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WILD SPOTTER: CITIZEN SCIENTISTS REPORTING INVASIVES TO AID FOREST SERVICE RESTORATION PROGRAMS

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“Mapping, quantifying, and reporting new infestations early helps our biologists and other land managers to implement better strategies for prevention, control, and eradication”

Allen Rowley, Director of the Forest Management, Rangeland Management, and Vegetation Ecology Units for the Forest Service in Washington, D.C.

Wild Spotter Press Release

“The public accesses land more than we can possibly do and so if we can leverage that access and that use to help us track these invasive species we will be able to respond quicker and hopefully get a handle on them faster.”

Chelsea Monks, Field Biologist at Siuslaw National Forest

Siuslaw National Forest To Take Part In Nationwide Invasive Species Project by Alec Cowan. August 13, 2018
<http://www.klcc.org/post/siuslaw-national-forest-take-part-nationwide-invasive-species-project>

Overview

- Goal: to expand the capacity for National Forests and Grassland to Survey, Inventory, and Map of aquatic and terrestrial invasive species in high value areas using the support of citizen volunteers and other partners.
- Objective: using a piloted effort over 5 years, quantify the location and extent of all targeted populations of aquatic and terrestrial invasive species currently invading on each Research Natural Areas, Wilderness Areas, and along all Wild & Scenic River corridors within the National Forest System.
- Scope: Wilderness Areas, Wild & Scenic Rivers within prioritized piloted National Forests nationwide.
- Approach: utilize volunteer “citizen scientists” to work in a coordinated manner; capitalize on existing skillsets of private individuals, volunteer organizations, and partners to detect, measure and map invasive species in a safe and efficient manner.

Wild Spotter Major Components

1. National Website
2. EDDMapS Platform
3. Marketing and Promotion
4. Volunteer Recruitment and Coordination

Wild Spotter Components

1) National Website

- www.wildspotter.org
- Project Overview
- Identification Materials
- Survey, Inventory, and Mapping Protocols
- Customized Site Information
 - Access and Contact Information
 - Maps
 - Invasive Species List



[Monongahela National Forest](#)

This Forest offers a wide range of recreational activities due to eight Wilderness Areas, a National Scenic Byway, and the Spruce Knob-Seneca Rocks National Recreation Area.





Wild Spotter™ - Engaging and empowering the public to help find, map, and prevent invasive species in America's wilderness areas, wild rivers, and other natural areas. Become a Wild Spotter citizen scientist volunteer, download the Mobile App, and help protect America's Wild Places!

Wild Spotter Mission

Wild Spotter aims to build citizen science volunteer capacity to protect America's wild places from harmful invasive plants, vertebrates, invertebrates, microbes, algae, and fungi that outcompete our nation's native species and threaten the biodiversity and health of every aquatic and terrestrial ecosystem.



Promote Awareness

America's wild places are home to beauty, diversity, and reflection, yet they are under attack from aquatic and terrestrial invasive species. One of the goals of Wild Spotter is to help raise public awareness about the threat of these non-native invaders, and provide fast and simple steps the public can take to prevent them from spreading into new areas.



Engage the Public

Wild Spotter helps you identify, map, and report invasive species found in your favorite wild places. The data you collect will help create the first-ever nationwide inventory of invasive species in America's natural areas. You can help us fight back against harmful invaders by becoming a Wild Spotter volunteer or partner. By downloading the FREE Wild Spotter Mobile App on your smartphone, you can quickly and easily collect vital data on these invasions: location, extent, and impact - all while you are enjoying the great outdoors.



Defeat Invasives

The data you collect while you are visiting America's wild places will help management teams create more effective strategies to prevent and control invasive species and restore the areas they impact. By reporting data through the FREE Wild Spotter Mobile App, you will be helping to protect recreational activities, such as hiking, camping, fishing, hunting, climbing as well as clean water, abundant wildlife, and all the other benefits of these wonderful wild places.

Opportunities to Join Wild Spotter

Become a Wild Spotter

Volunteers are a vital part of the Wild Spotter campaign! To become a volunteer, register either online or download the FREE Wild Spotter Mobile App on your smartphone or other mobile device. Once registered, reach out to your nearest National Forest or Grassland to discover how you can volunteer to help support and protect these beautiful places from invasive species. Then, just get outside and enjoy America's wild places while keeping an eye out for those harmful invaders!

Become a Partner

Wild Spotter networks people and organizations to help manage invasive species through on-the-ground, community-based projects, partnerships, and volunteer citizen science support that increases capacity for conserving our nation's natural resources. Wild Spotter creates partnerships with public and private organizations at all levels and across all landownerships. Complete the [FREE Registration form](#) to become a Wild Spotter Partner now!

Wild Spotter – The Steps



Join

the Network of Citizen
Scientists



Download

the Free Mobile App



Identify

the Invasive Plants,
Pathogens and Animals



Map

Locations of Invasive Species
in Your Favorite Wild Places



Protect

America's Wild Places for
Future Generations

Join - Website

- Registration via website
 - Can register through the Wild Spotter App (iOS and Android)
 - Can login with existing EDDMapS account
- After registering/logging into, you will be prompted to select the Place you will be visiting and reporting in



Volunteer

Where To Look

What To Look For

Places

Partners

Prevention

Support

Wild Spotter Volunteer Registration Form

Please complete the form below (* required field):

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First Name*:

Last Name*:

Organization:

User Knowledge Level:

- Beginner
- Some ID Training
- Expert

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Create Account

Help Find and Map Invasive Species

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Connect with a Forest Ranger for more information about the Wild Spotter activities at your favorite National Forest or National Grassland and sign-up before you go out into the great outdoors! For general information on volunteering with the USDA Forest Service, visit the following websites:

[USFS Volunteer Program](#)
[Citizen Science Program](#)

Pathways

- Locations where invasive species are likely to find a foothold
- Provides info on how the invasive species get in these locations
 - Mechanisms of spread by species (hooks/"Velcro" on seeds, fruit attractive to animals, etc.)
 - Vectors (Unclean equipment, moved firewood, deliberate planting/release, etc.)
- Provides tips on how to prevent becoming a vector

Where to Look



Trails/Trailheads

Invasive species, particularly plants, take advantage of the site disturbances at trailheads and along trails. Heavy use of these areas by hikers, horseback riders, and other visitors increases the likelihood that invasive species will become established and spread. These areas are prime locations to look for new invasions. In areas where two or more trails cross, or a trail crosses a roadway, the chance of finding an invasive species infestation is even greater.

Invasive species can spread by seeds, spores, vegetative material, eggs, and other means. Each of these can be accidentally picked-up and hitch a ride on clothes, shoes, gear, or animals, allowing the invasive species to be dispersed as the visitor or animal walks along the trails. Material like seeds, tiny insect eggs, or spores can easily become trapped in the treads of hiking footwear. Some plants have tiny hooks which help them attach to fabric or fur for transportation to other areas. Insects and spores can also travel this way.



Rivers, Streams, and Lakes

Moving water can easily and quickly move plants, animals and other organisms many miles downstream from their point of entry. This makes these riparian areas especially vulnerable to invasion by harmful nonnative species. On land the invasive organism must either move on its own or find another strategy for transportation. But in aquatic environments, the environment itself, water, moves organisms

Species ID

- Name
- Reporting Stats
- Images of Characteristics
- Text
- Listed by Forests/Places

Amur honeysuckle – *Lonicera maackii*

0 People Contributing 0 Observation(s) 0 place(s)

Click on images to view larger version and citation.



Appearance

Lonicera maackii is a woody perennial shrub that can grow up to 16.5 ft. (5 m) in height.

Foliage

The oppositely arranged leaves are ovate to lance-ovate in shape and measure 1.3-3.3 in. (3.5-8.5 cm) long. The tips of the leaves are acuminate. The leaves are dark green above and lighter on the lower surface. The veins of the leaves are pubescent.

Flowers

The white flowers are found in erect pairs that are on peduncles shorter than the petioles. The flowers measure 0.6-0.75 in. (1.5-2 cm) long and are bilabiate. The flowers appear on the plant from late May to early June, which is later than the other honeysuckles.

Fruit

The fruit are dark red in color, spherical in shape and measure 0.25 in. (6 mm) in diameter. The fruit become ripe on the plant in the late fall.

Ecological Threat

Lonicera maackii can form large stands that prevent native shrubs and herbaceous understory plants from growing. The fruits persist on the branches into the winter, when birds feed on them. In the spring, *Lonicera maackii* is one of the first plants to leaf out, giving it a competitive advantage. This shrub can bear fruit when it is as young as 3 to 5 years old. Though *Lonicera maackii* has not yet become a major problem in New England, it is very troublesome in the southern and midwestern parts of the country.

