INVASIVE SPECIES, WHY SHOULD WE CARE?











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WHAT IS AN INVASIVE SPECIES?

- Many definitions, most emphasize two main points
 - Not native to the area
 - Capable of causing harm
- USDA definition (2010): "an <u>alien species</u> whose introduction does or is likely to cause economic or environmental <u>harm</u> or harm to human health"
- Wisconsin (2009): A <u>nonnative species</u> including hybrids, cultivars, subspecific taxa, and genetically modified variants whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental <u>harm</u> or harm to human health"

WHAT DO WE MEAN BY NOT NATIVE?

 Species that was not present pre-European settlement to the United States



WHICH OF THESE SPECIES ARE CONSIDERED INVASIVE?











WHAT ABOUT HONEY BEES?





HOW DO INVASIVE SPECIES CAUSE HARM?

Causing impact or the potential to cause impact

- Types of impact
 - Economic
 - Environment
 - Human health





AN EXAMPLE OF POTENTIAL IMPACTS BUSH HONEYSUCKLE

Introduced late1890s

Dominates forest understories

Cause many impacts

Distribution of bush honeysuckles by county 2018 (www.eddmaps.org)

IMPACTS OF BUSH HONEYSUCKLE

- Economic
 - Slows timber regeneration 15-30%
- Environment
 - Outcompetes native species (extinct after 20 yrs invasion)
 - Poor resource for wildlife (trout and nesting birds)
- Human health
 - Good habitat for the lone star tick
 - Lone star tick carries disease ehrlichiosis

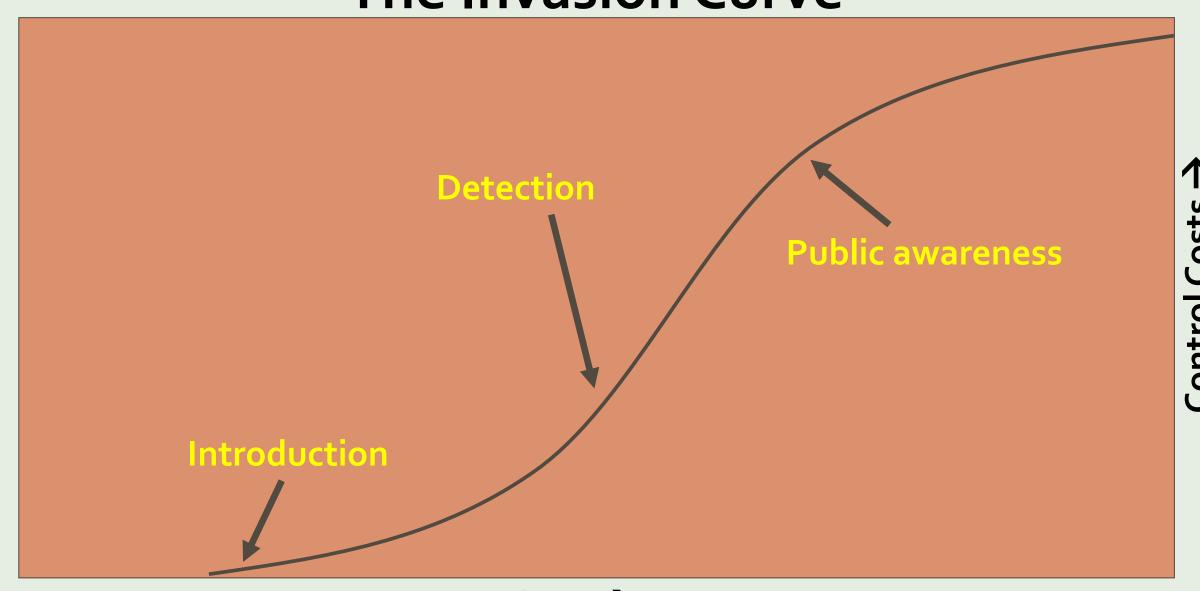


REGULATION OF INVASIVE SPECIES

- Federal
 - Federal Noxious weed
- State
 - WI DNR = NR-40
- Local
 - State noxious weed



The Invasion Curve



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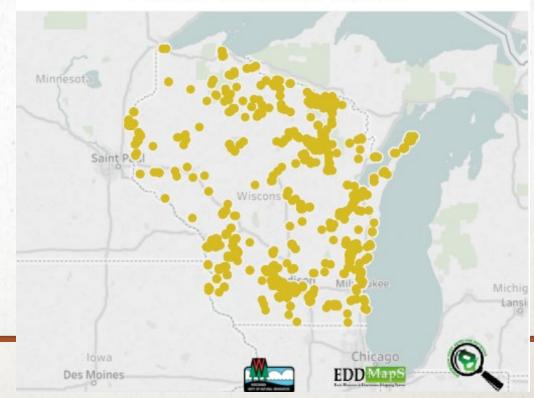
EXAMPLE OF A WIDESPREAD INVASIVE SPECIES IN WISCONSIN

