

Nebraska Invasive Species Advisory Council

Agenda

Date: Friday, June 14, 2019

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Location: Hardin Hall Room 901, 3310 Holdrege St. Lincoln, NE 68583, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

I. Development of the 38 Banned Invasive Plant List in Ohio, Presenter: Dan Kenny, Ohio Dept. of Agriculture

- <https://www.oipc.info/invasive-plants-banned-on-ohio.html>
- Ohio invasive plant council- did their own risk assessment process and put together a watch list
 - Worked with nursery industry to evaluate plants using scoring sheet
- 2 years of stakeholder outreach-established Jan 2018-Prohibits sales of them
 - Gave industry 5 years after the rule passed to get the ornamental tree out of sales so they could use up their stock-did so since it takes 5 years to have a mature tree-so need to allow those to grow to maturity to sell-Jan 2023 will be banned (Box shops have already stopped selling it)-allows for research of the plant
- Columbus, OH-has an outer belt you can see these trees coming up on the sides of the road
- Can exempt a cultivar if science proves it is not invasive
- Internet sales are still an issue
- Biggest enforcement issue has been aquatic plants that are banned-so sales in aquarium stores and garden stores has been challenge
- Created an advisory council-provides advice to the director regarding invasive plants=includes Dept of Ag, Dept Nat Res, Dept EPA, member of academia Theresa Culley, and an industry rep and they have had 2 meetings
- To add plant-takes 6 months-public comment process in Chap. 119 of OH code
- 2 distinct lists in OH the noxious list and the banned list there are species on both lists
- Industry came with the momentum to pass it and had interacted with the OH invasive species council. Developing the framework first would have been helpful. Put in list first because legal prefers that.
- 38 species that were selected to be banned

II. Group Discussion on Next Steps Regarding Ornamental Pear Sales

- Julie Van Meter (NE Dept of Ag.) confirmed that she does not have any regulations which would allow banning sale of the tree
- Mitch-need to get industry on board first before going about banning sales of the tree
- Purple loosestrife- gave them 6 months to stop when it was listed noxious
- Find out from people in nurseries their perspective on sales of Callery tree
- Consult Lorrie & Kim about how naturalized it is in the area

III. Council Member Updates

- Craig Allen- is the Director for the new Center for Resilience in working Ag landscapes. Create a center, will do a roll out in the fall.
- Brent-Weed abatement for city of Lincoln. More push for natural landscapes, health department code is what regulates height of plants. Causes issues with rodents, fleas, fires. Encourages people to do the naturalized environment-could have it in a garden center or in the backyard. People call it a food supply, ecosystem tradeoffs-putting in. Managed and maintained- ordinances are so people are in compliance. Realtors call Brent because they

cannot sell house because people have crazy overgrown plants.

- Justin-Cooper Nuclear station by Brownville has been water challenged. Going to do a full zebra mussel eradication treatment in the plant in June. Power plant in Gerald Gentleman station is not planning to do a treatment-did one last year and did not have any Asian clams last year. Columbus telegram ran a story on the council and Justin King and Arnie Stuthman were featured: https://columbustelegram.com/news/local/ricketts-appoints-columbus-residents-to-boards-commissions/article_f7ef95dd-3976-52e0-b425-6c02e09983d0.html
- Brent-weed association-Sept/Oct 2021 invasive species management Assoc meeting in here- will be in Lincoln- 250 to 400 people. Have Allison Zach consult innovation campus- Monday to Thursday.
 - Riparian task force-meeting in Alma next week and have funds \$456,000.
- Kelsey-Cunningham is still being drained and June 2020 or beyond NGPC for Asian Carp- Construction-treating carp this fall, open the gate drawn through. Day use activity open in the winter only. Entire park is closed because people were ATV on dam and breaking signage.
 - Brent was concerned about phragmites when lake goes down phragmites and other noxious can come in.
 - Filled in a week-so will be quick fill
- Steven-agro forester-Loren Mayo from Washington State will be starting at NRCS DC and national agro forester position. Wildfire season is upon us. Climate adaptation workshop last couple days cheat grass is a concern in Chardon. Local landowners have not seen it that high before. It could be a bad fire season year because of that.
 - Waiver from FDA-to feed bio char to feed to cattle, reduce in methane, increase efficiency of animal-

IV. The Next Meeting is July 12, 2019

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