Places monitoring this species

[Daniel Boone National Forest](#)

[Monongahela National Forest](#)

[Shawnee National Forest](#)

Wild Places

Forests and More

- Currently launched at 12 pilot forests across the US
- Places have descriptions with information about specific locations within each site
- More Forests, Wild & Scenic Rivers, Wilderness Areas, and other types of locations will be added



Bridger-Teton National Forest

Welcome to the Bridger-Teton National Forest! Adjacent to both the Grand-Teton National Park and the National Elk Refuge, the Bridger-Teton National Forest comprises 3.4 million acres. The Forest has three wilderness areas, which include the Bridger Wilderness, the Gros Ventre Wilderness, and the Teton Wilderness, that offer visitors the chance to view diverse wildlife. During the summer months, visitors are likely to see trumpeter swans, sandhill cranes, coyotes, bald eagles, and elk. Species easier to see in winter, as they move to lower elevations, include moose, mule deer, and bighorn sheep. Although widely known for its large mammals, including grizzly bears, Bridger-Teton also supports over 355 species of birds. The Forest offers crystal clear waters, with unique geology and numerous recreation activities, at Snake River Canyon and Periodic Springs. Two Scenic Byways, the Wyoming Centennial Scenic Byway and the Big Springs Scenic Backway, hosts beautiful mountain views and wide river valleys. Winter activities are boundless at the Bridger-Teton National Forest with visitors able to enjoy snowmobiling, skiing, and mushing.



Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest

Welcome to the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest! The Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest covers more than 1.5 million acres of Wisconsin's Northwoods. The Forest is managed for multiple uses including forestry, wildlife habitat, outdoor recreation, fisheries, species forest products gathering, wilderness, and natural areas. Two wilderness areas, the Blackjack Springs and Headwaters Wilderness, feature diverse vegetation typical of the Lake Superior Highlands and some of the largest and oldest trees in the Forest. Fishing, hunting, hiking, bird-watching, and canoeing are popular recreational activities on the wilderness areas. The St. Peter's Dome Trail provides visitors with an excellent view of the Chequamegon Bay of Lake Superior and the Apostle Islands while the Morgan Falls Trail highlights the 70-foot-high Morgan Falls. In winter, visitors can ski on one of the oldest and more popular cross-country ski trails in the Eagle River Area: Anvil National Recreation Trail. With more than 1.5 million acres of water and woodlands, the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest provides recreation opportunities for year-round motorized trail riding, water and land-based silent sports and the solitude of rustic quiet campgrounds.



Daniel Boone National Forest

Welcome to the Daniel Boone National Forest! The Daniel Boone National Forest features four ranger districts intermingled with private and state land across 21 counties in eastern Kentucky. Originally named the Cumberland National Forest, it was renamed in 1966 as the Daniel Boone National Forest in recognition of the adventurous frontiersman that explored much of this Kentucky region. With natural stone arches, waterfalls, cliff lines, rivers, creeks, and other places of unique natural beauty and historical significance visitors have numerous recreational activities to choose from. Hike to Grays Arch, measuring 50 feet high and 80 feet long, in the Cumberland Ranger District or explore the forest on the winding Red River Gorge National Scenic Byway. More than 850 wetlands on the Daniel Boone National Forest provide habitat for hundreds of plants and animals for visitors to view. Additionally, the Forest offers visitors a chance to view historical sites including the Clear Creek Iron Furnace. Camo

Pilot National Forests





Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest

1) Priority Areas

- Wilderness Areas
 - Blackjack Springs
 - Headwaters
 - Porcupine Lake
 - Rainbow Lake
 - Whisker Lake
- Wild & Scenic Rivers
 - St. Croix National Scenic River

2) Invasive Species List

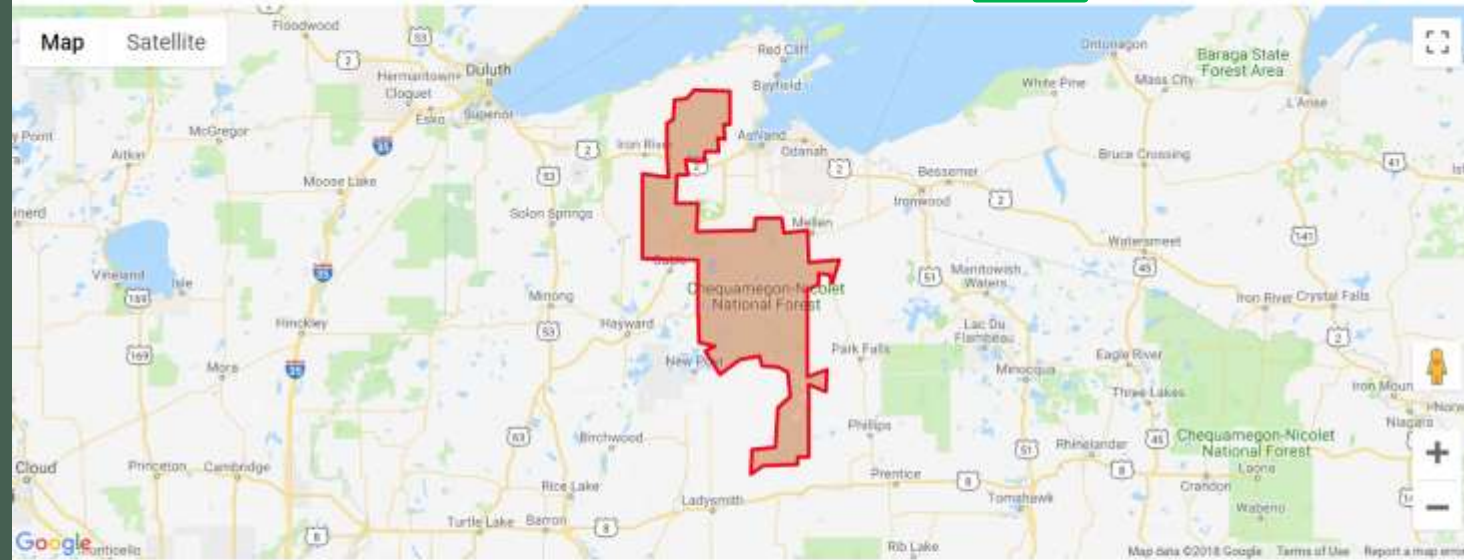
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garlic mustard	<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	3605
Japanese barberry	<i>Berberis thunbergii</i>	3010
Siberian peashrub	<i>Caragana arborescens</i>	9925
Oriental bittersweet	<i>Celastrus orbiculatus</i>	3012
knapweeds	<i>Centaurea</i> spp.	9563
Canada thistle	<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	2792
marsh thistle	<i>Cirsium palustre</i>	12785
bull thistle	<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	3393
Crown vetch	<i>Coronilla varia</i>	3015
Autumn olive	<i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i>	3021
leafy spurge	<i>Euphorbia esula</i>	3405
Glossy buckthorn	<i>Frangula alnus (Rhamnus frangula)</i>	5649
hemp nettle	<i>Galeopsis tetralix</i>	26652
dam's rocket	<i>Hesperis matronalis</i>	5702
pale yellow iris	<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>	5853
momaw's honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera morrowii</i>	3041
tatarian honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera tatarica</i>	3043
Bell's honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera x bella</i>	5948
purple loosestrife	<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	3047
field forget-me-not	<i>Myosotis arvense</i>	32755
true forget-me-not	<i>Myosotis scorpioides</i>	6071
wild parsnip	<i>Pastinaca sativa</i>	6147
common reed	<i>Phragmites australis</i> sp. <i>Australis</i>	59038
Japanese knotweed	<i>Polygonum cuspidatum (Fallopia japonica)</i>	19655
common buckthorn	<i>Rhamnus cathartica</i>	3070
black locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	3350
orange hawkweed	<i>Hieracium aurantiacum</i>	4423
yellow hawkweed	<i>Hieracium cespitosum</i>	4424
St. johnswort	<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	7151
Dalmatian toadflax	<i>Linaria daburica</i>	5939
yellow toadflax	<i>Linaria vulgaris</i>	3800
white sweet clover	<i>Melilotus albus</i>	3050
yellow sweet clover	<i>Melilotus officinalis</i>	6008
Eurasian watermilfoil	<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	3055
reed canary grass	<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	6170
burnet saffrage	<i>Pimpinella saxifraga</i>	18762
cutly pondweed	<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	6219

3) Pathways and Vectors

- Morgan Falls St. Peter's Dome Trail
- Anvil National Recreation Trail
- Mountain Fire Lookout Station
- Natural History Auto Tour
- Lakewood Auto Tour
- Franklin Lake Campground
- Lake Three Campground

Place Info

- Map of the Property boundary
- Wild Place Name
- Tag Line
- Contribution Stats
- Photo and Description
- Link to the Place's website



Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest

Come hike the popular St. Peter's Dome Trail to see an excellent view of the Chequamegon Bay on Lake Superior!

0 People Contributing 0 Observations



Photo credit: Forest Service

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<https://www.fs.usda.gov/cnrf>

Place Info

- Areas within the Place (Links to their websites)
- List of species of concern selected by the Place
 - Species are clickable and link to the Species Info

Wilderness Areas/Wild & Scenic Rivers

Blackjack Springs Wilderness - Blackjack Springs Wilderness' main feature is a series of 4 large, crystal clear springs that form the headwaters of Blackjack Creek.

