

Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management Area  
July 1, 2008 8am-9am  
Meeting Minutes by Carmen

Present: Darienne McNamara, Carmen Chapin, Stefania Strzalkowska, Isaiah Messerly, Matt Bushman

Hit list: Lots of wild parsnip was noted by Carmen along the lakefront trail between the powerplant and the Hotel C. Carmen notified Alyssa at the City.

1. Farmer's Market update: Going very well!!!! Lots of people stop by and ask questions. **Still need someone to sit at the booth July 12th.**
  2. Knotweed event on June 20<sup>th</sup>. 17 People participated. Good control was noted in last year's patches, but we are far from manageable levels. Most citizen contact was positive, Carmen did receive some 'negative' emails.
  3. Next effort is the August 22 Professional Day at the refuge/visitor center. There was discussion of having the morning be technical information and the afternoon be more of a show-and-tell. We would like to recruit city/town council folks as well as our state reps. **If you have any ideas for speakers/topics or invitees please send them to Darienne.**
  4. Some money is left in the budget for work day snacks. There was some discussion in saving the surplus for a thank you spaghetti dinner for all the volunteers at the end of the summer/ early fall. No decision has been made. Ideas, suggestions welcome.
  5. Volunteer match. We are beyond the halfway mark for match hours!!! Keep those numbers coming in. **Carmen needs your match hours since May 20<sup>th</sup>.**
  6. Future funding: Still looking for ideas to support next year's efforts.....
- Next meeting Wed Aug 6<sup>th</sup> 8am at the visitor center. No donut discussion.**