2019 CITIZEN SCIENCE EARLY DETECTION RAPID RESPONSE REPORTING AND IDENTIFICATION OF INVASIVE PLANTS WORKSHOPS

*All trainings are eligible for up to 2.5 WSDA, SER, and SWS/PWS recertification credits

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. We are gearing up for our eighth year to search for priority and newly emerging invasive plants in our National Forests, National Parks and other 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 FREE upcoming trainings.

Citizen Science EDRR Volunteer Training

We offer a 2.5 hour 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 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.  

Workshops in 2019: ***Some details are still to be determined. Please check our Facebook page regularly for updates. Capacity will be limited, so if you would like to attend one of these free trainings, please RSVP to Marisa Deluccia at pnw.ipc.org@gmail to reserve your place!

1. **Mount Vernon, WA**
   **Friday, May 17th, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm**
   **Address:** Padilla Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, 10441 Bayview Edison Rd, Mt. Vernon, WA 98273
   **Hosted by:** Joseph Shea, Skagit Co. Noxious Weed Coordinator
   **RSVP at:** https://www.pnw-ipc.org/events/mount-vernon-invasive-plant-identification-training

2. **Bellingham, WA**
   **Thursday, May 23rd, 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm**
   **Address:** Whatcom County Public Works Building, 322 N Commercial St #210, Bellingham, WA 98225
   **Hosted by:** Laurel Baldwin, Whatcom Co. Noxious Weed Control Board
   **RSVP at:** https://www.pnw-ipc.org/events/bellingham-invasive-plant-identification-training

3. **Chehalis, WA**
   **Wednesday, June 5th, Start Time: 10:00 am – 12:30 pm**
   **Address:** Community Event Building at Southwest WA Fairgrounds, 2555 N National Ave, Chehalis WA 98532
   **Hosted by:** Bill Wamsley, Lewis Co. Noxious Weed Control Board
   **RSVP at:** https://www.pnw-ipc.org/events/chehalis-invasive-plant-identification-training
4. Snohomish County, WA  
   **Saturday, June 8th, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm**
   Address: Snohomish County Road Maintenance Facility, 8915 Cathcart Way, Snohomish, WA 98296
   Hosted by: Jonathane Schmitt, King Co. Noxious Weed Board

5. North Bend, WA  
   **Sunday, June 9th, 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm**
   Address: North Bend Ranger Station, Meeting Hall (behind station), 902 SE North Bend Way, North Bend, WA 98045
   Hosted by: Sasha Shaw, King Co. Noxious Weed Board, and Jonathane Schmitt, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Forest Service

6. Auburn, WA  
   **Saturday, June 15th, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm**
   Address: Green River College (PNW Conference Room), 12401 SE 320th St., Auburn, WA 98092
   Hosted by: Jonathane Schmitt, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Forest Service

7. Seattle, WA  
   **Saturday, June 22nd, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm**
   Address: Center for Urban Horticulture, Douglas Classroom, 3501 41st Street, Seattle, WA 98195
   Hosted by: Sasha Shaw, King Co. Noxious Weed Board

8. Sandy, OR  
   **Saturday, June 22nd, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm**
   Address: Sandy Senior Center, 9310 S 1300 E, Sandy, OR, 94094
   Hosted by: David Lebo, Westside Zone Botanist, Mt. Hood National Forest; Sam Leininger, Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District
   RSVP link coming soon