

Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management Area (NCWMA) Meeting

Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center, Ashland

Thursday, February 10, 2009

Donut Discussion

Topic: 2009 summer field day calendar.

Farmer's Market – June thru August

MAY

- 21st -22nd : Garlic Mustard – Bad River /Copper Falls. Joint day with Upper Chippewa CWMA at Boyd's Resort(?)
- 27th -29th: Galerucella beetle collection
- Hogweed (probable)

JUNE

- 12th : Knotweed in Bayfield
- 24th – 25th : Spurge bugs in Washburn – Iron County potential release site?

AUGUST

- 20th : Galerucella Chequamegon sites viewing

SEPTEMBER

- 18th – 19th : Leafy Spurge in Washburn
- 24th – 25th (tentative): Madeline Island Blitz

NOVEMBER

- Prentice Park?

Business Meeting

Present: Colleen Matula (WDNR), Steven Spickerman (Cheq.Nicolet NF), Matt Bushman (Cheq.Nicolet NF), Heather Palmquist (Iron County Conservation Dept), Miles Falck (GLIFWC), Tom Fratt (Ashland County LWCD), Stefania Stralzkowska (Bayfield County), MaryJo Gingras (Iron County Conservation Dept) and Dara Olson (GLIFWC).

- WEEB Grant
 - Completed (1/2 time coordinator, working with local schools) - Colleen will send in today
- Northland College Career Fair & NR Professionals Mtg
 - Stefania/MaryJo/Miles/Tom will be attending the meeting after the career fair
- NW Lakes Conference (June 19th)
 - Bayfield County will have a booth, share with the NCWMA
- Working Lands Conference
 - Stefania will staff an NCWMA table/booth
- Farm & Garden Show
 - Stefania/MaryJo will staff an NCWMA table/booth
- National Weed Awareness Week – Feb. 22-26
 - Stefania will draft a press release for the local papers highlighting the week & the NCWMA
- Community Tool Shed Flyer
 - Need a contact – preferably at the NGLVC – Sarah Traaholt/Susan Nelson's intern? Ruth will follow-up
- USFS (Cheq.Nicolet) Potential stimulus money for CWMA's
 - Potential money could be used for a half time coordinator if someone could sponsor the person – Ashland County LWCD.
- USFS (Cheq.Nicolet) Interns
 - Will be hiring six summer seasonal (have to be returning students)
 - Please email Steven with names/contact information of any potential students

- GLIFWC Risk Assessment models
 - Developing models of suitable habitat by species
 - Prioritize areas to survey and treatment areas

Next meeting: **Tuesday, March 17th at the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center**. The donut discussion will begin at 9a.m. and the business meeting at 10 a.m. Donut discussion topic will be a discussion on working with Northland College (follow up from the NC meeting).