GARLIC MUSTARD WIDESPREAD



MORE THAN 5,000 KNOWN LOCATIONS IN WISCONSIN

Wisconsin Shared Terrestrial Invasive Plant Presence Viewer



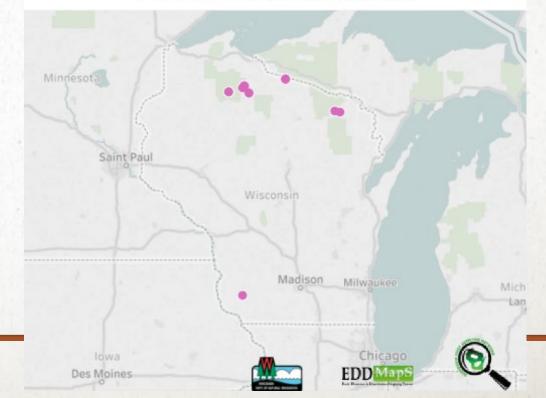
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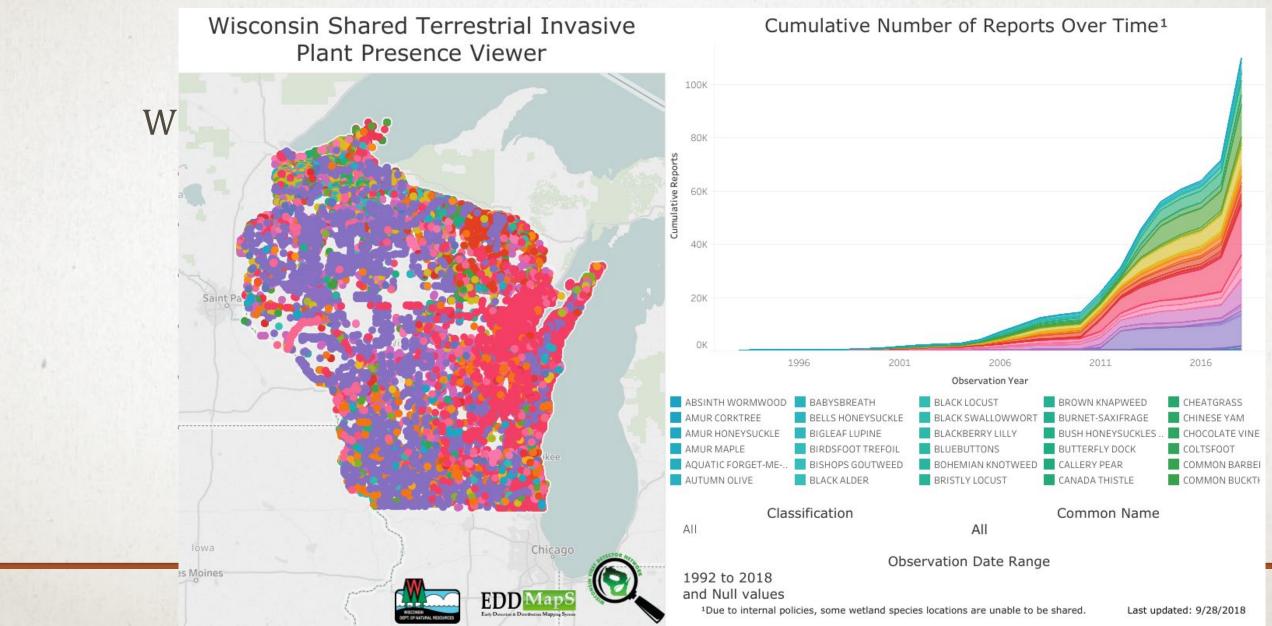


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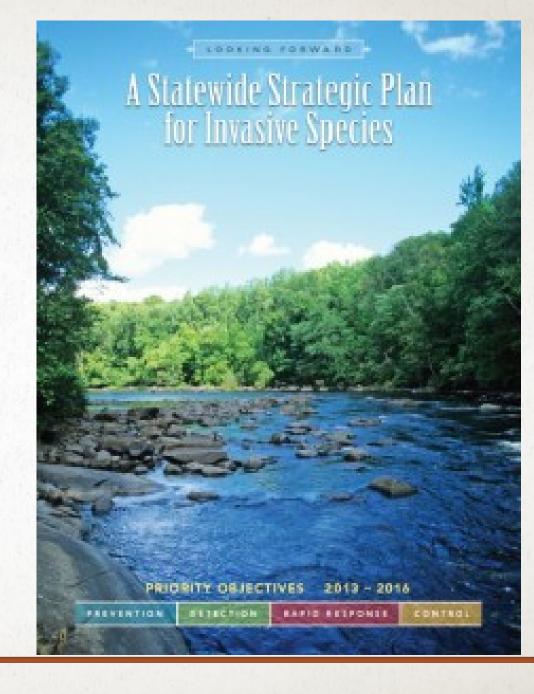
HOW BIG IS THIS PROBLEM?



