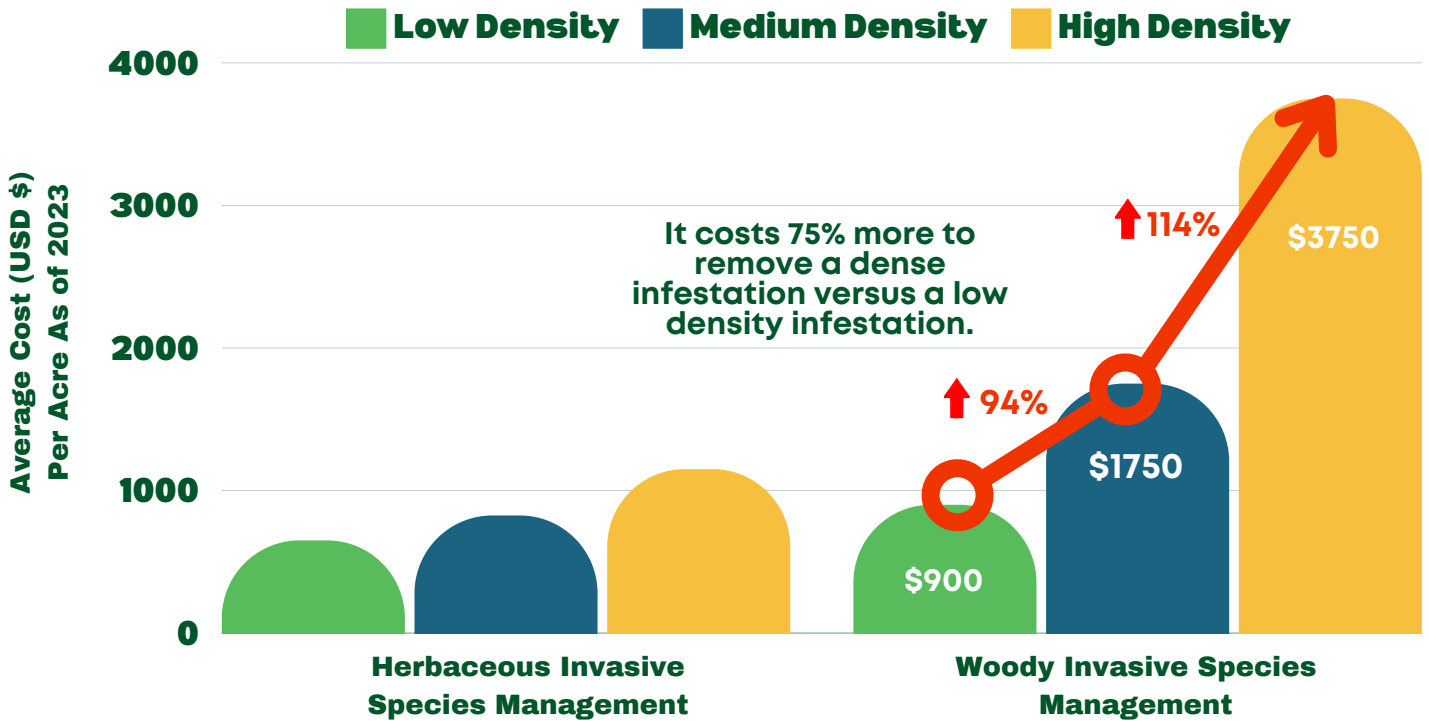


The Cost of Waiting



Fast growth is a key characteristic of most invasive species. This fast growth does more than destroy ecosystems, it gives us less time to react before the cost to remove becomes unaffordable. Native forests take decades to grow and mature, but an invasive species infestation can take over in just a few years.

THERE'S NO TIME LIKE THE PRESENT

If you plan on managing invasive species on your property, it is hard to deny the benefits of getting started early.

Lower costs, greater benefit to local ecosystems, quicker recovery times, easier work, the list goes on and on. The biggest thing getting in our way is taking that first step, so next time you take a look at your budget to decide if now is the right time to start removing invasive species ask yourself this; can you afford not to?



This data was collected by averaging estimates for similar work from ecological restoration firms in the Indianapolis area. These estimates are only for the removal of invasive species and do not factor in restoration costs.

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