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NJ Invasive Species
Strike Team

2017 New Jersey Invasive Species Conference Wednesday, April 5th



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The Strike Team is a statewide cooperative effort to prevent the spread of emerging invasive species across the state of New Jersey. Started as the Central Jersey Invasive Species Strike Team, the project expanded statewide in 2011 & now consists of several hundred private individuals & public & private organizations representing all levels of government from federal to municipal, non-profit conservation groups & consulting foresters.

After working as an independent non-profit organization for six years, we have recently joined forces with the [Friends of Hopewell Valley Open Space](#) (FoHVOS). FoHVOS founded the Strike Team with the Raritan Headwaters Association in 2008 & has always been our strongest partner. We could not be more pleased & excited about what the future holds for the Strike Team!



There is much to be done to stop the spread of emerging invasive species in New

[*Register Now!*](#)

Time: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Location: Duke Farms, Hillsborough

Registration Fee: \$50, includes lunch

This annual event, brought to you by [Duke Farms](#), the [Friends of Hopewell Valley Open Space](#), [Gracie & Harrigan Consulting Foresters](#), & [Stonebridge Capital Management](#) will feature expert presentations about emerging invasive species science & management issues in the Garden State.

We expect the Conference will be approved for Continuing Education Credits for Master Gardeners, Pesticide Applicators & for participants in the New Jersey Community Forestry Program. More information will be posted soon. Those seeking credits will be required to sign at the start of the workshop & sign out at its conclusion to verify their full participation.

Agenda

9:00 Arrival & Sign In

9:15 Welcome and Introduction of Friends of Hopewell Valley Open Space

Jon Wagar, Duke Farms Deputy Director

9:30 The State of Invasive Species in New Jersey

Mike Van Clef, Friends of Hopewell Valley Open Space Stewardship Director

10:00 The New & Troubling Infestation of Hydrilla in the D&R Canal

Chris Doyle, SOLitude Lake Management Senior Aquatic Biologist & Heather Desko, New Jersey Water Supply Authority Watershed Protection Specialist

10:45 Kudzu Status Report & Eradication Efforts

Kristen Meistrell, New Jersey Audubon Stewardship Project Coordinator

11:30 Lunch

12:30 Stewardship Implications of Emerald Ash Borer

Jersey. We are confident that together, we truly can nip new invaders in the bud!

Mike Van Clef Friends of Hopewell Valley Open Space Stewardship Director & Mark Mayer, New Jersey Department of Agriculture Bio-Control Field Coordinator

1:00 Real Stories from the Field – Controlling Some Tough Buggers

Beth Craighead, Friends of Hopewell Valley Open Space Land Steward

1:30 The Interesting Story of Two Species (& how to kill them) – Bighead Carp and Chinese Pondmussel

Emile DeVito, New Jersey Conservation Foundation Manager of Science & Stewardship

2:00 Concurrent Sessions - Each participant will attend one session

Proper Eradication Techniques

Mike Bellaus, Duke Farms Ecological Specialist

Using IPCCConnect to Document Invasive Plant Eradication

Beth Craighead, Friends of Hopewell Valley Open Space Land Steward

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