ALL IS NOT LOST.....

Many parts of WI are not invaded

- Efforts have been to
 - prevent further spread
 - minimize impacts
- Limited \$\$\$ is available to conduct most of this work
 - Need to coordinate efforts among organizations/agencies
 - Train citizen scientists to help



WHAT CAN YOU DO TO MINIMIZE THE IMPACT OF INVASIVE SPECIES?

- 1. Educate yourself on invasive species
- 2. Report new invasive species observations
- 3. Work with policy makers to develop management plans for species of concern





A statewide citizen science network for invasive species detection and education

Main goals:

- Educate citizens
- Facilitate their involvement in volunteer activities related to invasive species

WIFDN RESOURCES FYI.UWEX.EDU/WIFDN

- Detailed information
 - Invasive species identification/management
 - Recorded webinars
 - Tools to help

- Newsletter
- In person workshops
- Volunteer opportunities



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News

October GLEDN Challenge

October is the last month of the 2018 GLEDN Monthly Challenge. October's challenge is to submit 3 or more reports of ANY invasive species observed in Wisconsin. You can submit reports via the GLEDN app, on the EDDMapS website, or by emailing WIFDNcoordinator@gmail.com.

The GLEDN County Challenge continues! Complete the County Challenge by being the first person to submit a report from a Wisconsin county! The map below shows counties from which we've received first reports in January - August 2018; counties in red had first reports in September.



I WANT TO:

- · Report invasive species
- · Access fact sheets and I.D. videos
- Report a Pigweed

SUBSCRIBE TO WIFDN UPDATE



Click the image above to subscribe to the WIFDN Update email newsletter. You will learn about upcoming events, species alerts, and invasive species



WIFDN Update September 20th, 2018

In this update:

- 1. Species Alert- Callery Pear
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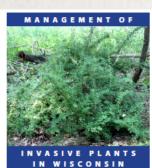
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Visit this **story map** to access species distribution maps, additional I.D. information, and priority species in your county

| Common Name | Scientific Name | Video | Fact Sheet |
|---------------------|-------------------------|-------|------------|
| Biennial thistles | | - | fact sheet |
| Bird's-foot trefoil | Lotus corniculatus | - | fact sheet |
| Black locust | Robinia pseudoacacia | - | fact sheet |
| Black swallow-wort | Vincetoxicum nigrum | video | fact sheet |
| Buckthorns | | - | fact sheet |
| Bush honeysuckles | Lonicera sp. | video | fact sheet |
| Canada thistle | Cirsium arvense | video | fact sheet |
| Common tansy | Tanacetum vulgare | video | fact sheet |
| Creeping bellflower | Campanula rapunculoides | video | fact sheet |
| Crown vetch | Securigera varia | video | fact sheet |
| Dame's rocket | Hesperis matronalis | video | fact sheet |
| Field bindweed | Convolvulus arvensis | - | fact sheet |
| Garden valerian | Valeriana officinalis | video | - |
| Garlic mustard | Alliaria petiolata | video | fact sheet |
| Hill mustard | Bunias orientalis | video | fact sheet |



DETAILED CONTROL INFORMATION



Brendon Panke and Mark Renz

nvasive plants can thrive and aggressively spread beyond their natural range, disrupting ecosystems. The Management of Invasive Plants in Wisconsin series explains how to identify invasive plants and provides common management options. Management methods recommend specific timings for treatment, as well as expected effectiveness.





Japanese barberry (Berberis thunbergii)

Tapanese barberry is a round, dense, spiny shrub, typically 2-3' tall, though it may grow up to 6' tall and 6' wide. The branches are reddish brown and deeply grooved with a single, sharp spine at each node. The wood beneath the bark is vellow. It spreads vegetatively through branches that root freely when they touch

Legal classification in Wisconsin:

A3924-34

All wild plants are restricted. Select varieties/hybrids are also restricted. Consult Wisconsin's invasive species rule (NR 40) for details.

Leaves: Alternate, 0.5-1.5" long, entire, and shaped liked a spatula with a narrow base and wide end (spatulate). Color varies depending on the cultivar, but includes green, bluish-green, or dark reddish-purple. Leaves are arranged in clusters above a spine.

