

MCISWG Core meeting 9/28/17

Present:

Sean **Davison**, Matt **Modjeski** (DNR), Ryan **Swatek** (USDA NRCS), Mic **Armstrong**(NRCS), Megan **Mickelson**, Chad **Ziegler**(Monroe Co.), Bob **Micheel** (Monroe Co.), Jim **Raiten** (CSU-Fort McCoy) , Tyson **Langrehr** (Monroe Co. Highways Dept.)

Armstrong reported on outreach

1 Highway....separate document

2 Towns separate document

Invited speaker: Chris **Gaetzke** Lower Chippewa Invasives Partnership (Dunn Co) <https://lcinvasives.org/>

Started with spotted knapweed invading a prairie

Started a group nonprofits -loose strife

Events-pulls

Education

CISMA (Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area) -able to receive grants- First thing was a tool trailer 6 x12'

Outreach

Private lands work, fish and game work, schools, universities

Huge area

Citizens, retired folk-glue of the organization

Website-partnered U.Eau Claire

6 Target species

Private applications Lee **Shambeau**. 4 Control (Contract sprayer consultants based out of Menominee)

Drove around with Hwy people

5 counties

Resources Mark **Renz**, Kelly **Kearns**, IPAW <http://www.ipaw.org/>

Newspapers

L&W Internship

3M plant (Green Cert prog.) Mapped, inventory, Mgt plan, work days w employees

Anderson Reynolds? 1 day project

Became Non Profit, no membership fees bylaws, then donations really came in.

Governing doc. Guides meetings agendas monthly meetings (or lose thread)

180 on monthly email list

Local+Legislators, County board

End by Evaluate each meeting

Inv. Tours, school bus -invite public

Mapping-vol. groups

Meet 2-2.5 h usually 12 people

Farm Bureau meetings, booth at local farmers mart, NRCS-landowners funded

Landowner chemical program, \$150.00 funding, 3 sprayers available-success!

What to do after invasives-common misconceptions

Native plants-intern did a brochure

Japanese Knotweed-learned what did not work. What does? Milestone foliar application (labeled rate) after flowering.

Contact info-Phone FB, webpage, email

Tools, Safety glasses, safety vests, hand tools, sprayers

Action reports

Any Feedback from Hwy meeting? - **Langrehr** not really, worried about ground bees

Raiten- New species Diffuse KW. 6 plants in training are. White flower bracts. Milestone spray.

Crew of 8 (down from 12), pulled spotted Knapweed, buckthorn on compass course, fall treat GM rosettes w glypho.

Modjeski mentioned Andy **Haffele**. Matt was not familiar with Amur maple.

Ziegler, clearing back from logging roads in County forests.

Michelson trying to get grants to mimic Vernon Co. Chris recommended Kelly Kearn's grant list.

<https://www.mipn.org/Grants/>

Ziegler-need more private citizens involved Sean has public outreach in his position description.

Change time of meetings to later in day 2-4p.m OK.

Action-article on Knot weed- **Armstrong**

FSA newsletter could piggyback articles

Micheel all reach out to 3-4 people talk invasives invite to attend

Someone mentioned Vanquish herbicide??

Armstrong report on Pre meeting-present Chad **Zeigler**, Brian **Massey** (City of Sparta), Megan **Mickelson**, Bob **Micheel**, Jim **Raiten**,

Looked at Knotweed on streambank, by covered bridge. Jap beetles attacking and partially defoliating' Site in foundation of private residence, Mic-no mortgage in England. Megan- tricoplyr. Handouts from

La Crosse R. rip rap down from Perch Lake dam. **Ziegler** suggested using bucket truck to get in position to make aerial application.

Next Meeting October 25th Oct

12.30 p.m. Havenwood Road/Hwy 16 Parking area by the white bathroom

Glossy Buckthorn Management: Jim **Raiten**. All welcome

2 -4 p.m. Core Meeting. Monroe County Conservation, 820 Industrial Drive, Sparta- All welcome



