

People-Powered Projects

National Cooperative Weed Management Area Conference

Grand Sierra Resort • Reno, Nevada • April 2008

Agenda

Monday, April 14 – Reno Ballroom		
5:00 – 10:00 p.m.	Registration & Attendee Display Set-up	
Tuesday, April 15 – Reno Ballroom		
7:00 a.m.	Registration (adjacent to the Reno Ballroom)	Dianne Brokke, Center for Invasive Plant Management
8:00 a.m.	Welcome	Janet Clark and Liz Galli-Noble, Center for Invasive Plant Management, MT
8:15 a.m.	Opening address	Tony Lesperance, Director, Nevada Department of Agriculture
8:30 a.m.	Addressing the Big Questions Moderator: Rita Beard	Rita Beard, National Park Service, CO CWMAs: A community-based environmental movement Steve Schoenig, CA Dept Fish & Game CWMAs: The Good, the Bad, and the AWESOME Kate Howe, Midwest Invasive Plant Network, IN Adapting the Western CWMA Concept for Effective Invasive Plant Partnerships in the East Rosalind Rowe, The Nature Conservancy, FL Think Locally, Act Neighborly: Managing Invasive Species Across Boundaries in Florida
9:45 a.m. BREAK		
10:15 a.m. Our CWMAs – 1-minute presentations AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL		
10:30 a.m.	CWMA Funding Moderator: Brian Bowen	Doug Holy, Natural Resources Conservation Service Potential Funding Sources for CWMAs Panel: Cynthia Taylor, Chicopee Woods CWMA, GA Dara Olson / Northwoods CWMA, WI Mark Porter / Wallowa Resources' Wallowa Canyonlands Partnership, OR
11:45 a.m. Our CWMAs – 1-minute presentations GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, ME, MD		

12:00 p.m. LUNCH on your own		
1:30 p.m.	Working with Volunteers Moderator: Cynthia Boettner	Clark Tate , Tamarisk Coalition, CO Creating & Sustaining the McInnis Canyons Volunteer Program Cynthia Boettner , U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, MA U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Volunteers: Snapshots of Programs at the National Level, New England, and the Connecticut River Watershed Damon Waitt , Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, TX Invaders of Texas: Citizen Scientists Combat Invasive Species
2:45 p.m. Our CWMA's - 1-minute presentations MA, MI, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ		
3:00 p.m. BREAK		
3:30 p.m. Our CWMA's - 1-minute presentations NM, NY, NC, ND, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD		
3:45 p.m.	CWMA Organization & Logistics Moderator: Kate Howe	PANELISTS Chris Evans , Illinois Tom Perkins , New Mexico Terri Hogan , Tennessee Jeffrey Pettingill , Idaho
5:00 p.m.	Topper Moderator: Jamie Nielsen	Dialogue on questions of the day
6:00 p.m. RECEPTION - Display Area		
Wednesday, April 16 - Reno Ballroom		
7:00 a.m.	Registration	Dianne Brokke , CIPM
8:00 a.m.	Welcome back, announcements	Janet Clark and friends
8:20 a.m.	Mapping and Inventory Moderator: Mara Johnson	Mara Johnson , CIPM, MT Fundamentals of Inventory and Survey Methods Mandy Tu , The Nature Conservancy, OR Application tools for invasive weed mapping, inventory, data aggregation and sharing, EDRR and on-the-ground decision-making: WIMS (TNC's Weeds Information Management System) and iMapInvasives Chris Evans , on behalf of Bugwood, GA Mapping and Detecting Invasive Species on a Regional Scale Using the EDDMapS Model Alycia Crall , Univ WI-Madison and NIISS, IL Integrating Invasive Species Data: Solutions for Data Collection, Management, and Dissemination
9:50 a.m. Our CWMA's - 1-minute presentations TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY		

10:00 a.m. BREAK		
10:30 a.m.	Early Detection Rapid Response Moderator: Gino Graziano	Gino Graziano , Alaska SWCDs Citizen Monitoring for Invasive Plants: A Component of an Early Detection and Rapid Response Program for Alaska Bonnie Rasmussen , Oregon Dept of Agriculture Invasive Spartina: EDRR in Oregon Tony Pernas , National Park Service, FL Florida Upland Invasive Plant Program, a Cooperative Success Story (G. Jubinsky/FDEP) Doug Johnson , Cal-IPC, CA Predicting weed spread to aid early detection
12:00 p.m. LUNCH on your own		
1:30 p.m.	Awareness & Outreach Moderator: Jamie Nielsen	Connie Bollinger , Center for Invasive Plant Management, MT User-Friendly Websites Ellen Jacquart , The Nature Conservancy, IN TNC: Education and Outreach with the Nursery and Greenhouse Industry Sue Donaldson , Univ of NV Cooperative Extension Evaluating Your Program: How Do You Know If It Worked? Lori Zaumseil , CANWIN, AK Invasive Plants Awareness with Legislators and Policy Makers
3:00 p.m. BREAK		
3:30 p.m.	Laws & Policy Moderator: Doug Johnson	Peter Rice , Univ. of Montana Model State Weed Law Jamie Nielsen, Gino Graziano, Lori Zaumseil New Weed Legislation in Alaska Lee VanWychen , Weed Science Society of America, Washington, DC National Issues of Importance to CWMA's Doug Johnson , Cal-IPC, CA Role of WMAs in State and Federal Policy
5:00 p.m.	National "Who's Who" Roundtable Regional and national organizations you should know Moderator: Rita Beard	FICMNEW USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service USDI Bureau of Land Management USDI National Park Service US Forest Service National Invasive Species Council North American Weed Management Association National Assoc. of Exotic Pest Plant Councils Weed Science Society of America Western Weed Coordinating Committee
6:30 p.m. BANQUET - Tahoe Room Bob Parsons - Greater Yellowstone CWMA - The Granddaddy of Them All Recognition and Awards		
Thursday, April 17 - Load buses outside hotel		
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	FIELD TRIP Morning - Swan Lake Afternoon - McCarran Ranch	Dawn Rafferty , NV Department of Agriculture and colleagues