Flowers: Mid-spring, Yellow, umbrellashaped, 0,25" across with 6 petals, Flowers are found along the stem individually or in clusters of 2-4.

Fruits and seeds: Bright-red, oblong berries, 0,3" long, Fruit are found on narrow stalks along the stem individually or in clusters of 2-4. Fruit mature in mid-summer and can persist on shrub into winter.

Roots: Shallow root system. When scratched, the inner layer of the root is by hand and larger bushes can be pulled using a leverage tool. Digging up soil surrounding larger bushes can facilitate spreading fruit to other locations.

European barberry spines occur in sets of 3, while Japanese barberry spines Ecological threat:

woodlands, oak savannas, wetlands, pasture, and meadows. Grows more vigorously on well-drained soils.

Seeds are readily dispersed by birds.

Similar species: European barberry

occur singly.

(Berberis vulgaris) is another introduced

Invades open and closed canopy forests,

species that is sometimes invasive.

Sites infested with Japanese barberry have significantly more deer ticks (Ixodes scapularis) than sites where Japanese barberry control efforts have taken place or where barberry is not

Non-chemical control Removal

Effectiveness in season: 90-100% Season after treatment: 70-90%

Pulling or digging up small- to mediumsized barberry any time of the year is an effective individual plant control strategy if soil conditions are amenable. Remove the root crown, as Japanese barberry resprouts from that area. Small bushes can be pulled plant removal. If fruiting, avoid movement unless material can be transported without



Detailed info on

- 1. Identification
- 2. Methods
- 3. Effectiveness
- 4. Warnings

Mowing

Effectiveness in season: 50-70% Season after treatment: < 50%

Mow or cut when flowering but prior to fruit production. Mow or cut plants as close to the ground as possible. Mowing or cutting will need to be repeated for a number of years to reduce established populations. Mowing resprouting barberry after initial removal of a plant can prevent reestablishment of the resprouting plant.

Prescribed burning

Effectiveness in season: 50-70% Season after treatment: < 50%

Spring burns can kill germinating seedlings and suppress aboveground growth of established plants, depending on fire intensity. After fire, established plants will quickly resprout and reinvade areas. Cutting barberry in spring, followed by a summer burn is the most effective burning regime. Burns must be repeated annually for 2-5 years to suppress established populations. A hand-held propane torch can be effective for treating seedlings or barberry plants that are less than 4" in diameter.

Chemical control Foliar

Apply directly to individual plants or broadcast across an infested area. Broadcasted foliar applications are typically the most cost-effective treatment in dense infestations. Use lower rates on smaller plants and less dense populations and higher rates on larger plants and denser populations, Absorption of herbicide can be limited with this species, resulting in reduced effectiveness. Including a surfactant at 0.25-0.5% can alleviate any potential reduction. If infestations are mixed with desirable vegetation, applications of herbicide without soil activity in the early spring or late fall can reduce injury to desirable plants, as barberry leafs out earlier and drops leaves later than most desirable vegetation.

dicamba + 2.4-D*

Effectiveness in season: 70-90% Season after treatment: 70-90%

Common name: Outlaw

broadcast: 28-44 fl oz/A (dicamba: 0.2-0.4 lb a.e./A + 2,4-D: 0.3-0.5 lb a.e./A) spot: 0.8% (dicamba: 0.01 lb a.e./gal + 2,4-D: 0.01 lb a.e./gal)

Timing: Apply when target species is actively growing and fully leafed out. While plant is fruiting is the most effective treatment time.

Caution: Do not apply directly to water or to areas where surface water is present. Use of this chemical in areas where soils are permeable, particularly where the water table is shallow, may result in groundwater contamination. Overspray or drift to desirable plants should be avoided, as even minute quantities of the spray may cause severe injury to plants. Rates > 16 oz/A (0.5 lb a.e./A) may cause stunting and discoloration of sensitive grasses, such as smooth brome.

qlyphosate*

Effectiveness in season: 70-90% Season after treatment: 50-70%

Common name: Roundup

broadcast: 1.5-3 lb a.e./A spot: For a 3 lb a.e./gal product. 1-2% (0.03-0.06 lb a.e./gal)

Timing: Apply when target species is actively growing and fully leafed out. While plant is fruiting is the most effective treatment time.

Caution: Use product labeled for aquatic use if potential exists for solution to contact surface waters. Applications can result in bare ground as glyphosate is not selective. Overspray or drift to desirable plants should be avoided, as even minute quantities of the spray may cause severe injury to plants.

Effectiveness in season: 70-90% Season after treatment: 70-90%

Common name: Escort

broadcast: 1.0-2.0 oz/A (0.6-1.2 oz a.i./A)

spot: 0.04 oz/gal (0.02 oz a.i./gal)

Timing: Apply when target species is actively growing and fully leafed out.