Headwaters Wilderness - Popular recreation uses in Headwaters Wilderness are hiking, bird-watching, hunting, fishing, and studying nature.

Porcupine Lake Wilderness - Some of the Porcupine Lake Wilderness contains rolling hills covered with oak, maple, hemlock, and white pine while the remainder of the area is fairly flat.

Rainbow Lake Wilderness - A unique feature of Rainbow Lake Wilderness are the numerous narrow-gauge railroad grades that were used for log hauling in the early 1900's.

Whisker Lake Wilderness - Whisker Lake Wilderness got its name from the large pines near the shoreline of Whisker Lake.

St. Croix River - St. Croix River offers outdoor enthusiasts a chance to enjoy a wilderness-like experience and a variety of outdoor recreation opportunities within easy reach of a major metropolitan area.

Invasive Species



Showing 1 to 14 of 42 entries

Search:

Subject Name	Scientific Name
autumn olive	<i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i>
black locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>
bull thistle	<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>
burnet-saxifrage	<i>Pimpinella saxifraga</i>
Canada thistle	<i>Cirsium arvense</i>
common hempnettle	<i>Galeopsis tetrahit</i>
common mullein	<i>Verbascum thapsus</i>
common reed	<i>Phragmites australis</i>
common St. Johnswort	<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>
common tansy	<i>Tanacetum vulgare</i>
common valerian	<i>Valeriana officinalis</i>
curly-leaved pondweed	<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>
Dalmatian toadflax	<i>Linaria dalmatica</i>

Partners

- Lists the organizations, programs, groups, etc. that have joined Wild Spotter as partners
- Partners can provide a description of their organization, their goals, their history, and other information, including their role in natural resource and/or invasive species management



Partners



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University of Georgia

The University of Georgia's Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health integrates information technology applications and graphic design tools with scientific based resources to provide a wide array of services. Their mission is to develop, consolidate, and disseminate information and programs focused on invasive species, forest health, natural resource and agricultural management through technology development, program implementation, training, applied research and public awareness at state, regional, national, and international levels.

<https://www.bugwood.org/>



Wildlife Forever

Wildlife Forever is a nonprofit conservation charity that has funded conservation works in all 50 states and Canada with more than 1,500 projects throughout North America. The mission of Wildlife Forever is to conserve America's wildlife heritage through conservation education, preservation of habitat and management of fish and wildlife. Wildlife Forever projects target research, management, land acquisition, and educational purposes. Special emphasis is placed upon grassroots programs.

<https://www.wildlife-forever.org>



USDA Forest Service

The Forest Service is a multi-faceted agency that includes researchers, land managers, fire-fighters, and a wide range of educational and financial assistance programs. The agency manages over 193 million acres of National Forests and Grasslands from Alaska to Puerto Rico, including nearly 35 million acres of designated Wilderness Areas and over 5,000 miles of designated Wild & Scenic Rivers within the National Forest System. The mission of the agency is "To sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations." In partnership with others, the Forest Service provides leadership and support in the detection, prevention, and control of invasive species to protect and restore America's forest, rangeland, and aquatic ecosystems. Through multiple partnerships the agency ensures sustainable ecosystems by restoring and maintaining species diversity and ecological productivity that helps provide recreation, water, timber, minerals, fish, wildlife, wilderness, and aesthetic values for current and future generations of people.

<https://www.fs.fed.us>



Wild & Scenic Rivers

The National Wild and Scenic Rivers System was created in 1968 by Congress with the aim to preserve rivers with outstanding natural, cultural, and recreational values for the enjoyment of present and future generations. When

Prevention Tips

- How invasive species move spread
- Specific tips based on activity or location
 - Trails
 - Fishing/boating
 - Camping
- Pets and other animals
 - Cleaning the animal and related equipment before and after recreating (e.g., trailers, feed, bedding, toys, etc.)

Prevention

Pathway/Vector

The means and routes by which invasive species are moved or introduced into new environments are called pathways, or vectors. Each invasive species may use a variety of pathways or vectors to spread. Be vigilant and proactive about invasive species to help prevent accidental spread of invasive species via pathways/vectors into new areas.

Common Pathways and Vectors for invasion include:

Roads and Trails

Parking Areas and Trailheads

Facilities and other access areas for human activity (land or water)

Campsites, picnic sites

Historic sites (homes, forts, etc.)

Livestock use/staging/resting areas (corrals, highline sites, loading areas, resting/feeding areas, etc.)

Natural features of special interest (frequently used vistas/overlooks, waterfall viewing sites, etc.)

Vehicles, boats, and trailers

Equipment and gear

Clothing and shoes/boots

Tents, hammocks, and campers

Water, mud, soil, wood, and other natural materials

Pets and other animals

How You Can Help

It is as simple as "Never move soil or debris from one area to another". For example, clean your clothes, footwear and equipment before entering a river. Then as you leave the water, clean your belongings of any soil or debris picked up while you were in the water. The same principle applies to any activities in natural areas, regardless of whether you are engaged in fishing, hiking, hunting, camping or one of the other wonderful activities possible in natural areas. Chief Seattle said it so well, "Take nothing but memories, leave nothing but footprints!"



Trails/Trailheads

Check your clothes, footwear and pets to be sure they are free of soil and debris which may

Support

- Frequently Asked Questions
 - Wild Spotter roles
 - Wild Spotter
 - Partner
 - Common questions about invasive species
- Videos
- More information and resources to be added as materials are developed

FAQ

General Questions

- + Q. What is Wild Spotter?
- + Q. Who is behind Wild Spotter?
- + Q. How do I contact Wild Spotter?
- + Q. How do I become a Wild Spotter Volunteer?
- + Q. How do I become a Wild Spotter partner?

Invasive Species

- + Q. What is an invasive species?
- + Q. Why should I care about invasive species?
- + Q. How do I identify an invasive species?
- + Q. Where do I look for invasive species?
- + Q. How do invasive species get here?
- + Q. How do I prevent the spread of invasives?

Reporting

Front Page Cont.

- Volunteer spotlights
- News and Events
- Recent Reports
- Useful Links
- EDDMapS

WILD SPOTTER VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are what power Wild Spotter. These are an example of volunteers who go out and map invasives in America's wild places!



LATEST WILD SPOTTER NEWS AND EVENTS



Upcoming Events

[more events -->](#)

Recent Reports

Useful Links

EDDMapS

Early Detection & Distribution Mapping System

Powered By EDDMapS

EDDMapS is a web-based mapping system for documenting invasive species distribution and there are immense numbers of invasive species observations reported each year. In turn, EDDMapS shares this data and makes it freely available to everyone. Wild Spotter is built upon the existing EDDMapS infrastructure and all data contributed becomes part of the overall database.

Wild Spotter Citizen Science Volunteers Needed

Help map invasive species threatening Wilderness Areas and Wild & Scenic Rivers.

[Become a Wild Spotter](#)



Wild Spotter Direct Support Contact Information

mappinginvasives@gmail.com



Wild Spotter Components

2) EDDMapS Platform

- Uniquely designed for project
- Same branding and design as National Website
- Supporting information for use by volunteers in the field
- Smartphone Apps for Data Collection (iPhone and Android devices)



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EDD MapS
Early Detection & Distribution Mapping System



EDDMapS (www.eddmaps.org)

- Electronic Early Detection Tool
- Aggregate database for individual reports, through websites and mobile apps, as well as existing bulk data from agencies and other databases
- Use the collected data to help programs Identify Existing Range, Gaps, and Leading Edge in Maps
- Provide tools for Early Detection, Verification, Alerts, Visualizations, Monitoring and Management, and Data Sharing and Collaboration
- Tools for land managers, invasive species program coordinators, etc.

Wild Spotter Mobile Apps

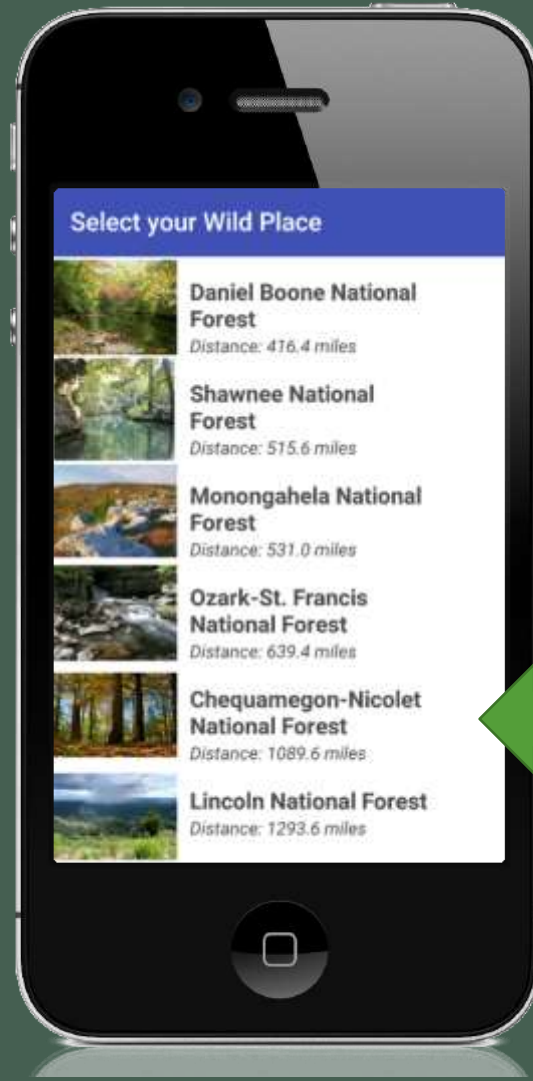


Works on iPhone, iPad, and
Android devices

Download and install the
FREE Wild Spotter App
to map invasive species in
your favorite Wild Place



Swipe through introductory slides to learn how to use the app!



