

## Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management Area (NCWMA) Meeting

Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center, Ashland

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

### Business Meeting

Present: Ruth Oppedahl (UW-Extension), Stefania Stralzkowska (Bayfield County), Tom Cogger (NRCS), Matt Bushman (Chequamegon-Nicolet NF) and Dara Olson (GLIFWC).

- Ashland Farmer's Market
  - Good feedback from vendors and public
  - Still need staff for the month of August
  - Tom has information on seed collecting efforts and will bring for the farmer's market info supplies.
- WDNR Conference Call – Crew Workshops
  - WDNR will be getting together a template or package for county/local work crew workshops
  - Carmen will pass the notes from the meeting to the coordinator
  - NR 40 should be passed this fall
- CWMA Coordinator
  - Interviews were conducted, references are being checked and the coordinator position should be filled very soon.
- Roles and responsibilities associated with the new coordinator position
  - Matt and Carmen drafted a list of responsibilities associated with the new position for the technical advisory, coordinator and NCWMA members.
  - Please review and respond to Matt with any feedback.
- Milestone is now available in quart size (spotted knapweed, thistle).
- Excellent press release for the ATV wash at Valhalla in the Ashland Daily Press in the June 20<sup>th</sup> Weekend Edition.
- GLIFWC released leafy spurge biocontrol beetles in northern Bayfield County.
- Ashland County watercraft inspector
  - Tom Fratt has accepted supervisory duties for a watercraft inspector for the Ashland County landings. This is one of the 55 watercraft inspectors financed through economic stimulus funds, and run through the Department of Workforce Diversity (CEP). They will be focusing her efforts on the Lake Superior landings in Ashland County, but also stationed occasionally at short bridge in Bayfield County and may do some spot checks on the inland lakes.

Next meeting: **Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at the Ashland National Park Service Office.** There will be no donut discussion and the business meeting will begin at **8 a.m.** Please note the earlier time and change of location.

### Upcoming Events:

**Aug 5<sup>th</sup>:** next NCWMA mtg

**Aug 20<sup>th</sup>:** Galerucella Chequamegon sites viewing

**Sept 11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>:** Madeline Island Barberry and Buckthorn Blitz

**Sept 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>:** Leafy Spurge, Washburn

**Fall** – Northland College Course – Special Topics in Natural Resources: Invasive Species