Caution: Do not apply directly to water or to areas where surface water is present. Remains in the soil for months depending on application rate. Overspray or drift to desirable plants should be avoided as even minute quantities of the spray may cause severe injury to plants.

Effectiveness in season: 70-90% Season after treatment: 70-90%

Common name: Element 4

broadcast: 16-32 fl oz/A (0.5-1.0 lb a.e./A)

spot: 1-2% (0.04-0.08 lb a.e./gal)

Timing: Apply when target species is actively growing and fully leafed out. While plant is fruiting is the most effective treatment time.

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SPECIES WITH FACTSHEETS

- Amur honeysuckle
- Asian bittersweet
- Bell's honeysuckle
- bird's-foot trefoil
- black locust
- black swallowwort
- border privet
- bull thistle
- Canada thistle
- common buckthorn
- common privet

- common teasel
- creeping bellflower
- crown vetch
- cut-leaved teasel
- dame's rocket
- European marsh thistle
- field bindweed
- garlic mustard
- glossy buckthorn
- hill mustard
- hybrid cattail

- Japanese hedge parsley
- Japanese honeysuckle
- Japanese hop
- Japanese knotweed
- Japanese stiltgrass
- leafy spurge
- Morrow's honeysuckle
- multiflora rose
- musk thistle
- narrow-leaved cattail
- plumeless thistle

- purple loosestrife
- quackgrass
- sericea lespedeza
- spotted knapweed
- spreading hedge parsley
- Tatarian honeysuckle
- tree-of-heaven
- white sweetclover
- wild chervil
- wild parsnip
- yellow sweetclover

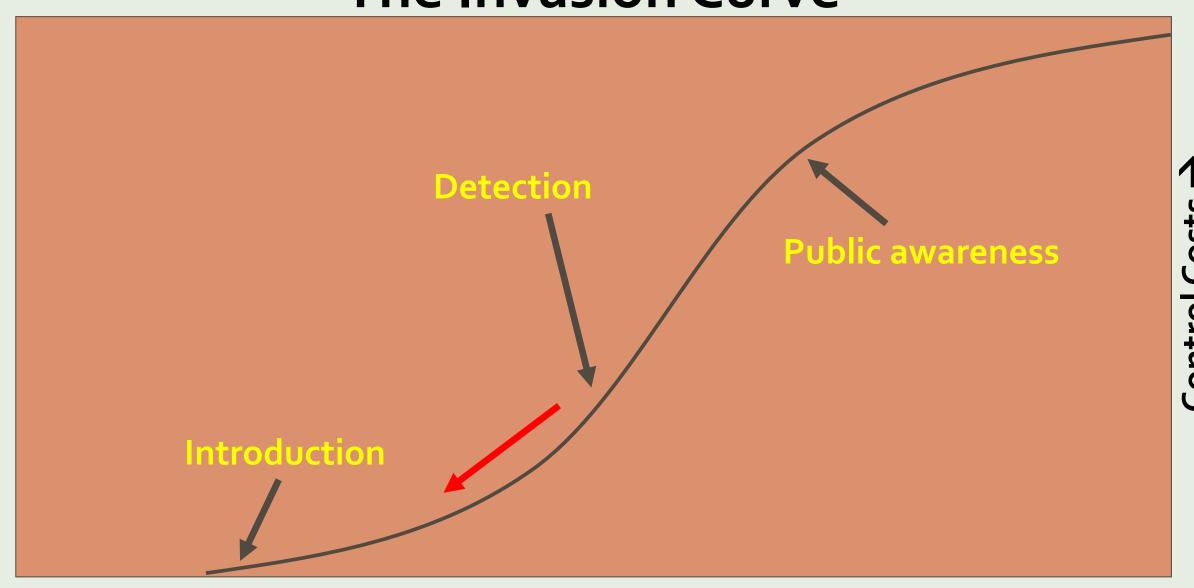
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poison hemlock