Pick the Wild Place you are in or visiting*

*Selecting a Wild Place will download the species list and ID info for that Place

Wild Spotter App

Homepage

Click on the dropdown box for more options



Explore and Identify Any Invasive Species of Concern



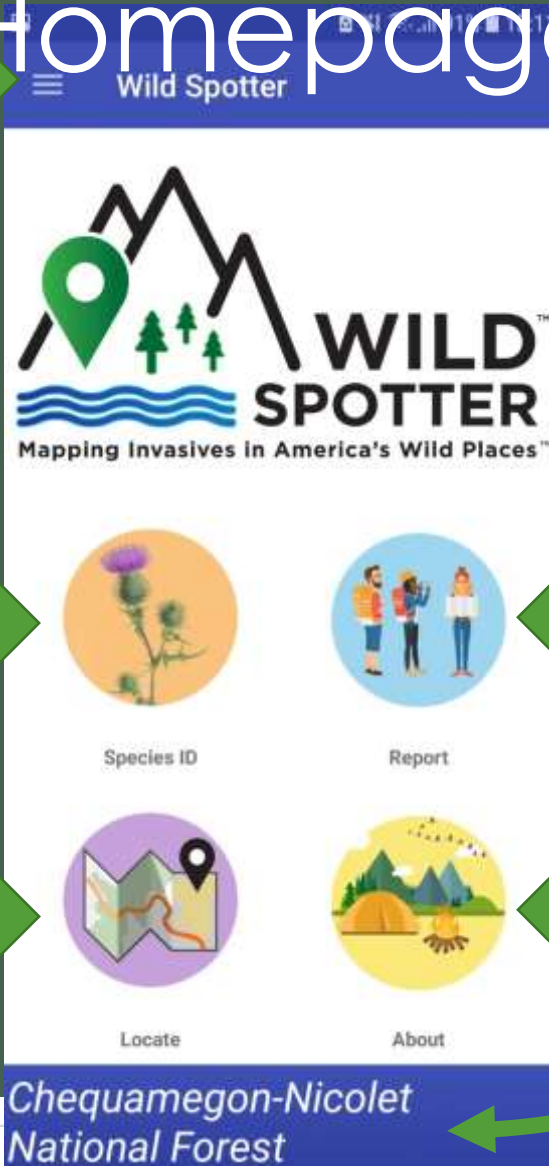
View maps of your selected Wild Place



Report your invasive species sightings (what, where, how much)

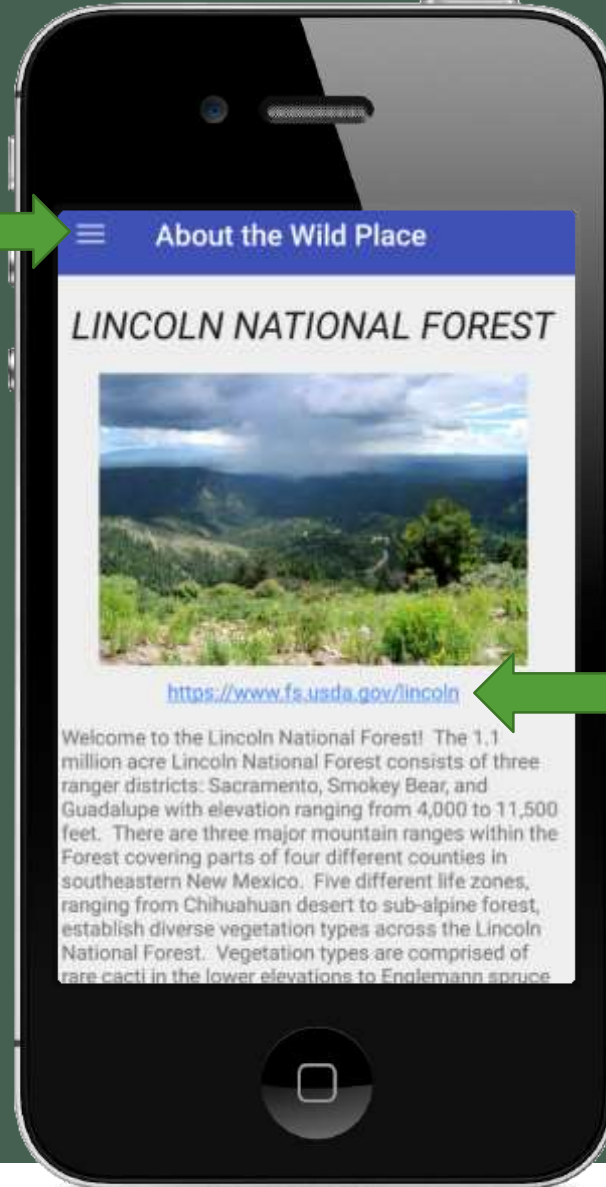


Learn about the Wild Place you are exploring
Wild Place Name



Learn About the Wild Place

Select the dropdown box to go to a different page



- Maps
- Descriptions
- Access Information
- Warnings
- Contacts
- Etc.

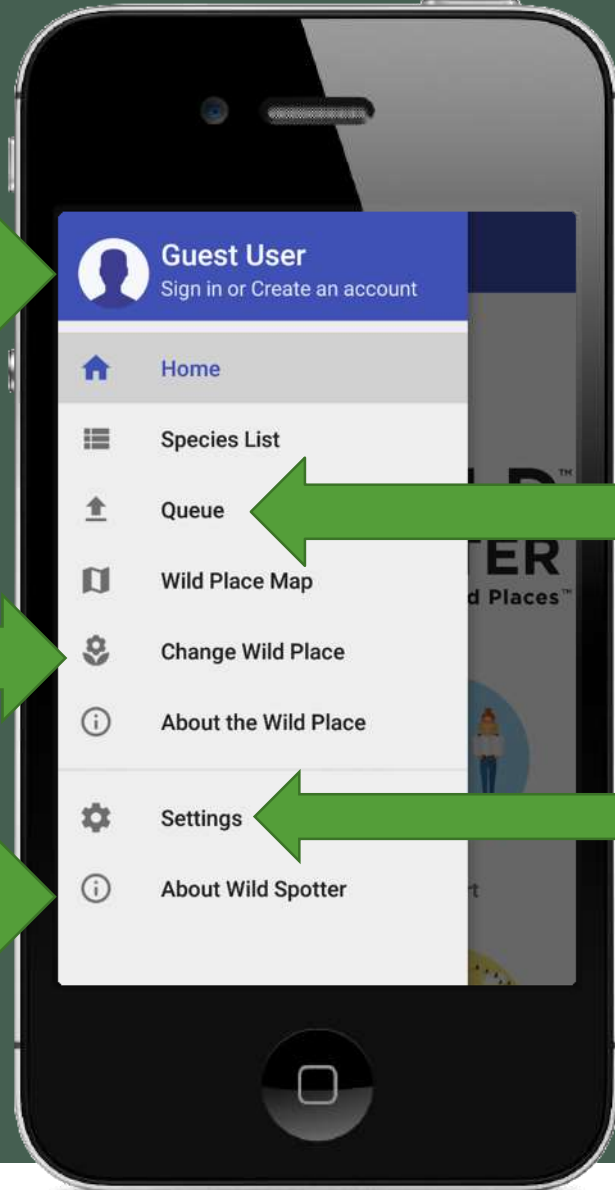
Tap link to learn more about the Wild Place

