

Minutes
Ramsey County Cooperative Weed Management Area Meeting
Monday, February 27, 2017; 12:00 pm – 3:00 p.m.

University of MN Bell Herbarium, Biological Sciences room 875
1445 Gortner Ave, St Paul, MN 55108
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I. Call to order and introductions, 12:10 pm

- A. In attendance: Simba Blood, Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District; Mary Lee, Minnesota National Guard; Emily Dunlap and Brett Stolpestad, Saint Paul Parks and Recreation; Monika Chandler, Minnesota Department of Agriculture; Dave Hanson, Minnesota Department of Transportation; Laura Van Riper, MNDNR; Dana Larsen-Ramsey, H.B. Fuller Company/Willow Lake Preserve; Carole Gernes, Ramsey County CWMA.

II. Partner updates

- A. Ramsey Conservation District/RCCWMA; Carole updated the group on:
1. Two 2017 Invasive Plant Patrol citizen monitor trainings scheduled
 - a. Tamarack Nature Center, White Bear Township, Saturday, April
 - b. North St. Paul City Hall, Monday, May 22, 6:30- 8:30 pm
 - c. City of North St. Paul (\$1000 program contribution) and Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District (\$10,000 support for coordinator position).
 - d. Funding to hire contractor to treat 10 high priority infestations this year (through BWSR CWMA grant). Carole made copies of the list of areas and species to be treated, with a map of locations (see addendum).
- B. Minnesota Noxious Weed Advisory Committee/Minnesota Noxious Weed List updates:
1. Laura reported that the 17 year research on garlic mustard biocontrols is complete. The weevil *Ceutorhynchus scrobicollis* has been approved by committee for release. We are still waiting for sign-off by the USDA Commissioner. It will likely still be two more years until it is available.
 2. Phragmites will remain on the restricted list.
 3. Diffuse knapweed was added to the eradicate list.
 4. Common barberry was moved to the control list.
 5. Restricted ornamentals include tree of heaven, porcelain berry, wild carrot (Queen Ann's lace) and Amur, Morrow's, Bell and Tatarian honeysuckles. There is a new MDA supervisor for seeds. One task is to limit sales of wild carrot in MN.
 6. Amur maple is now specially regulated; a label is required on each pot: do not plant within so many feet of natural areas. Labels tend to reduce sales in general. Use for shelter belts will stop; no longer available through Soil and Water District tree sales.
 7. Japanese knotweed risk assessment did not get finished in time for this round. It is undergoing seed germination trials now. Germination appears to be robust.
- C. Other partner updates: Laura asked Monika to share a photo of label compliance goals.

III. Action Items

- A. Adjustments to CWMA grant priority list if necessary. *Torilis* and *Cardamine* infestations at Battle Creek may be too widespread to contract out for treatment. Emily will email the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation high priority infestations.

IV. Open discussion and perusing of pulled herbarium specimens:

- A. Review of plant pressing, labeling information and pressed herbarium specimens. Pulled vouchers included Japanese barberry, *Berberis thunbergii*; common barberry, *B. vulgaris*; wintergreen barberry, *B. julianae* C. K. Schneid; Japanese knotweed, *Polygonum cuspidatum* (synonym *Reynoutria japonica*); giant knotweed, *Polygonum sahalinensis* (synonym *Reynoutria sahalinensis*); Bohemian knotweed, *Polygonum x bohemicum* (synonym *Reynoutria x bohemicum*); Elecampane, *Inula Britannica*; British yellowhead, *Inula Britannica*; giant hogweed, *Heracleum mantegazzianum*; poison hemlock, *Conium maculatum*; wild chervil, *Anthriscus sylvestris*; three species of baby's breath, *Gypsophila paniculata*, *G. muralis* and *G. elegans*; Burnet saxifrage, *Pimpinella saxifraga*; garden valerian, *Valeriana officinalis*; Queens Ann's-lace, *Daucus carota*; Japanese hedge-parsley, *Torilis japonica*; spreading hedge-parsley, *Torilis arvensis*; Bishop's goutweed, *Aegopodium podagraria*; invasive common reed, *Phragmites australis australis*; and native common reed, *P. australis americanus*.
- B. Voucher specimen examination, compare and contrast handouts:
 - 1. To compliment vouchers, Carole made copies of Montana State University Extension's May 2015 Monthly Weed Post: Baby's Breath, *Gypsophila paniculata*, http://msuinvasiveplants.org/documents/extension/weed_posts/2015/May_babys_breath.pdf) and
 - i. Weed Control in Natural Areas in the Western United States; Baby's Breath: http://wric.ucdavis.edu/information/natural%20areas/wr_G/Gypsophila.pdf
- C. Partners who brought pressed plants left them for vouchers
- D. Suggestions for next meeting: place, activities, four suggestions included a possible tour and knapweed biocontrol transfer to new locations within AHATS or another meeting at the herbarium.

V. Set next meeting date and location:

- A. Carole will set up another Doodle poll for our next meeting; likely in June or July.