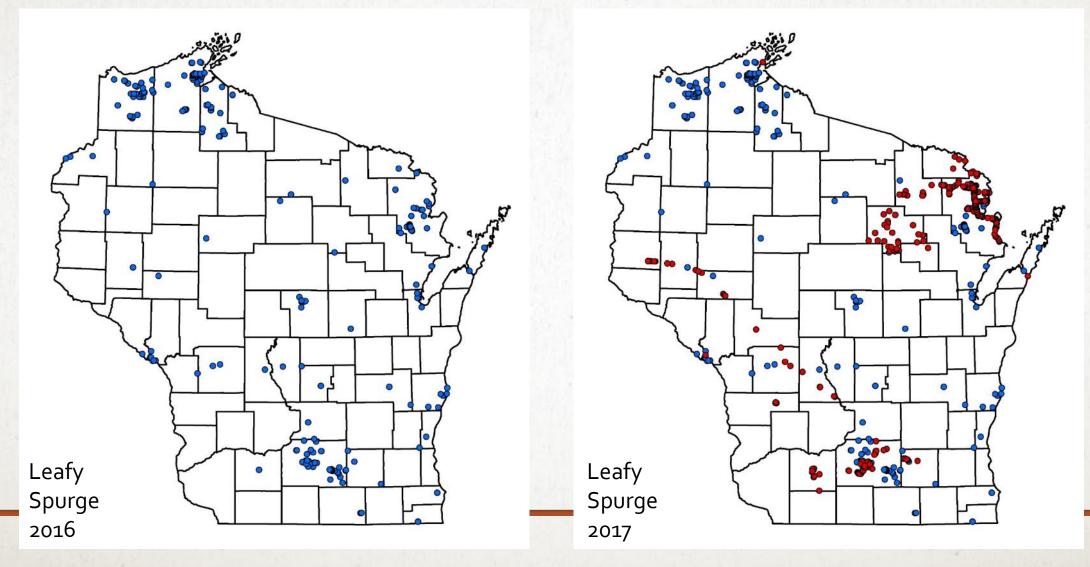


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IMPROVE KNOWLEDGE OF DISTRIBUTION



HOW TO REPORT INVASIVE SPECIES

MONITORING HANDBOOK AT FYI.UWEX.EDU/WIFDN



Home » Get Involved » Report Invasive Species

Report Invasive Species

New Check out our new handbook Monitoring Invasive Plants in Wisconsin.

You have several options for reporting invasive species. If you have a smartphone or tablet, the easiest option is to use the Great Lakes Early Detection Network (GLEDN) app. No smartphone? You can still submit reports through the EDDMapS website. You can also email WIFDN or submit reports to WI DNR. Read on to pick the best option for you!

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MONITORING INVASIVE PLANTS IN WISCONSIN



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INFORMATION TO REPORT

- Species name
- Date of observation
- Location
- Pictures of observed infestation





THREE WAYS TO REPORT

- 1) Online form on EDDMapS website
- 2) Great Lakes Early Detection Network (GLEDN) app
- 3) Email report to WIFDNcoordinator@gmail.com

GLEDN FEATURES

- Free!
- Maps invasive species
- Built-in field guide
- Reports verified
- Integrated with EDDMapS



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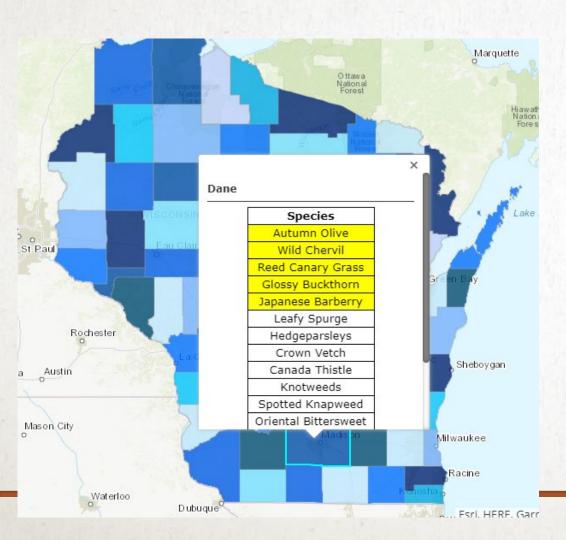
CITIZEN SCIENCE PROJECTS WITH WIFDN



- Plants that have naturalized; i.e. they weren't planted on purpose
- 3 options
 - Fill out form on EDDMapS website
 - Use GLEDN app
 - Email <u>WIFDNcoordinator@gmail.com</u>

More information on reporting provided at fyi.uwex.edu/wifdn

2. REPORT COUNTY PRIORITY SPECIES



- Access story map at fyi.uwex.edu/wifdn
 - Click on "Learn" tab, then on "Invasive Species Priority Map"
- Click on your county to view list of priority species

• Report species via EDDMapS, GLEDN, or email





3. POND WATCHERS

- Look for high priority aquatic invasive plants in park ponds
- Report efforts to WIFDN
 - WIFDN shares with AIS team at DNR
- Visit Pond Watchers page at fyi.uwex.edu/wifdn





4. REPORT A PIGWEED

- Learn about and report Palmer amaranth and waterhemp
- Visit Report a Pigweed page at fyi.uwex.edu/wifdn