Dropdown Box Options

Select to sign in or create a Wild Spotter account

Change your Home Wild Place when you travel

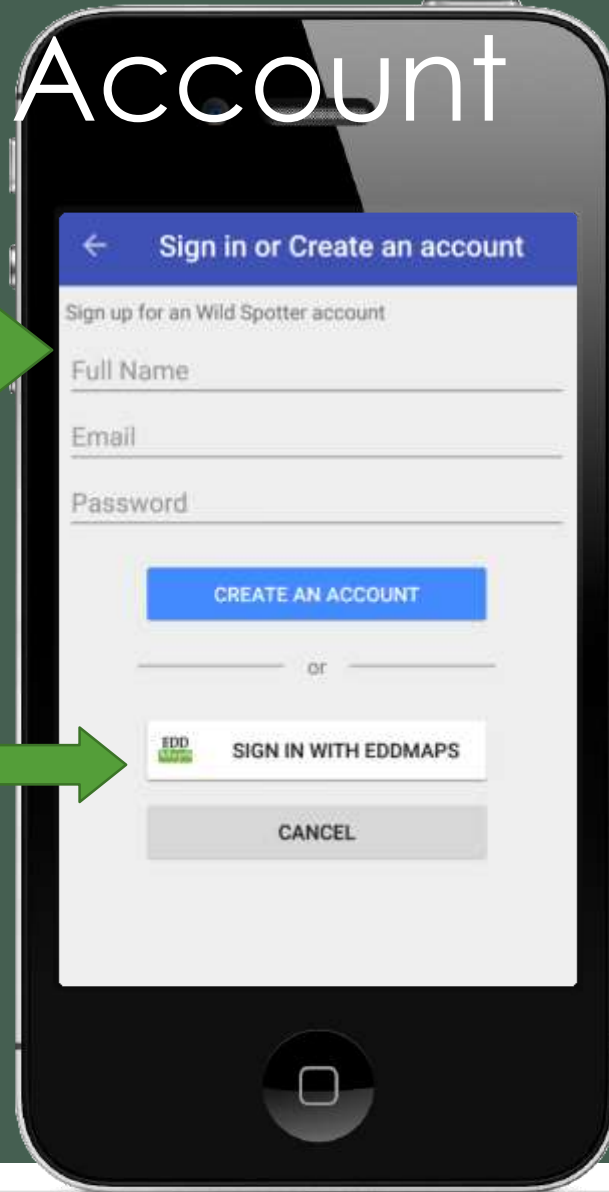
Purpose, goals, partners, etc. about Wild Spotter



Tap Queue to upload your invasive species sightings

In-App settings for photo saving and version number

Sign in or Create an Account



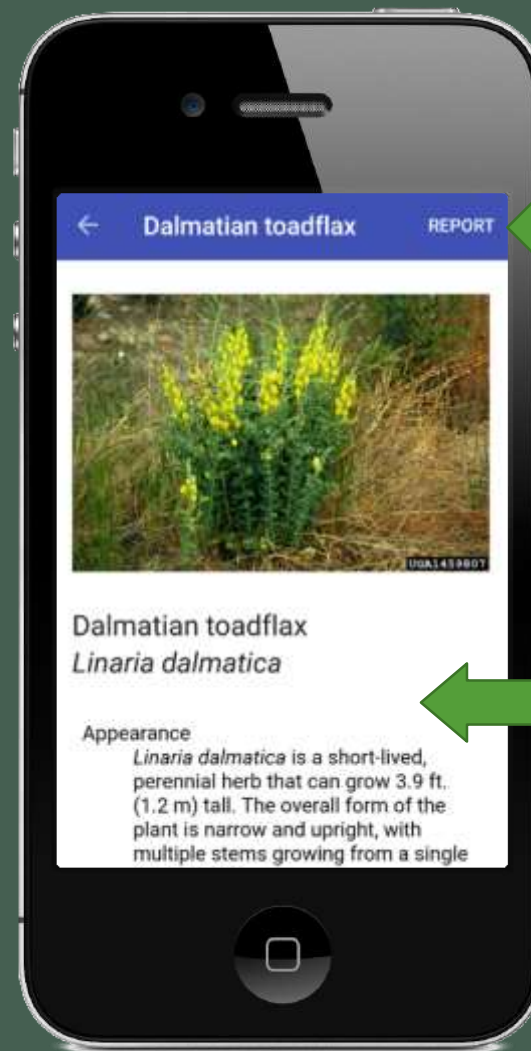
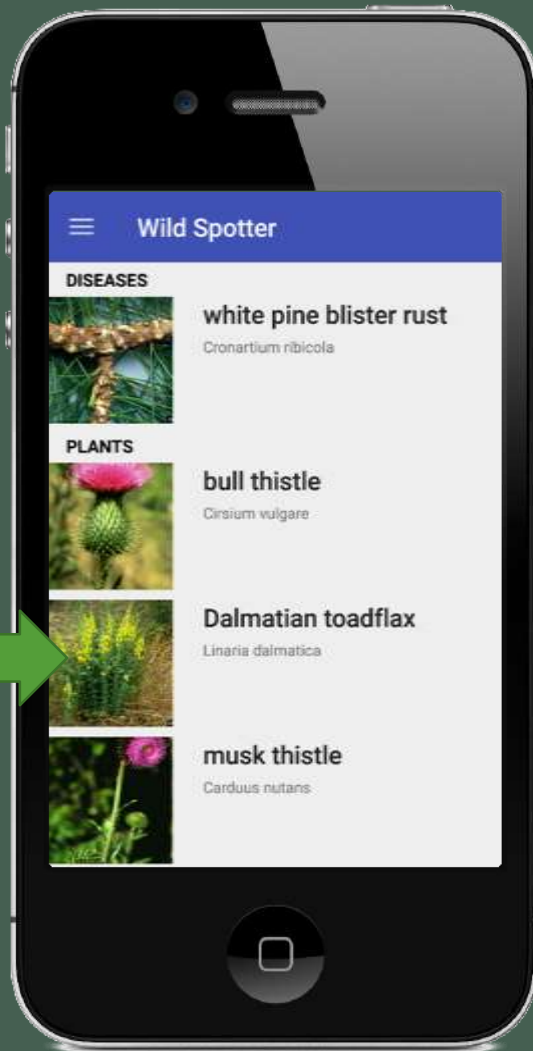
Create an account
or sign in with an existing
EDDMapS Account

Species Identification

Scroll through invasive species by category



Tap to learn more about each species



Tap REPORT if you've spotted this species!

View pictures, descriptions, and identifying characteristics

Reporting

The invasive species
you've selected to
Report



Location - Based on
device's GPS, editable
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How large is the
infestation?
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Report

yellow iris
Iris pseudacorus

2018-10-07 1:51 PM

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LOCATION

lat: 31.477366
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accuracy: 11.8 m

TIME SPENT IN MINUTES

5 10 15 30 45

SIZE OF INFESTATION

Acres Sq Feet

NOTES

Any additional information

SAVE

Current Date/Time
(editable)



Tap the camera to
add photos to the
report; important for
verification!



How long did you
spend surveying?
(Great for volunteer
programs!)



Additional comments
relevant to the
observation



Data Collection and Mapping

- Mobile apps are the primary way to collect data, although other manual methods are possible.
- We are working to provide guidance and support for taking environmental samples (e.g., eDNA).
- NRM is helping to move data from the Wild Spotter system into the USFS FACTS (TESP-IS) database.

After Submission - Verification

- Validation and quality control through EDDMapS platform. Pre-loading USFS data into the system to reduce duplicating existing records.
- Verifiers have been recruited at each of the pilot forests
 - Directly ties the verifiers to the recreationalists reporting in their Wild Places
 - Verifiers will also be able to implement appropriate management procedures for positive identifications
 - Results from reports can help direct education efforts
 - Incorrect identifications – More ID tools for those species
 - Locations of high reports – Interpretive signage or materials

After the data is verified...



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Projects

Projects are proposed actions that are analyzed through the NEPA process (EIS, EA, or CE) that involves analyzing different alternatives to the proposed action, requires public notice and comment, and results in a NEPA decision (ROD, DN, or DM) which, subject to an administrative appeals process, and is implemented on the ground.

- Schedule of Proposed Actions (SOPA)
The quarterly summary of proposed actions that will begin or are currently undergoing environmental analysis and documentation
- Forest Map Showing Ranger Districts

The Forest Projects below are projects that we are analyzing or have analyzed under the NEPA process.

Siuslaw National Forest Current and Recent Projects

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Developing Proposal

Sand Lake Restoration Project

This is a landscape-scale restoration project in the Sand Lake watershed. Activities include: plantation thinning, fish and wildlife habitat enhancement, invasive plant treatments, road and recreation improvements, and sand dune restoration.

Under Analysis

Hebo Culvert Replacements with Aquatic Organism Replacement Structures

Replace the four failing undersized culverts with an AOP structure on Boulder Creek at old Boulder Creek Road, at Jewel Creek and two AOPs at the FS Road 2283 in the Nestucca watershed for fish passage.

Indian Creek Landscape Management Project

This is a landscape-scale restoration project in the Indian Creek watershed. Activities include: plantation thinning, fish and wildlife habitat enhancement, invasive plant treatments, road and recreation improvements, and sand dune restoration.

Oregon Dunes Restoration Project

Promote development of sustainable veg structure, comp. and pattern, natural ecological processes; treat invasive spp., restore hydrologic function and maintenance and improvement for fish and at risk species and restore recreational opportunities

Analysis Completed

2013 Special Use Authorization Projects (Conger Road)

Issue a new authorization for proposed road access to private land.

