



## Overview

With a much higher volume of rain this month, it has been difficult to get as much control work done as in previous months. Despite these setbacks in control, TIP has had a good month for outreach. This is mostly due to the Oconto Fly In and contacts within our area reaching out.

### Highlights:

- TIP coordinator, Alix Bjorklund, attended the Oconto County Fly In on September 15, with over 400 people reached in one day alone!
- Wisconsin and TIP say goodbye to Emma Gaither of Langlade County, who played an instrumental role in last month's very successful AIS Snapshot Day as she returns home to Arkansas.
- TIP and Langlade County verified the first known existing population of Japanese Wisteria within the county.



The view from beneath a canopy of Japanese knotweed.

## Education & Outreach

### September Reach Review

Thanks to the success of recent Facebook posts, a radio interview and the Oconto County Fly In, TIP has had a reach of over 800 people this month.

With over 400 people alone attending the fly in, the TIP coordinator was able to speak to many people regarding our presence and how we can aid our partners and citizens. Alix also went on the BK Breakfast Club with Gary Hartl to update on TIP's availability for educational events, and to say goodbye to Emma Gaither of Langlade County, who helped make AIS Snapshot Day back in August a success and has completed her term in the Land Records Department.



TIP's booth at the Oconto County Fly In.

Do you have an interesting invasive species story? Contact us and we would love to share it!  
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# Inventory & Control

## September Review

Despite difficulties working around the weather's schedule, TIP has completed significant amounts of control work!

We are at about the same acreage of control work when compared to last month, a majority of this has been on honeysuckle treatment as expected. Buckthorn has also been controlled, as this tends to pop up in the same areas. Roughly seven acres of honeysuckle has been controlled, with plenty of help from Menominee county's Jeremy Johnson and April Arrowood.

In addition to the control work completed, TIP was able to be part of the team, along with Chris Arrowood of Langlade County and Marty Bartkowiak of the DNR that verified a population of Japanese wisteria on a property in Langlade County.



A Japanese wisteria vine.

## Invasive Species Spotlight: Japanese Barberry

This highly tolerant invasive shrub can be a thorn in the side— literally! With spines in each node of this dense, low growing plant, this particular brand of invasive is not fun to remove or deal with.

Although the “parent type” of barberry is invasive, there are many varieties that are sold legally as ornamental vegetation and are not considered invasive. With fall coming, you may notice the red leaves and bright red berries, and it is very visually pleasing!

To treat infestations of this plant, a reliable method is using a foliar spray of triclopyr or glyphosate. However, to reduce use of pesticides, it can be effective to dig up plants or mow before seeds are set. Be careful not to run into this prickly plant, and if you do, let TIP know!

Top: Barberry berries and autumn colors

Bottom: A barberry



*Do you have a mystery plant or suspected invasive species?*

**TIP and our partners are more than happy to help identify any mystery plants you have. Just give the TIP Coordinator a call or email with your contact information!**

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# Funding and Organizational Update

## September Financial Overview

Despite predictions of higher spending in September, costs were trailing behind last month's by about \$260. Given this trend, the aim is to keep expenses around this amount for next month. With about \$17,000 left in GLRI Focus Area 2 funds, remaining control and inventory work will be covered to the end of this year.

Cost	September	Year-To-Date
Labor	\$3,152.96	\$17,417.39
Supplies	\$0	\$96.69
Mileage	\$204.12	\$1,764.18
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,357.08</b>	<b>\$19,278.26</b>

## Contracts and Funding

Good news from Oconto County this month— TIP has been given the go-ahead to begin surveying the town of Bagley forest roads for invasives. We are very excited to have the opportunity to begin an inventory of invasives for our partner. Work is expected to begin early October.

TIP will also be attending Lumberjack RC&D's meeting on November 1 in Florence, WI to support our proposal for a grant of \$8,752. This will aid TIP in general coordination, landowner invasive report response, website upkeep and of course, newsletter publications.

# Looking Forward

## Coordinator's Focus

The coordinator will be focused on beginning and completing initial Oconto County invasive species inventorying by the end of the month with the help of Dave Wiebelhaus. Mid-October, the coordinator will be attending the Upper Midwest Invasive Species Conference. Besides remaining control on honeysuckle and buckthorn, there is a lot of report writing to begin toward the end of the month.

## Coordinator's Availability

I will be unavailable October 4-8, as I will be on vacation. Additionally, I will be gone at the Upper Midwest Invasive Species Conference in Rochester, Minnesota from October 15-18. Besides these absences, I will be available as usual with minimal notice all weekdays.



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# Important Dates

## October

**15-18:** Upper Midwest Invasive Species Conference (UMISC) All Day, Rochester, MN.

**23:** TIP Steering Committee Meeting. 1:00 PM Keshena, WI. Steering Committee to meet at the College of Menominee Nation to discuss projects, funding, and goals.

## November

**1:** Lumberjack RC&D Quarterly Meeting. 9:00 AM Florence, WI. TIP will be presenting our Lumberjack RC&D Grant Proposal to the committee.

**Check out TIP's calendar online at [www.timberlandinvasives.org](http://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 the 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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