

MCL Invasive Plant Subcommittee

Meeting of Wednesday, April 18, 2018

Agenda

Time and Place: Third day (Wed.) of the third week of every month at 3:00 p.m. (3/3/3), 175 North Redwood Dr., Muir Woods Conference Room (across the corridor from MCL offices in Suite 135). Plenty of parking onsite.

Announcements/Calendar Items/Info Sharing:

- Earth Day Sat. April 21
- Presentation of MCOSD 2017 Report and 2018-2019 Work Plan at BOS meeting April 24
- Next IPM Commission meeting Fri April 27
- Eva's presentation to Master Gardeners re invasive plants, May 23
- Prop 68 on the ballot, June 5
- Presentation by Ellen Hamingson, Restoration Biologist at Point Reyes NS at our May meeting.
- MMWD DEIR for the BFFIP expected later this year

Agenda Items

- Eva: Report on the National Pesticide Information Center, Oregon State U, Webinar on pesticide use
- Marabeth: Report on loan sources for weed wrenches in Marin County
- Paul: Report on Harding grass on SMART ROW west of Civic Center station
- Paul: Report on attending the board meeting of Mill Valley Stream Keepers
- MCL meetings with directors regarding MCL comments on the MCOSD draft Vegetation & Biodiversity Management 2017 Report and 2018-2019 Work Plan.
- Questions and comments on County Parks Annual Report 2016-2017 (continued) (Sarah Minnick)
- Followup to July 2017 meeting with Staff of Marin County Parks (Sarah Minnick)
 - MCP's draft invasive plant list.
 - Proposed MCP volunteer biodiversity projects: Ring Mountain jubata grass, and Old St. Hilary's stinkwort.

-MCOSD website to serve as a resource for citizens and other agencies county-wide regarding invasive plants.

-Sites and types of projects we would like to tour

Admin and other items

-Committee and members' goals for the coming year

-Problems of invasive plants and trash in the environment of the MCL office building.

-Additions to our interested persons email list.

-Committee members' joining Cal-IPC and suggesting other new members

-Updates to Cal-IPC's invasive plant inventory and new watch list

-2017 updates to Plant Right's inventory

-EPA's preliminary ecological risk assessment for glyphosate

-MCOSD encroachment ordinance update (and PM revisions)

Long Term Issue Tracking

-MMWD BFFIP, DEIR & annual work plans

-MCOSD VMP & annual work plans

-Ag Commissioner's proposed invasive plant ordinance

-Jerry Meral's water bond proposal

-County Stream Conservation Ordinance amendment and interpretation

-County pesticide awareness program

-San Rafael General Plan update

-Novato General Plan update

-Measure A, city expenditures & annual work plans, and balancing program expenditures among new capital projects, maintenance, fire protection, and invasive plant management.

-Mill Valley invasive plant policy, public education program, and heritage tree ordinance

-Ecological restoration funding figures for all open space agencies in Marin

Mission Statement

The mission of the Invasive Plant Subcommittee of the Parks and Open Space Committee is to educate and inform the citizens of Marin County about the threat to our open spaces posed by invasive plants and to mobilize the human, financial, governmental and institutional resources of our county to take effective action to restore our open space habitats to their natural condition to the maxim extent reasonably feasible.