Alerts & Warnings

- Portion of Pioneer-Indian Trail temporarily closed
- Oregon Dunes Beach Access Limited March 15 - Sept 15 to Protect Snowy Plovers

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Oregon Dunes Restoration Project (Scoping Letter)

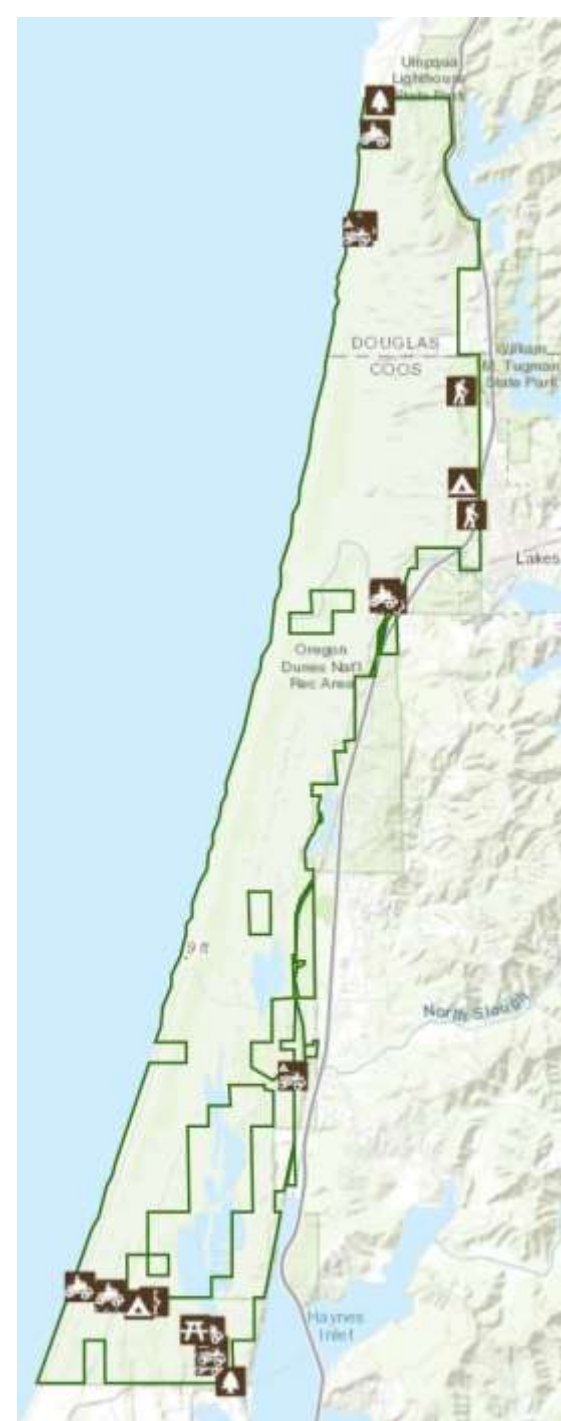
- Invasives are prominently mentioned in the needs:
 - “Promote the development of a sustainable vegetative structure, composition, and pattern to allow for natural processes to function and provide resilience against invasive species and uncharacteristic succession in the long term”
- Half of the proposed actions address methods to treat invasive species and the goal that invasive removal would achieve; greater sand movement and removal of specific invasive species and invasive species in general



How can Wild Spotters contribute to the ODRP?

Hiking Trails!

Horse Trails, OHV Trails, Camping, and more!



How can Wild Spotters contribute to the ODRP?

- Many different recreationalists using different areas of the land
- “Autopilot” not as much of a concern with Wild Spotters as employees who drive the trails often
- Areas may see more recreationalists than employees, especially along invasive species pathways
- Promoting Wild Spotter can increase invasive species awareness and encourage better prevention practices (e.g., cleaning equipment, not entering infested areas, etc.)
- More data is needed to help the scientists analyze the impact of invasives, provide justification for control efforts, and evaluate effect of treatments over time.

Wild Spotter Components

3) Marketing and Promotion

- Media (video, social, print, radio, web, television, etc.)
- Presentations (conferences/tradeshows)
- Networking and emailing list
- Targeted Marketing to diverse groups



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Wild Spotter engages and empowers the public to help find, map, and prevent invasive species in America's wilderness areas, wild rivers, and other natural areas.

PROMOTE AWARENESS
One of the goals of Wild Spotter is to help raise public awareness about the invasive species threat by providing simple steps the public can take to prevent them from spreading into new areas.

ENGAGE THE PUBLIC
The data you collect will help create the first-ever nationwide inventory of invasive species in America's natural areas. You can help us fight back against harmful invaders by becoming a Wild Spotter volunteer or partner.

DEFEAT INVASIVES
Mapping invasive species when you are visiting America's wild places will help management teams take direct action to prevent and control invasive species and restore the areas they impact.

Become a WILD SPOTTER volunteer or partner today!

Works on iPhone, iPad, and Android devices
Download and install the Wild Spotter app to map invasives in your favorite wild places with or without cell reception.

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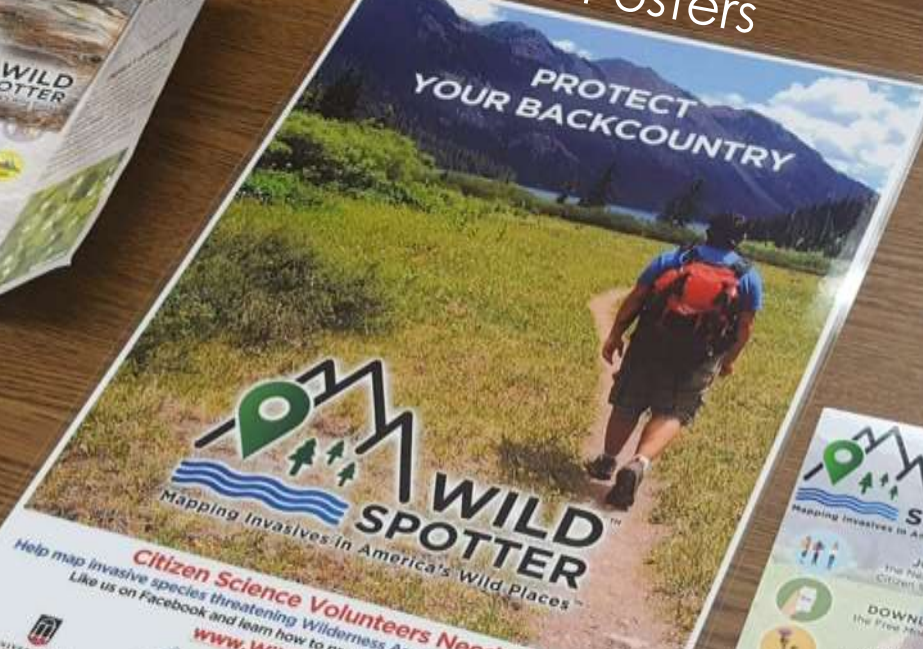
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Wild Spotter's mission is to build citizen science volunteer capacity to protect America's wild places from harmful invasive species that outcompete native species and threaten the biodiversity and health of every aquatic and terrestrial ecosystem.

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WHAT YOU FIND?
WHERE YOU FIND IT?
HOW MUCH YOU FIND?



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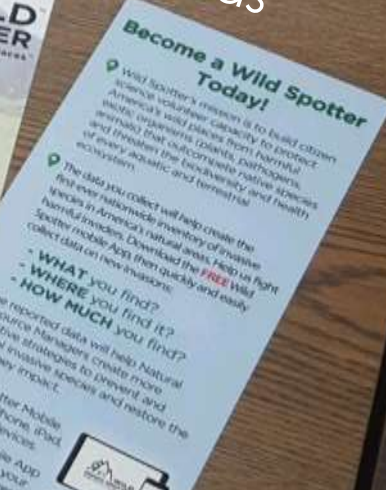
The data you collect will help create the first ever nationwide inventory of invasive species in America's natural areas. Help us fight Spotter mobile Apps. Download the **FREE** Wild Spotter mobile App, then quickly and easily collect data on new invasions.

