

Hamilton County CISMA Meeting Agenda/Notes December 2021
12/1/2021/2021 at 6 pm on Zoom

1) Welcome

- a) Welcome new attendees (10)

2) HIP HIP HOORAY – personal achievements (any good life or invasives news)

- a) CCPR Receives Clark Ketchum Conservation Award in Recognition of Habitat Preservation Project
https://www.carmelclayparks.com/press_release/ccpr-receives-conservation-award/
- b) Lana was able to present on the work they have done in the volunteer program at CCPR.
- c) Shelly's husband made a writing pen from honeysuckle. Super cool! Lana's friend made a wintercreeper coaster.
- d)

3) Upcoming events, event summaries, important dates ([/www.hcinvasives.org/education](http://www.hcinvasives.org/education))

- a) National Association of Conservation Districts Urban and Community Conservation Webinar Collaborative Invasive Species Management featuring HIP and SICIM - December 16, 2021 4:00 PM – 5pm
<https://nacdnet.app.neoncrm.com/np/clients/nacdnet/eventRegistration.jsp?event=1201&>
- b) HIP Partner GIS Mtg January 11th, 2022
<https://hamiltonswcd.salsalabs.org/HIPGISplanningmtg11122/index.html?page=register>

4) Education Station

- a) Carmel Middle School Invasives Day recap- Kim Gauen
 - i) Kim attended their science fair type event dedicated to invasive species. They have scientists attend and people rotate around the kid's projects and talk to the students about their work (6th graders). The kid's id an invasive species and why it is an issue and promote "solutions" to the problem. Attendees talk to the kids about the solutions they promote and their presentation skills. Then the kids were able to ask questions of the scientists. Kim is also working with the teacher to see how they might be able to help share the program with other schools.

5) HIP General

- a) Weed Wrangles - Hamilton County Invasive Species Awareness Week 2022 -- April 16-23
 - i) Register your WW, more info/volunteer info:
<http://invasivesinhamilton.weebly.com/registerww.html>
 - ii) Hosts: report your data after here: www.hcinvasives.org/weed-wrangle-post-event-submission.html
 - iii) *Send email to email list for spring planning.
- b) GIS mapping project – Claire
 - i) Meeting scheduled for Tuesday January 11th, 2022, 10-11 am, Hamilton County Fairgrounds- Annex Building
 - ii) Register: <https://hamiltonswcd.salsalabs.org/HIPGISplanningmtg11122/index.html?page=register>
- c) Invasive species trade in program update and grant application 2022
 - i) The promotions were out. Claire ordered ~400 seedlings from the state tree nursery for a tree giveaway or swap. We can potentially give these away to other parks departments and we can run a county wide swap seedling program. CCPR has their own ordered as well. Idea: develop a tag or brochure (maybe Duke can pay?). Having more options (mature species size) should help.
- d) 2022 Meeting schedule – Claire presented the 2022 meeting schedule. It is all subject to change but we are going with general meetings every other month. We're sticking to 12 pm because, at this point, we are not getting any additional attendees at the 6pm timeslot. Meetings will be in person and an online offering and subject to change in response to covid.
- e) Boot Brush Program Update - All seven are in the ground! Claire is using some leftover program funds to purchase up to 13 more before the end of the year.
- f) 2022 Goal Setting Update – both committees are working on goals. Look for emails with items to review and comment on. In January we will meet to fine tune and combine.

6) Technical Committee Update

- a) Control/phenology calendar update – Kim is continuing to collect data and update the sheet. The issue will become how to display the data. ID when they are most conspicuous, most susceptible to treatment, and

most comfortable/safest to treat. Target audience is land managers or people trying to time their control efforts. This could be useful for the education side as well (social media, etc.).

- b) Applicator License 2022 Brochure- https://ppp.purdue.edu/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Corebrochure.pdf?fbclid=IwAR2Il64FSbMsoYv5gPAyiUY4bu6boa6QWoPHSf_YISGZBfPdah3vGajtEGI

7) Education Committee Update

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8) Partner Updates

- a) SWCD -
- b) CCPR – Lana mentioned that they are hosting their first ever tree recycling event. Central Park West Commons on Jan 2nd from 12-4 pm. Drive up, volunteers will help unload, participants will get a little thank you. We should raise awareness about invasive pests and disease that can come in on holiday trees and greenery.
- c) HCMGA – Nov. newsletter article will highlight what the group has accomplished in cooperation with the Strike Team. In January the committee fair they will do special signage.
- d) SICIM – Stephanie mentioned that SICIM is rebranding as the State of Indiana Cooperative Invasive Management. This should help limit confusion as SICIM’s work is statewide!
- e) WGT – Member purchased 450 tree to be distributed in the spring.
- f) General—

9) Next meeting(s)

- a) HIP – 1st Wednesday of Jan, March, May, July, September, November at 12pm, in person and online
 - i) Register: <https://www.hcinvasives.org/hip-meetings.html>
- b) Education Committee – 3rd Wednesday at noon
- c) Technical Committee – 2nd Wednesday at 2:30