

Woody Invasives of the Great Lakes (WIGL) Summit
Schedule and Program
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UPDATE 10/14/20: The WIGL Summit has been approved for Continuing Forestry Education (CFE) credits by the Society of American Foresters. Attend all six sessions for 10.5 CFEs. Each individual session is 1.5 CFE.

Schedule (all times are Central Standard Time!)

Thursday, November 5, 2020

8:30AM - 10:10AM - Session 1: Welcome to WIGL! Who, What, Where, Why & How?

10:10AM - 10:30AM - BREAK

10:30AM - 12:10PM - Session 2: The Importance of Biology in Managing Woody Species

12:10PM - 1:30PM - LUNCH

1:30PM - 3:10PM - Session 3: The Trade Pathway - When Good Plants Go Bad

Friday, November 6, 2020

8:30AM - 10:10AM - Session 4: Integrated Strategies for Woody Invasive Control

10:10AM - 10:30AM - BREAK

10:30AM - 12:10PM - Session 5: Herbicide Control of Woody Invasive Species

12:10PM - 1:30PM - LUNCH

1:30PM - 3:10PM - Session 6: Public Perceptions & Engagement to be Part of the Solution!

3:10PM - 3:30PM - WIGL Summit Wrap-up

* The WIGL Summit is taking place during the [Upper Midwest Invasive Species Conference](#). UMISC registrants will have access to all WIGL Summit sessions and do not need to register separately. People who are only interested in the WIGL sessions should register using the linked page.

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Thursday, November 5th

Welcome to WIGL! Who, What, Where, Why & How?

8:30AM Welcome to WIGL!

Clair Ryan, Midwest Invasive Plant Network

8:50AM Restoring Invaded Forests: Ecological Impacts of Woody Shrubs

Sara Kuebbing, University of Pittsburgh

9:10AM What Does the Forest Inventory and Analysis Program tell us about Woody Invasive Species Distribution?

Cassandra Kurtz and Randy Morin, USDA Forest Service

9:30AM Woody Invasives of the Future Great Lakes - EDDMapS Predictive Tools Demo

Clair Ryan, Midwest Invasive Plant Network

9:50AM WIGL's Tools for Understanding and Managing Woody Invasive Species of the Great Lakes

Susan Franklin, Midwest Invasive Plant Network

The Importance of Biology in Managing Woody Species

10:30AM Nonnative Invasive Woody Species: What Makes Them So Successful?

Lauren Pile, USDA Forest Service, Northern Research Station

10:50AM Biology of the Callery pear (*Pyrus calleryana*) and Why it is so Difficult to Eradicate

Theresa Culley, University of Cincinnati

11:10AM Interactions between the Invasive Amur Honeysuckle, *Lonicera maackii*, and Overabundant White-tailed Deer, and Implications for Management

David Gorchov, University of Miami

11:30AM Some Native Shrubs can Mitigate Phenological Advantages of Invasive Buckthorn (*Rhamnus cathartica*)

Michael Schuster, University of Minnesota

co-authors: Peter Wragg & Peter Reich, University of Minnesota

11:50AM Extended Q&A

The Trade Pathway - When Good Plants Go Bad

1:30PM Indiana's Plant Assessment Process and its Vital Role in Development of the Terrestrial Plant Rule

Dawn Slack, The Nature Conservancy

1:50PM Use of Plant Sentry™ to Educate Consumers and Provide Plants that only Benefit the Environment

Tom Buechel, Buechel Horticultural Solutions and Plant Sentry, and Rachel Stewart, Plant Sentry

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2:10PM Mislabeled and Hybridization: Untangling Invasive Bittersweet (*Celastrus orbiculatus*) from its Native Relative (*C. scandens*)

David Zaya, Illinois Natural History Survey

2:30PM Sterile Cultivars: A Plant Breeding Approach to Invasive Species Problems

Mark Brand, University of Connecticut

2:50PM Go Beyond Beauty: Northwest Michigan's Approach to Invasive Ornamentals

Katie Grzesiak, Northwest Michigan Invasive Species Network

Friday, November 6th

Integrated Strategies for Woody Invasive Control

8:30AM Choosing the Right Tools for Mechanical Control of Woody Invasive Species

Chris Evans, University of Illinois Extension

8:50AM Directed Flaming to Control Invasive Plants

Jeffery Ward, Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station

9:10AM Integrated Management of Woody Invasives in a Remnant Forest Ecosystem

Kurt Dreisilker, The Morton Arboretum

9:30AM Prescribed Grazing for Managing Invasive Woody Vegetation in Eastern Hardwood Forests

Ron Rathfon, Purdue Extension

9:50AM Extended Q&A

Herbicide Use to Control Woody Invasive Species

10:30AM Choosing the Right Application Method for Woody Invasives

Stephen Enloe, University of Florida

10:50AM Choosing the Herbicide for Woody Invasives

Stephen Enloe, University of Florida

11:10AM Application Best Practices Lightning Round

Low-volume foliar application - Jim Bean, BASF Corporation

Hack-and-squirt/stem-injection - Jason Belcher, Bayer

Low-volume basal bark, cut stump, dormant stem application - Scott Flynn, Corteva Agriscience

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Public Perceptions & Engagement to be Part of the Solution!

1:30PM Best Practices for Public Engagement

Ken Donnelly, Beyond Attitude Consulting

1:50PM Engaging Private Residential Neighbors in Controlling Buckthorn to Benefit a Sensitive Natural Area

Mathew Ueltzen and Brett Peto, Lake County Forest Preserve District

2:10PM “Stop the Spread” Outreach and Engagement Campaign to Fell Callery Pear

David Dittmer, City of Columbia, Missouri

2:30PM Just Because it’s Sold Doesn't Mean it's Good - Using Landscape Alternatives to make Good Plant Choices

Clair Ryan, Midwest Invasive Plant Network

2:50PM Tweet! Post! Like! Using Social Media to Promote Forest Health and Invasive Species Awareness

David Coyle, Clemson University

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