

Coastal Watershed Invasive Plant Partnership Meeting Minutes

November 6th, 2008 9am-12pm US Forest Service Field Office, Durham

Attendees:

Kevin Lucey, nhcp
Dave Burdick, unh
Florence Peterson, usfs

Brooke Smart, nracs
Christine Perron, NHDOT

Doug Cygan, NH Dept Ag.
Rachel Johnson

CWIPP UPDATES

1) Student Conservation Association (SCA) Intern

NRCS has hired an SCA intern. Brook indicated that roughly 50% of the intern's time will be dedicated to CWIPP activities. The intern:

- will help research and compile species specific control techniques for identified species;
- will map properties for invasives using WIMS.

2) Funding Status

NHCP funds:

The NHCP applied to NOAA for assorted CWIPP projects including: 1) creation of the cwipp management plan, 2) perennial pepperweed patrol, 3) community supported restoration of Odiorne state park. The proposal was denied because source funds were dedicated strictly to Federal Trust Species.

Mooseplate grant

The NHCP, Seacoast Science Center, and The Nature Conservancy submitted a combined proposal for invasives control at Odiorne Point State Park and Lubberland Creek. The total submission was for 45,000.

3) Other CWIPP Stuff:

- NHACC Conference Presentation: Kevin Lucey presented about CWIPP at the NH Association of Conservation Commissions.
- NHCP will start designing a website and will host the CWIPP website for the time being.
- Rachel Stevens was approached by the Lamprey River Watershed Association about presenting their knotweed control project to the Partnership. **Action:** Kevin to invite LWRA to the next meeting.

Subcommittee Breakout Sessions

1) Treatment, Control and Disposal subcommittee

- The goal of the subcommittee is to create species-specific control techniques.
- Members of this subcommittee researched control techniques for: pepperweed, knotweed, buckthorn, phragmites, loosestrife, bittersweet.
- The objective of this effort is to be incorporated into the management plan and to be used as stand alone fact sheets.
- After discussion, it was determined that a standardized format for this presenting information needs to be developed. **Action:** Christine and Kevin will develop a format, which will be distributed to the subcommittee.
- The NRCS intern will assist with researching the additional species.
- Doug cygan mentioned a good website for pesticide information information:
<http://state.ceris.purdue.edu/>