View of Lakes: Two Slow Motion AIS Wrecks
Paul Radomski

The Development, Validation, and Use of Environmental DNA as a Surveillance Tool for New Zealand Mudsnailes in Trout Streams of Wisconsin, Iowa, and Illinois
Emily Ziegler*, Christopher Merkes, Keith Turnquist, David Rowe, Maureen Ferry, Christopher Bees, Jon Amberg; U.S. Geological Survey, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

Triclopyr Persistence and Mobility When Applied as a Cut Surface Application
Eric Stein*, Mark Renz; University of Wisconsin-Madison

PROCCELLACOR: A Novel Herbicide Technology in Development for Aquatic Plant Management
Mark Heilman*, Ben Willis, Tyler Koschnick; SePRO Corporation

Be sure to visit with poster presenters Tuesday October 18 from 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm during the Poster Reception in South Hall A. Exhibitor passport raffle prizes will be announced!
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The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) coordinates work on all invasive plants, animals and disease-causing organisms of native plants and animals. The Department Invasive Species Team works together to develop and implement policy efforts, such as NR 40 - Wisconsin's comprehensive invasive species regulation. WDNR also coordinates with the governor-appointed Wisconsin Invasive Species Council. More information about WDNR’s invasives program can be found at dnr.wi.gov keyword = invasive species. Questions or reports of invasive species occurrences can be sent to invasive.species@wi.gov.

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Michigan’s Invasive Species Program is cooperatively implemented by the Michigan Departments of Agriculture & Rural Development, Environmental Quality and Natural Resources. The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources assures the food safety, agricultural, environmental, and economic interests of the people of the State of Michigan are met through service, partnership, and collaboration. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality promotes wise management of Michigan’s air, land, and water resources to support a sustainable environment, healthy communities, and vibrant economy. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources is committed to the conservation, protection, management, use and enjoyment of the state’s natural and cultural resources for current and future generations.

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The Wisconsin Coastal Management Program, in the Department of Administration, is a state-federal partnership with a mission to Enjoy and Protect Wisconsin’s Great Lakes Coastal Resources.

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The Iowa Weed Commissioner’s Association is an organization comprised of County Weed Commissioners and their deputies from Iowa’s 99 counties. Their goal is to promote better weed control in Iowa by: Annually providing pesticide certification training and continuing education to its members; Educating the rural and urban communities of Iowa on noxious weeds and invasive species and the proper use of herbicides; Networking with other professionals in the vegetation management field; Promoting biological or alternative methods of weed control; Expanding their ability to influence and respond to legislation.

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The Midwest Invasive Plant Network’s mission is to reduce the impact of invasive plants in the Midwest. Our network brings together government agencies, nonprofit and for-profit corporations, scientists, and private citizens across the Midwest to collaborate on projects and share information on invasive plants. MIPN’s efforts are focused on providing education on invasive plants in the Midwest; promoting effective prevention methods and early detection of new invaders; providing information on recent research that is relevant to management of invasive species; supporting the growth and development of Cooperative Weed Management Areas; and connecting states within our region to each other and to invasive species organizations at a national level.

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Now, more than ever, our world needs effective, sustainable pest management solutions that are safe for people and protect our natural resources. At Marrone Bio Innovations, we understand these challenges and are dedicated to delivering high-performing, bio-based solutions that address these daunting global issues. As experts at discovering, developing, and commercializing naturally derived technologies, we have created an industry-leading platform of pest control solutions that address these daunting global issues. As experts at discovering, developing, and commercializing naturally derived technologies, we have created an industry-leading platform of pest control solutions that address these daunting global issues.
management products that are used around the globe to help control pests while reducing the environmental pesticide load, decreasing chemical residues on food, and fighting the development of pest resistance.

Zequanox® is an environmentally compatible molluscicide for the control of invasive zebra and quagga mussels (Dreissena species) at all stages of maturity—from veliger to adult. Zequanox® delivers efficacy comparable to chemical solutions, but does not result in harmful impacts to the environment or other aquatic organisms when used as directed.

The Morton Arboretum, a 1,700-acre living museum, champions trees throughout the world through scientific study, conservation, and advocacy.
Our mission is to advocate for the protection, enhancement and restoration of Wisconsin’s rivers and watersheds. Our members are urban, rural and retired; anglers, paddlers and lovers of water and some depend on rivers to make a living. Together, our common interest is a shared passion for rivers and the inspiration they bring. We save rivers by advocating respectfully, but assertively, for rivers, bringing people to rivers so they experience their beauty and understand their threats, partner with, when appropriate, and challenge, when necessary, the government agencies entrusted with protecting rivers and we develop the ability of ordinary citizens and grassroots groups to organize their passion for rivers.

