



Overview

June was a productive month for TIP. In June we wrapped up the brochure for the forestry industry which was part of a grant from the UW Center for Cooperatives. The brochure is available on the TIP webpage for anyone to view. If you are interested in getting copies to distribute please contact the TIP Coordinator. In June we also performed garlic mustard surveys on 22 properties in Langlade County which border the Recreational Trail system in the Augustyn Springs area. The surveys turned up several previously unknown infestations of garlic mustard as well as invasive thistles. Also TIP met with a representative of Lumberjack and the other area CISMAs, WHIP and WRISC, to discuss a user group based informational book we are generating together.

Educational Outreach

June Reach Review

In June TIP completed development of an educational brochure for those in the forestry industry. TIP initially printed 200 copies to distribute, and expect that partner and shared interest organizations will utilize the material as well. TIP was lucky enough to appear on the Breakfast Club, a daily morning radio show put on by 106.1 WACD out of Antigo. While on the air the coordinator spoke about the threat garlic mustard and wild parsnip pose. The Breakfast Club program reaches approximately 265 people. TIP is planning to make this a monthly occurrence. We also attended the Legend Lake Property Owners Association meeting, as well as the Legend Lake Faire on the 24th at which many people came through the TIP booth. Total reach for TIP is estimated at 503 people for the month of June. This is expected to increase in July with the Langlade County Fair next month.

If you have any interesting invasive species stories you wouldn't mind sharing, contact TIP and we'll see about sharing it!

Inventory & Control

June Review

In June TIP conducted surveys of 22 private properties in Langlade County. These properties were selected because they contain portions of the Langlade County ATV Trail System. The concern has been that Garlic Mustard has been spreading along the trail network. TIP discovered numerous infestation locations of Garlic Mustard that were previously unknown. The surveys also turned up an infestation of invasive European Marsh Thistle. Reports on these surveys will be developed and distributed to the individual land owners. TIP also assisted in pulling Garlic Mustard in Menominee County. A dense infestation of approximately a quarter of an acre was discovered off of Morning Star Road in the town of Legend Lake.

Invasive Species Spotlight: Poison Hemlock

Now that the weather is finally nice and people spend more and more time out and about there are numerous invaders people should be cautious of. One in particular is Poison hemlock (*Conium maculatum*), also known as fool's parsley. Poison Hemlock is noteworthy because it is toxic to humans and animals alike. So stay away! It can be identified by its many small five-petaled white flowers which form umbels up to 6" across. Which bloom between May and August. It is typically 4' to 10' tall. A single plant is known to produce over 30,000 seeds, allowing it to easily outcompete native plants. The stalk is hairless with purple blotches near the base. Leaves are compound, toothed, triangular in shape, and relatively large. Again this plant is poisonous to humans and animals so be sure to stay away.



Partner Updates

The Legend Lake Protection and Restoration District held their annual Lake Faire on the 24th. TIP attended and had a booth inside. At the table we had a lot of informational material regarding both aquatic and invasive species commonly found in the area. The Coordinator was also on hand to answer questions from residents of Legend Lake. TIP was not the only group representing the fight against invasive species there either. Alex Peters was in attendance and had his own booth dedicated to Garlic Mustard and its' impact on the forest. Also the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin's Office of Environmental Services was represented as well, and a lot of information regarding invasives found in the lake. Great job on a great fair LLPRD!!

Do you have a mystery plant? Or a suspected invasive species?

TIP and our partners are more than happy to help you identify any mystery plants you have. Just give the TIP Coordinator a call (715-799-5710 ext. 3) or email

Funding & Organizational Development

June Financial Review

Cost to support TIP are steady, now that the now coordinator has been in his position for some time. Ordering the brochures for the UWCC project took up the cost of supplies. TIP currently has over \$33,000 in funds available.

Category	Costs
Labor	2,762.50
Mileage	66.47
Supplies	136
Total	\$2,964.97

Upham

Currently TIP is engaging in discussion with the Town of Upham in Langlade County to negotiate a partnership. Town of Upham has set aside \$5,000 of their annual budget for invasive species inventory and control work. TIP wishes to pursue such a partnership with the Town of Upham.

Looking Forward

Coordinator's Focus

My focus will be shifting away from inventorying and toward control efforts. In the next month I expect to be working on controlling Wild Parsnip amongst other species. Also at the end of this month I will be working on pulling Policemen's Helmet in Shawano County. I will also be focusing on the Pathways project in cooperation with WHIP and WRISC.

Coordinator's Availability

I will be available to help out with an projects which come up, as long as I have a reasonably advanced notice. I will also continue to be working out of Keshena four days a week and Antigo one day a week. I will typically be in Antigo on Thursdays, but that may change as needs change.



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Important Dates

July

15: Langlade County Waterways Association annual meeting.

26-30: Langlade County Fair. Come stop by the Land and Water Conservation booth! Learn about issues relevant to land and water conservation in the county as well as invasive species.

September

16: Oconto County Fly-in

Check out the TIP Calendar Online at www.timberlandinvasives.org for more events!

How Can You Get Involved?

Action Teams

Action teams are meetings to discuss invasive species issues and plan treatment relevant to the member's area of interest. Who is a member of an Action team? Anyone willing to attend the meetings.

Volunteering

Volunteers help in the manual removal of invasive species from public lands and ditches within the CISMA, and are most welcome! Scheduling is flexible so please contact TIP Coordinator at the information below to establish a date and time you would like to volunteer.

Donations

For monetary donations, please contact Tracy Beckman at (715)369-9886.

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