



**Call for Citizen Scientists: Join a regional volunteer effort to detect and eradicate invasive plant species!**



## **2017 CITIZEN SCIENCE EARLY DETECTION, REPORTING AND IDENTIFICATION OF INVASIVE PLANTS TRAININGS**

### **About the Program**

The Pacific Northwest Invasive Plant Council (PNW IPC) is a non-profit conservation organization (<http://www.pnw-ipc.org/>) working in partnership with National Forests and Parks, Washington Dept. of Agriculture (WSDA), Department of Natural Resources (DNR), county noxious weed programs, and other local groups on a Citizen Science EDRR (Early Detection Rapid Response) program. With funding from the U.S. Forest Service, the WSDA and others we are gearing up for our fifth year to search for priority and newly emerging invasive plants in our National Forests, National Parks and other public lands. **We are excited to recruit new volunteers and inspire our current volunteer base to search for invasive plant populations.** We have identified specific focal areas to survey for invasive plants on National Forests and Parks, DNR and other state land but there is a great need to document emerging invasive populations on all public lands. If you are recreating and/or working on public lands and are interested in participating in our program and/or would like to learn more about invasive plants you are invited to attend one of our upcoming trainings.

### **Citizen Science EDRR Volunteer Training**

Our mission is to train citizens to identify a suite of invasive plants in a 2.5 hour *free* training where you will learn how to identify priority invasive species, how to record basic data and how to report findings on EDDMapSWest, a national early detection reporting system. Participants learn plant identification through a PowerPoint presentation, herbarium sheet specimens and live material. Participants also learn methods of manual removal and which species you should not attempt to remove. Trainings will equip volunteers with the knowledge necessary to conduct invasive plant surveys in order to support local land managers that need your help. Your efforts will directly support the maintenance of healthy **ecosystems**. Volunteers will receive an invasive plant identification booklet along with survey forms. **We ask that volunteers who sign up conduct 1-2 surveys over the field season.**

**8 Workshops in 2017:** Capacity will be limited, so if you would like to attend one of these *free* trainings, please RSVP to Andrew Fraser at [info@pnw-ipc.org](mailto:info@pnw-ipc.org) to reserve your place. **Participants may receive WSDA or ODA pesticide license recertification credits (2 credits per workshop plus an additional 3 credits if attending optional field training on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and June 23<sup>rd</sup>).**

## 2017 PNW-IPC CITIZEN SCIENCE TRAININGS

### 1. North Bend, WA

**Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:00am - 12:00pm**  
**Optional Field Training and Practice 12:30 - 3:00pm**

**Address:** North Bend Ranger Station, Meeting Hall (behind Ranger Station), 902 SE North Bend Way, North Bend, WA 98045  
**Hosted by:** Sasha Shaw, King County Noxious Weed Board; Jonathan Schmitt, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Forest Service

### 2. Bellingham, WA

**Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm - 3:30pm**

**Address:** Whatcom County Noxious Weed Control Board, 322 N. Commercial St., Suite 110, Bellingham WA 98225.  
The training will be held in the Civic Center Garden Level Meeting Room located at street level on the corner of Commercial & Lottie Streets across from the Bellingham Library & City Hall. There is street side metered parking but free parking space may be available two blocks away, across from the Bellingham Senior Center at Halleck & New Streets. Park in any spaces NOT labeled "Senior Center Parking."

**Hosted by:** Laurel Baldwin, Whatcom County Noxious Weed Board; Joseph Shea, Skagit County Noxious Weed Board

### 3. Springfield, OR

**Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup> 10:00am - 12:30pm**

**Address:** 3106 Pierce Parkway, Suite D, Springfield, OR 97477. The training will be in the Supervisor's Office, Room 213. Signs will direct you to the room location or ask the front desk for directions.

**Hosted by:** Jenny Lippert, Willamette National Forest; Claire Hibler, Northwest Oregon District – Bureau of Land Management

### 4. Seattle, WA

**Friday, June, 23<sup>rd</sup> 9:00 am - 12:00pm**  
**Optional Field Training and Practice 12:30 - 3:00pm**

**Address:** University of Washington Botanic Gardens, 3501 NE 41<sup>st</sup> Street, 98105. Douglas Classroom is located within the Greenhouse, enter the greenhouse doors and turn immediately left. Ample parking available.

**Hosted by:** Sasha Shaw, King County Noxious Weed Board; Katie Woolsey Washington State Department of Natural Resources

### 5. Sandy, OR

**Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm - 3:30pm**

**Address:** Mt. Hood National Forest Headquarters, 16400 Champion Way, Sandy, OR 97055.

**Hosted by:** David Lebo, Westside Zone Botanist, Mt. Hood National Forest; Sam Leininger, Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District

### 6. Stevenson, WA

**Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am - 12:00 pm**

**Address:** Wind River Training Center, 171 Martha Creek Road, Carson, WA 98610.

**Hosted by:** Jennifer DeShong and Carol Chandler, Gifford Pinchot National Forest; Emily Stevenson, Skamania County Noxious Weed Board

### 7. Chehalis, WA

**Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm - 3:30pm**

**Address:** Old Credit Union Bldg. - Lewis County Courthouse Campus, 56 Northwest Chehalis Avenue, Chehalis, WA 98532

**Hosted by:** Bradley Kriekhaus and Carol Chandler, Gifford Pinchot National Forest; Bill Wamsley, Lewis County Noxious Weed Control Board

### 8. Cle Elum, WA

**Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm - 3:30pm**

**Address:** Cle Elum Ranger District, Tom Craven Conference Room, 803 W 2nd St., Cle Elum, WA 98922. Enter at the rear parking lot behind the main Forest Service building on Douglas Monro Blvd. (rt. 4517) and head towards the large gravel parking lot on the left. The Tom Craven Conference room entrance is located on the north end of the parking lot.

**Hosted by:** Marc Eylar, Kittitas County Noxious Weed Board; Helen Lau, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest