



Ottawa National Forest

2013 Invasive Species Accomplishments

Control emphasized garlic mustard, Japanese barberry, exotic honeysuckles, glossy buckthorn, Eurasian watermilfoil, and purple loosestrife. Work was accomplished by a seasonal crew, partners, contractors, and volunteers. 178 new invasive plant sites were mapped.

Great Lakes Restoration Initiative projects:

- Five portable pressure washers staffed at boat launches across the Western Upper Peninsula. 8,665 people received Clean Boats/Clean Waters education for prevention of aquatic invasive species; 1,471 boats washed.
- Self-service boat washer at Hagerman Lake began operations.
- Contracted surveys in 25 lakes for AIS.
- Provided coordinators for two Cooperative Weed Management Areas (WePIC and KISMA).



Debut of new boat washing station at Hagerman Lake.

Title II Resource Advisory Committees:

Funded two ongoing invasive plant projects: Friends of Sylvania again hired three seasonals to survey and control invasive plants in Sylvania Wilderness. New aquatic invasive boat launch signs were installed in Ontonagon County.

Stewardship Contracting:

Awarded a contract and began treating 126 acres of exotic honeysuckle in Gogebic County.



USFS & CK Invasives work on a Stewardship Contract

Biocontrol success: 2013 witnessed our first recapture of knapweed root weevil; first released by USFS in 2010.



Acres of invasive species treated			
Fund Code	Funding	Acres	Comments
CWKV	\$4,050	2.5	Honeysuckle & J barberry.
NFND	\$0	7.8	Partner contributions.
NFWW	\$154,888	1220	Main program; 3 seasonals
NFXF	\$63,225	12.8	Great Lakes Restoration Init.
SRS2	\$7,803	196	Friends of Sylvania RAC
SSCC	\$6,173	54	Honeysuckle stewardship
Total	\$236,139	1493	

Partners/Cooperators: Gogebic Cons. District, Iron County Cons. District, Upper Peninsula Resource Cons. & Develop. Council, Western UP Invasives Coalition, Keweenaw Invasive Species Management Area, Invasive Species Control Coalition of Watersmeet, Bergland Township, Friends of Sylvania, Yellow Dog Watershed Preserve.

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