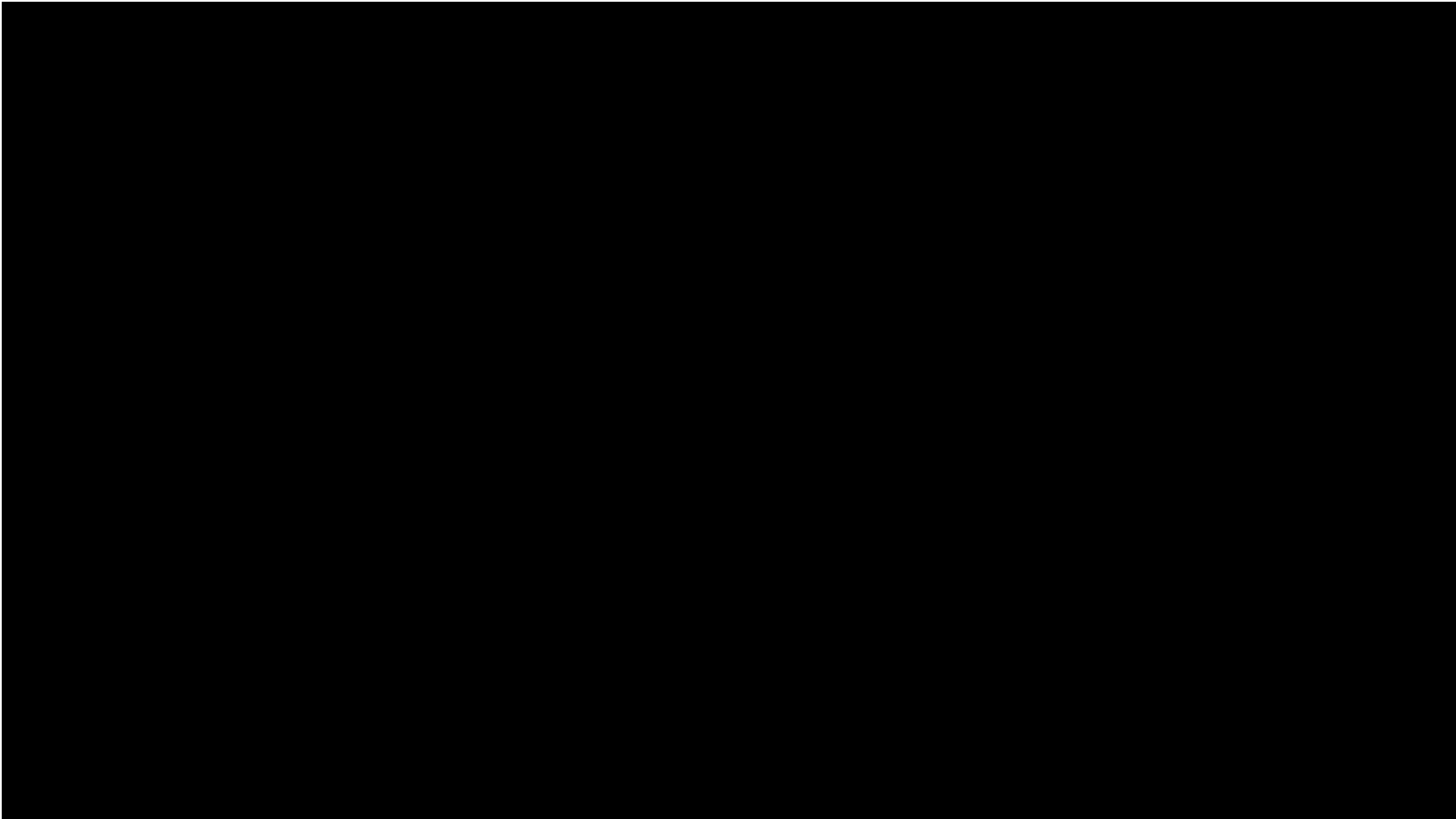
WHAT you find?
WHERE you find it?
HOW MUCH you find it?

The reported data will help Natural Resource Managers create more effective strategies to prevent and control invasive species and restore the areas they impact.

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A New National Effort to Increase Citizen Science Capacity to Map Invasive Species in America's Wild Places.

White Bear Lake, MN – In partnership with the University of Georgia – Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health, USDA Forest Service, and other organizations across the United States, Wildlife Forever has launched a nationwide citizen science volunteer capacity-building program called **Wild Spotter**. Designed to help locate and map aquatic and terrestrial invasive species in Wilderness Areas, Wild & Scenic Rivers, and other wild places across the 193 million-acre National Forest System, this new program engages and empowers the public, local communities, states, tribes, and many other groups to help the Forest Service confront the threats from harmful exotic plants, animals, and pathogens that invade America's beautiful and economically important wild places. The **Wild Spotter** program provides the tools these volunteers need to help locate, quantify, map, and report invasive species infestations in a simple and effective manner, while raising public awareness about invasive species and promoting collaborations across the landscape.



"We started the collaboration with these great partners to design and build the **Wild Spotter** program to expand citizen science volunteer capacity on 12 pilot National Forests and Grasslands distributed from East to West across the U.S., primarily to gather important occurrence data on invasive species and how they are impacting Wilderness Areas, Wild & Scenic Rivers, and other Natural Areas", said Mike Ielmini, National Invasive Species Program Manager in the USDA Forest Service headquarters in Washington, D.C. The first set of National Forest System units participating in the **Wild Spotter** program, includes the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forest (Idaho), Lincoln National Forest (New Mexico), Santa Fe National Forest (New Mexico), Bridger-Teton National Forest (Wyoming), Payette National Forest (Idaho), Willowa-Whitman National Forest (Oregon), Sitka National Forest (Oregon), Ozark-St. Francis National Forest (Arkansas), Daniel Boone National Forest (Kentucky), Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest (Wisconsin), Monongahela National Forest (West Virginia), and Shawnee National Forest (Illinois). Additional National Forests and Grasslands and other wild places across America will be added annually.

"As many new partners and groups scrambled to join this effort, and the demand increased for more places to be added to the **Wild Spotter** effort, we quickly realized the potential this program had to rapidly accelerate citizen-science support nationwide to address the invasive species threat, not just for National Forest Wilderness Areas and other wild places, but across the entire landscape. We have designed the program to benefit everyone across the landscape and boost citizen science capacity while raising public awareness and action", Ielmini added.

The elements within the **Wild Spotter** program provide adaptable tools and technologies for engaging a diverse array of public stakeholders and user groups, including natural resource agencies looking for community engagement opportunities. Utilizing a targeted list of "most wanted" species, volunteers receive information and support to get started as a **Wild Spotter** volunteer; all free. Once a **Wild Spotter** volunteer identifies and reports a species, the data is verified by experts and then made publically available through a networked invasive species inventory database hosted by the University of Georgia.

"The invasive species identification and mapping technology of **Wild Spotter** is based on the national Early Detection and Distribution Mapping System – EDDMapS for short", said Chuck Barger, Associate Director of the University of Georgia's Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem

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"Wild Spotter" will help track and stop spread of invasive species

Like these kudzu bugs overwintering in bark, invasive species can reduce biodiversity and productivity, weaken local economies, and impact human and animal health.

By Clint Thompson

Thanks to a new app, citizen scientists can help researchers track and stop the spread of invasive species like feral pigs, Chinese privet, cogongrass and kudzu bugs by reporting and mapping sightings of these invasive species.

The University of Georgia Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health partnered with the U.S. Forest Service and Wildlife Forever, a conservation

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New Citizen Science Effort to Map Invasive Species on the Siuslaw National Forest

Release Date: Aug 13, 2018

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Through a collaboration with over 20 partners, University of Georgia - Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health and Wildlife Forever are working with 12 pilot National Forests and Grasslands across the United States, including the Siuslaw National Forest, to gather important data on invasive species and how they are impacting wilderness areas, wild and scenic rivers, and other natural areas.

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"We are happy to be part of the Wild Spotter program and to offer the public a way to enjoy their national forest while helping us gather information on the locations of invasive species," said Forest Supervisor Angela Elam. "Invasive plants, pathogens, and animals can threaten recreational activities, productivity, and ecosystem health. This tool will help the forest to implement better strategies for prevention, control, and eradication."

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Forest Service and Partners Implement Wild Spotter Program

Release Date: Aug 3, 2016
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ELKINS, W.Va., August 3, 2016 – In partnership with the University of Georgia Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health, USDA Forest Service, and other organizations across the United States, Wildlife Forever has launched a nationwide citizen science volunteer program called *Wild Spotter*. Monongahela National Forest is participating in the pilot program, along with 11 other National Forests and Grasslands.

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"We are proud that *Wild Spotter* is expanding citizen science volunteer capacity against invasive species by capitalizing on the outdoor activities of millions of people who are already enjoying some of the most beautiful places in America, to help us gather information on the locations of these harmful exotic invaders in any ecosystem," said Chuck Bergeron, Associate Director of the University of Georgia's Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health. "Like the idea of 'see-something, say-something' *Wild Spotter* greatly enhances the early detection and rapid response capabilities of agencies like the Forest Service."

To become a *Wild Spotter* volunteer or partner visit <https://wildspotter.org/> or contact W. J. Cober, Forest Recreation Program Manager at 304-635-4436.

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Forest Service, partners implement Wild Spotter program

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Moderator: Anne Pearce, University of Wisconsin

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Megan Weber, University of Minnesota
- 8:20 AM** **Improving Invasive Species Management**
Anne Pearce, University of Wisconsin
- 8:40 AM** **Mobilizing Citizen Scientists; An**
Lauren Bell, Invasive Species Center
- 9:00 AM** **Empowering Citizens to Engage**
Beth Kallestad, University of Minnesota

9:20 AM **Wild Spotter: Mapping Invasives in America's Wild Places**
Chuck Barger, University of Georgia; Pat Conzemius, Wildlife Forever

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Thursday, February 29 3:00 PM EST



Speakers:

Chuck Barger and Mike Irimini

Chuck Barger is the Associate Director - Invasive Species and Information Technology at the University of Georgia Center for Invasive Species & Ecosystems.