5. CREATE YOUR OWN PROJECT

- •WIFDN is here to help you!
- Developing project
- Training participants
- Managing data

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Identification and Management of Invasive Plants in Wisconsin

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Japanese barberry (Berberis thunbergii)

Japanese honeysuckle

(Lonicera japonica)

Japanese hop (Humulus japonicas)

Japanese knotweed

(Polygonum cuspidatum)

Bohemian knotweed

(P. x bohemicum)

Giant knotweed (P. sachalinense)

Japanese stiltgrass

(Microstegium vimineum)

Leafy spurge (Euphorbia esula)

Multiflora rose (Rosa multiflora)

Oriental bittersweet

(Celastrus orbiculatus)

Perennial pepperweed

(Lepidium latifolium)

Poison hemlock (Conium maculatum)

Privet (Ligustrum spp.)

Purple loosestrife (Lythrum salicaria)

Quackgrass (Elymus repens)

Sericea lespedeza

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Spotted knapweed

(Centaurea stoebe)

Sweetclovers (Melilotus spp.)

Teasels (Dipsacus spp.)

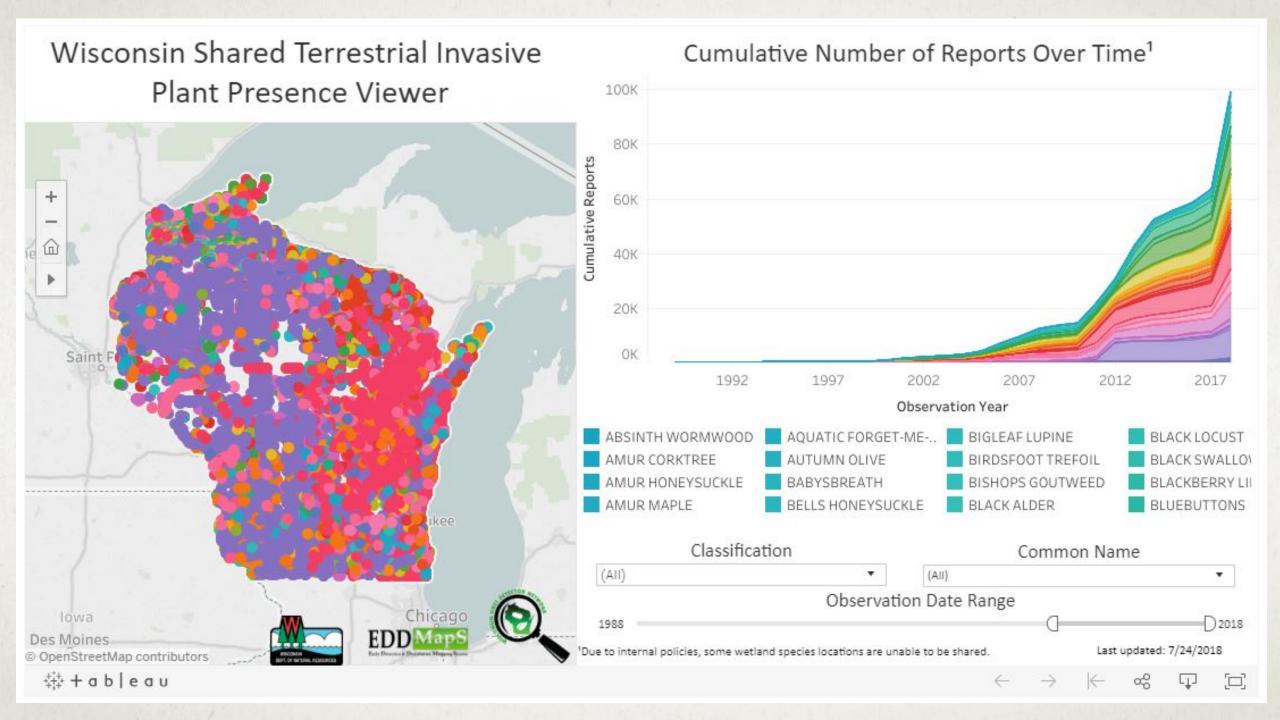
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Wild chervil (Anthriscus sylvestris)

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Priority Invasive Species Lists in Wisconsin