RMB Environmental Laboratories (RMBEL) provides state certified laboratory testing, field, and consulting services supported by committed customer service. Established in 1995, RMBEL has the expertise and years of experience supporting AIS monitoring, prevention, and education needs. RMBEL believes that is critical to maintain focused efforts while maximizing budgets. We have created service lines that help ensure effectiveness and success. RMBEL’s staff provides volunteer training, monitoring program development, lake assessments, aquatic plant surveys, zebra mussel veliger testing, AIS Risk Assessment Lake Report Cards, macroinvertebrate identification, and grant writing services. The RMBEL Lakes Monitoring Program supports over 500 lakes annually. We look forward to working alongside you as we all strive to protect Minnesota’s valuable water resources.

SePRO is a research-based life sciences company providing innovative products and services for specialty environmental and human health markets worldwide. SePRO is dedicated to discovering and developing sustainable solutions for specialty markets. We acquire, develop, manufacture, and market value-added products and services that satisfy the unique needs of our customers. In addition, SePRO has partnered with several of the top agriculture companies to develop technologies for use in our key markets. With solid relations already forged with some of the world’s leading product innovators will lead toward still more varied horizons. Wherever traditional or bio-rational chemistry can meet a small but vital need, SePRO will be looking to deliver the solution in an ultimately effective and economically viable way.

Michigan’s Invasive Species Program is cooperatively implemented by the Michigan Departments of Agriculture & Rural Development, Environmental Quality and Natural Resources.

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Early Detection and Response
Management and Control
Education and Outreach

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Reporting: www.misin.msu.edu
Social media: #notMispecies
Grants: www.mi.gov/dnrgrants
Three Shores Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area (CISMA) is a cooperative partnership of federal, state, tribal and private entities working together throughout Chippewa, Luce, and Mackinac Counties (Michigan) to properly manage invasive species that threaten local ecosystems, local economy, and overall quality of life. Species actively managed by Three Shores CISMA include Garlic Mustard, invasive Phragmites, Japanese/Giant Knotweed, European Frog-bit, Himalayan Balsam, and Purple Loosestrife.

The Upper Peninsula Resource Conservation and Development (UP RC&D) Council is a non-profit organization that serves all 15 counties in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. The UP RC&D collaborates with UP conservation districts, state and federal agency partners, regional non-profit organizations, and all five UP CISMAS to provide leadership for several UP-wide invasive species management projects. The Council has been involved in the management of non-native Phragmites and garlic mustard in the UP for the past 4 years. The Council is also actively involved in conserving and restoring coastal migratory bird habitat in the UP with funding from a North American Wetland Conservation Act (NAWCA) grant.

The University of Georgia Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health (www.bugwood.org) was formed in 2008 and is jointly housed in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences and the Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources. The Center exists to develop and utilize partnerships and information technology to advance invasive species management, integrated pest management and forest health. Specific objectives include: Developing collaborations among university, state, regional, national and international governmental and non-governmental partners; Integrating information, conducting applied research and developing programs; Producing websites, smartphone applications, publications, videos, presentations and other information technology tools; Providing a clearinghouse for content and resources; and Conducting outreach and training to promote public awareness. By providing ready access to relevant information and tools, the Center empowers stakeholders to make cost-effective management decisions that minimize disruptions to non-target organisms in the ecosystem and effectively control pest organisms.

WePIC Partners cover over 2.6 million acres, including over 700 lakes, and 150 public boat launches. We cover all of Gogebic County, Iron County, Ontonagon County, and the Ottawa National Forest in Michigan. We work with counties, local government and private landowners. Our goal is to control what is already here, and to prevent further spread into our area. By cooperating together, we can share resources and expertise across ownership and political boundaries to more efficiently manage invasive species.

Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers! (SAH!) is the internationally recognized public service campaign for the prevention of aquatic invasive species. As the operational lead, Wildlife Forever partners with thousands of agencies, organizations and groups in support of a collaborative partnership approach to raise awareness through consistent marketing, messaging and outreach. We welcome everyone to the Wildlife Forever SAH! booth for free outreach materials and encourage attendees to join the campaign.

Invasive mussels cost the U.S. billions of dollars and have catastrophic impacts to aquatic environments and industrial and municipal infrastructure. They continue to spread throughout North America and become a problem for any system exposed to an infested water source by clogging water inlets, pumps and pipes; obstructing flow; pitting pipes; straining pumps and other equipment; harming native species and negatively impacting the ecosystem. ZM Controllers aims to reduce the economic and environmental cost of invasive mussels with scientifically sound solutions. We have developed ZM-X, a simple, safe, and scalable control technology that is highly efficacious. We expect to serve irrigation districts, watercraft inspection and decontamination agencies, municipal water supplies, and power facilities. ZM-X is a real-world solution to a real-world problem.
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