VI. Adjourn meeting, 2:50 pm.

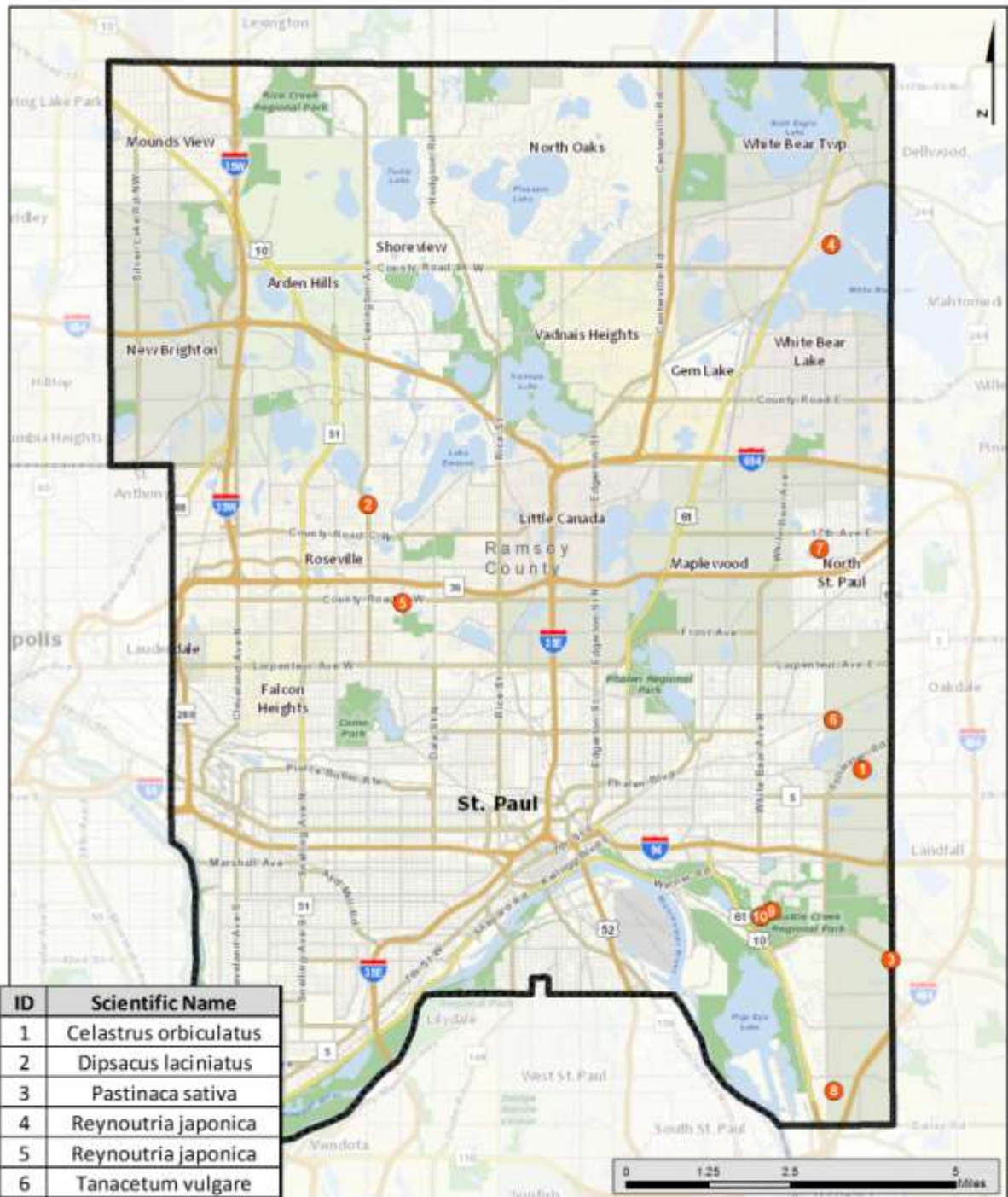
VII. Addendum; Ramsey County CWMA 2016 High Priority Infestations for Treatment

A. List

RAMSEY COUNTY CWMA 2016 HIGH PRIORITY INFESTATIONS FOR TREATMENT

Celastrus	orbiculatus	oriental bittersweet	44.96896	-92.9935	Maplewood Nature Center; Maplewood
Dipsacus	laciniatus	cutleaf teasel	45.0270642	- 93.146853	C2 and Lexington; Roseville
Pastinaca	sativa	wild parsnip	44.9271414	- 92.984725	NW corner Ponds at Battle Creek Golf; Maplewood
Reynoutria	japonica	Japanese knotweed	45.0843592	- 93.003176	NW shoreline of White Bear Lake
Reynoutria	japonica	Japanese knotweed	45.00543	-93.13614	Tax forfeit land, S. of Victoria St. and Co. Rd. B, Roseville
Tanacetum	vulgare	common tansy	44.97986	-93.00262	Vicinity 1300 McKnight Rd Maplewood
Tanacetum	vulgare	common tansy	45.017421	- 93.006791	Vicinity North Haven Church ballfield, North St. Paul
Torilis	japonica	Japanese hedge- parsley	44.89824	-93.00228	Fish Creek; Ramsey County/Maplewood parcels
Cardamine	impatiens	narrowleaf bittercress	44.937699	- 93.023054	Battle Creek Regional Park; St. Paul
Torilis	japonica	Japanese hedge- parsley	"	"	"

B. Map



2016-2018 High Priority Target Species Infestations
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