County Specific Priority Lists

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Canada Thistle

Common Buckthorn

Crown Vetch

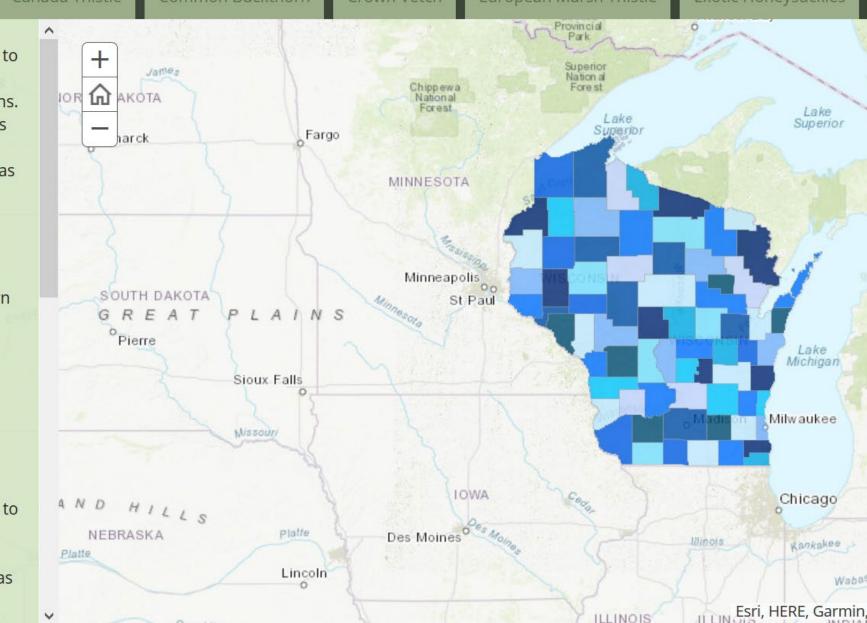
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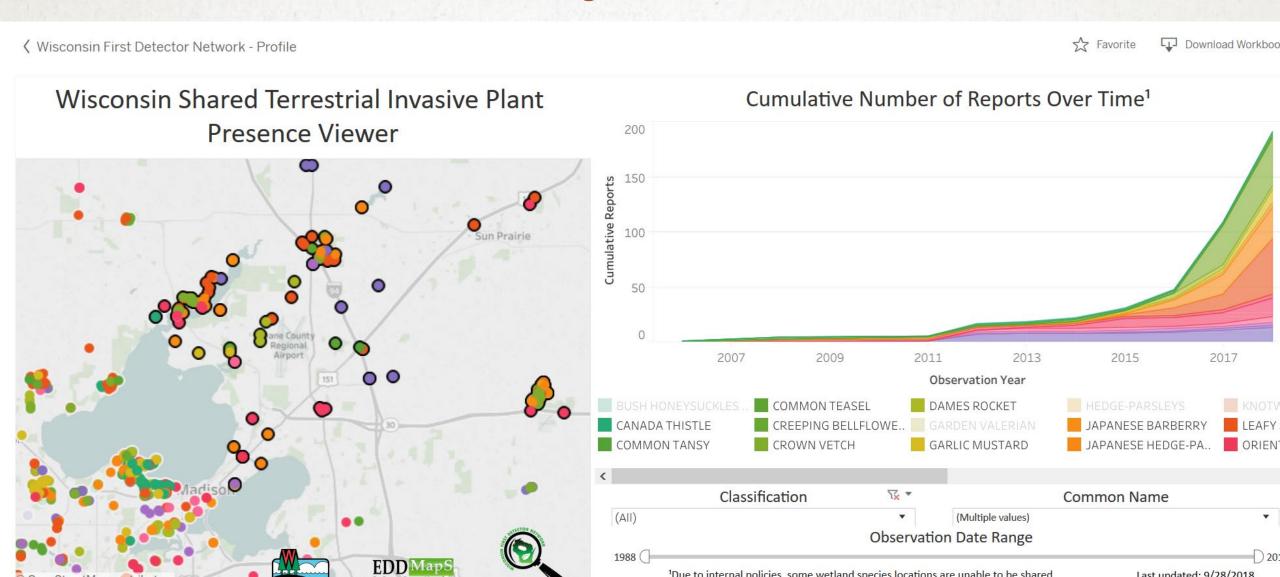
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If you are interested in getting involved with our project, we need help locating these (and other) species! Click on your county on the map to the right to find out which invasive plant species are of greatest priority. Species highlighted in *yellow* (high priority species) have been identified as those with large areas of suitable habitat in the county, but very few, if any,



SO WHAT SPECIES ARE COMMON IN NEAR HEADQUARTERS?



SO WHAT SPECIES ARE SUITABLE FOR DANE COUNTY?

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If you are interested in getting involved with our

SUMMARY

- Invasive plants are not native and have the potential to cause impact to the area
 - Regulation is mostly at the state level and varies widely among states

- Develop a plan to manage
 - Identification, distribution, selecting and applying control methods, monitoring success and adapting as needed
 - Lots of resources and people available to help

SOMETIMES NATIVE SPECIES ARE NOT DESIRABLE!

 Consider managing other vegetation when conflicts with goals/objectives