Mike Irimini is the National Invasive Species Program Manager at the USDA Forest Service headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Wild Spotter: Mapping Invasive Species in Idaho's National Forests

Presentation title	Wild Spotter: Mapping Invasive Species in Idaho's National Forests
Co-contributors	Barger, C. T.
Your outreach role	Presenter
Presentation date	10 May 2018
Target audience	Professionals
Sponsoring organization	Idaho Invasive Species Council
Scope	State
Number of participants	20
Number of sessions	1
Contact hours	0.5
Total CEU/CLEs awarded	1
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Hi,

If you're not outside tomorrow afternoon, you might want to watch this webinar announcing "Wild Spotter" - a new project out of Chuck Bargerons Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health. See his email below for more details and please spread the word.

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Date: Tue, Jul 24, 2018 at 1:36 PM
Subject: REMINDER: Wild Spotter: Mapping Invasives in America's Wild Places Webinar
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Register for Wild Spotter: Mapping Invasives in America's Wild Places on Jul 26, 2018 3:00 PM EDT at:

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The University of Georgia - Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health and Wildlife Forever partnered with the USDA Forest Service for the 50th anniversary of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act and the National Trails System Act to recruit, train, and empower volunteers to provide critical scientific support with a new program to better address the expanding threat of aquatic and terrestrial invasive species. "Wild Spotter" is a



[CNIPM-L] Fwd: [Aliens-L] New Citizen Science Program Webinar: Wild Spotter: Mapping Invasives in America's Wild Places

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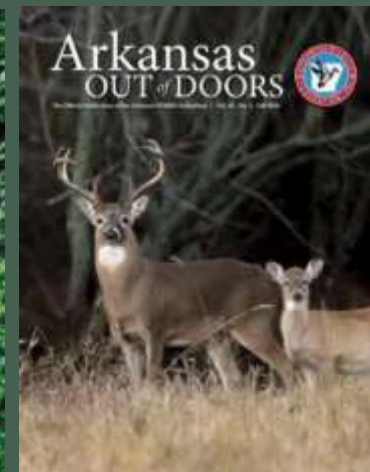
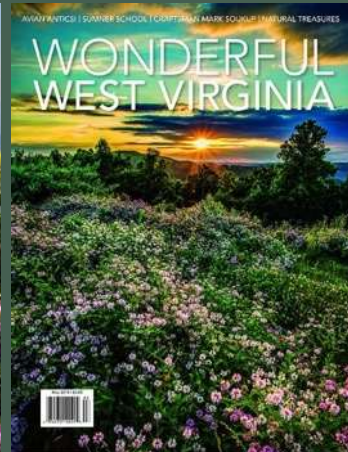
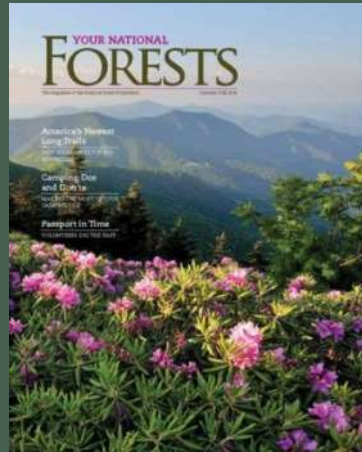
Register for Wild Spotter: Mapping Invasives in America's Wild Places on Jul 26, 2018 3:00 PM EDT at:

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The University of Georgia - Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health and Wildlife Forever partnered with the USDA Forest Service for the 50th anniversary of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act and the National Trails System Act to recruit, train, and empower volunteers to provide critical scientific support with a new program to better address the expanding threat of aquatic and terrestrial invasive species. "Wild Spotter" is a nationwide effort to complete a comprehensive survey, inventory, and



Print Advertising: Targeted Publications



Wild Spotter – Target Audience

- Materials and messages are being crafted to be specific to target audiences based on age, hobbies/interests, media consumed, etc.
- Messages targeted at those whose hobbies include boating (e.g., motor-powered boating, waterskiing, sailboats, etc.), fishing, swimming, etc. would cover:
 - aquatic species identification
 - boat/equipment cleaning tips
 - pathways and hotspots
 - Aimed at being cross-posted on social media of organizations focused on similar issues (e.g., Clean, Drain, Dry; Play, Clean, Go; etc.)

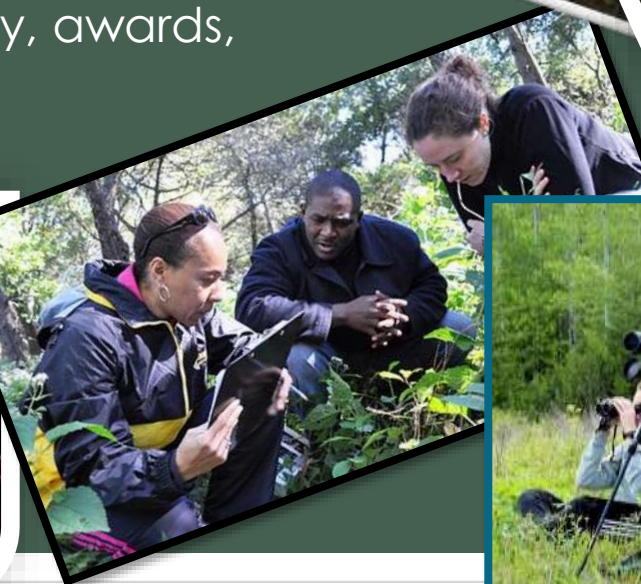
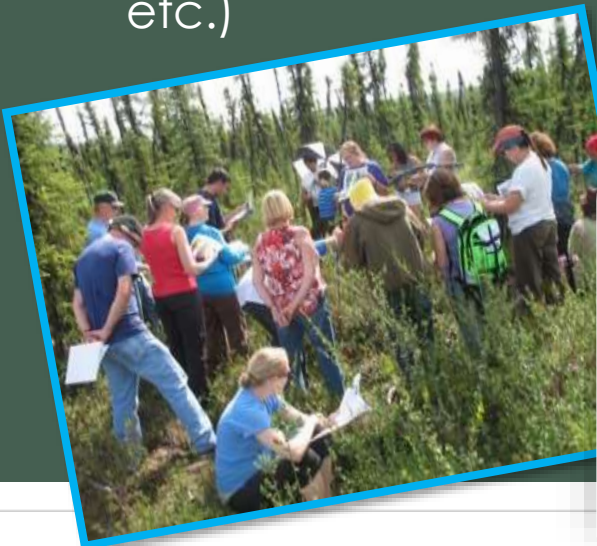


Wild Spotter Components



4) Volunteer Recruitment and Coordination

- Citizen Science Program Connection
- USFS Volunteer Program Connection
- Partnerships and Recruitment at all levels (local to national)
- Working with Corps Network and other Conservation Corps Partners
- Recognition and Support (Training, technology, awards, etc.)



Volunteer Recruitment and Coordination

- Volunteer incentives are highly recommended (e.g., Pilot Forest starter-kits). Certificates, pins, stickers, etc. to help thank volunteers for their support.
- Forests promoting Wild Spotter and help connect volunteers locally.
- Providing a seasonal Wild Spotter coordinator at each of the 12 Pilot Forests to help recruit and manage citizen scientists.
- Full-time coordinator hired at UGA to work directly with each National Forest (Wild Spotter project coordinator Rachel (Beyke) Carroll).
- Mentoring program established to help support and expand program on each National Forest.

Primary Collaborative Partners



- Technology (website, mobile apps, database, etc.)
- Training Materials
- Project Coordination



- Recruiting Forests and Forest personnel participation
- Verifying records
- Promotion and Volunteer Recruitment



- Marketing Campaign
- Partnerships

Regionally Based Partners



Uniting with
Wyoming Weed and Pest Control Districts
Wyoming Department of Agriculture
University of Wyoming



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Typically Based Partners



Become A Partner

- Partnerships are crucial for designing and implementing our resources as Wild Spotter works to manage invasive species through on-the-ground, community-based projects.
- Any organization can apply to become a partner
- Partners also directly solicited from programs that have similar goals; natural resource and invasive species management

Wild Spotter Partner Registration Form

Required Fields denoted by "**"

Company or Group *

Primary Contact Name *

Primary Contact Address *

Primary Contact Email *

Primary Contact Phone Number *

Type of Organization *

- Business Organization
- Conservation Advocates
- Conservation Organization
- Education Organization
- Federal Agencies
- Local Units of Government
- Pest Management Organization
- Public Land Managers
- Recreation Organization
- Other

Future Plans

- Expanding reporting outside USDA Forest Service lands
- Adding real-time species maps to the Wild Spotter website and to the apps
- Potentially adding overlays (sourced from the forests) on the maps to show where trails, look-outs, etc. are, as these are often hot-spots or pathways for invasive species
- Proximity alerts – “You are near a previously reported invasive species! Is it still there? Report in Wild Spotter!”

Questions?



“We are happy to be part of the Wild Spotter program and to offer the public a way to enjoy their national forest while helping us gather information on the locations of invasive species. Invasive plants, pathogens, and animals can threaten recreational activities, productivity, and ecosystem health. This tool will help the forest to implement better strategies for prevention, control, and eradication.”

Angela Elam, (interim) Forest Supervisor Siuslaw National Forest