

IOWA FOREST HEALTH TOUR 2016

Invaders of the Forest – Know your Invasive Plants

Please consider attending this year's forest health tour September 6th at the Jay Spence Shelter in Greenwood Park, 4500 Grand Ave, Des Moines, IA. The shelter shares a parking lot with Bergman Academy, which is located at 100 45th Street, Des Moines, Iowa. The Bergman Academy Address will get you closer to the shelter.

In the morning session, we will be learning specific details about invasive plants and how to control them (wild parsnip, Oriental bittersweet, Japanese hops, Japanese knotweed and more. After lunch, there will be a roundtable session to discuss what invasive plants the group is managing and what the state may be seeing in the near future.

Please dress appropriately for the weather. The sessions are mixed between indoor and outdoor presentations.

Please use the registration form below. There is no registration fee. Bring your own lunch or money for your lunch. First come, first served with a max of 40 attendees.

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME:

EMAIL:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

Which Sessions Will You Attend:

Morning Afternoon Both

Check All That Apply

Are you a certified pesticide applicator?

Please return registration to Tivon.Feeley@dnr.iowa.gov by **September 1, 2016**

AGENDA

9:00 – Check-in

9:10 – Introduction

- Tivon Feeley – IDNR Forest Health Program Leader

9:20 – Wild Parsnip I.D., Control, and What to Do if you Touch it?

- Dr. Bob Hartzler – ISU Extension Weed Specialist

9:55 – Oriental Bittersweet vs Native Bittersweet

- Amy Yoakum – Story County Conservation

10:15 – Break

10:30 – Japanese Hops I.D. and Control

- Dr. Jesse Randall – ISU Extension Forestry

11:00 – Japanese Knotweed I.D. and Control

- Ryan Krull – Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship Weed Commissioner

11:30 – Oriental Bittersweet Control Options

Noon – Lunch (on your own)

12:45-2:30 – Question Answer Session. A Roundtable talk to hear what invasive plants you are having difficulty managing or other techniques that were not covered by the presenters that have worked for you. A discussion about what invasive plants the Forest Health Program Leader and the State Weed Commissioner see as the big threats now and into the future.