

Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management Area
Meeting notes
October 23, 2007

Donut discussion: PTI grant – match \$ for the grant. We came up with \$33,000 of match! Darienne will submit the grant and call Ellen from NFWF for any suggestions.

Business meeting:

Present: Darienne McNamara (USFWS), Carmen Chapin (NPS), Stefania Strzalkowska (Bayfield Cnty), Nan Olson (Bayfield County Lakes Forum) and Dara Olson (GLIFWC).

- *PTI grant*
 - City of Ashland will contribute \$1500 worth of staff time controlling invasives on city owned areas if the NCWMA maps the invasives.
 - Alyssa Core suggested meeting with the Park Board to explain more about the NCWMA – Darienne will meet with the Board.
- *MOU*
 - Still need some signatures – divided up organizations to follow up with
 - Bad River Band & Leah will not be involved in the NCWMA
 - MOU date: May 1, 2006 to May 1, 2011
- *Wisconsin Coastal Management Grant*
 - Received the grant 06/2007 – financial administration through Bayfield County Land Conservation Dept.
 - Intern/coordinator options – Bayfield Regional Conservancy? GLIFWC, Dara? Possibilities of involving Northland/SIGO?
 - Carmen will check on the grant administration and track match \$\$
 - At the end of every meeting we will log the hours & mileage spent on NCWMA activities that month to be used as match – please keep track of the hours you spend on NCWMA activities (outside of meetings also – reviewing minutes, brochures, etc.)
- *Travel Green Grant*
 - \$100 left – Carmen will use the money to put together a spill kit for the community tool shed
- *Logo*
 - Draft logo – Dara will work on it & send to the email distribution list
- *Brochure*
 - Send out again for any final edits
- *Community Tool Shed*
 - Needs a floor to construct: Carmen will work on some options for a wood floor & Darienne will check on possibilities of someone from the NGLVC constructing the floor.
- *Misc.*
 - Carmen will draft up a press release of NCWMA accomplishments
 - Data Management meeting in Madsion on January 24-25. Contact Carmen if you are interested in carpooling to the meeting.
 - Making a Great Lake Superior conference in Duluth on October 29-31. Invasive species is one of the main topics. Miles will have a NCWMA poster up at the conference.
 - Madeline Island Wilderness Preserve does not want to use herbicide and has been cutting the buckthorn without any herbicide treatment. Carmen will contact the preserve and see about giving a presentation explaining the need for herbicide use.

- Stefania is working on Bayfield's Strategic County AIS Plan with steps of what to do if someone finds an aquatic invasive species
- New MIPN brochure: Landscape Alternatives for Invasive Plants of the Midwest
- MIPN Annual & Board of Directors Meeting in Cleveland
 - Developing an Early Detection Rapid Response flyer
 - Potentially developing a webpage with a control work searchable spreadsheet that you can submit your control work methods - what's working & what's not – method, time of year, rate, success rate, etc.
 - Struggling for membership – offsets publication costs & postage. Check the website for the membership registration form: <http://www.mipn.org/joinMIPN.htm>
- Dara will be the temporary chair/NCWMA contact until the next elections

Upcoming Events:

Oct 29-31: Making a Great Lake Superior conference

Nov 20: Next NCWMA Mtg – donut discussion at 9am: community reporting/monitoring & business mtg at 10am.

Jan 24-25: Integrating Invasive Species Data Meeting

Hours used as match for the meeting:

Stefania (3 hrs) & 11 miles R/T

Nan (3 hrs) & 50 miles R/T

Dara (3 hrs) & 28 miles R/T

Carmen – 12 miles R/T