

New England Wetlands Program Development Grant Webinar Series

Mapping Invasive Species & Tracking Vernal Pools: Using Web-Based Tools to Improve Wetlands Work

New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission (NEIWPCC) is pleased to invite you to attend the first webinar presentation in our New England Wetlands Program Development Grant Webinar series. This webinar is scheduled for February 12, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. eastern time. Below you will find details about the selected presentations.

iMapInvasives – A New Tool for Invasive Plant Mapping and Management in Maine

Presenter: Nancy Olmstead, *Maine Natural Areas Program*.

iMapInvasives is an online invasive species mapping tool which also allows a manager to keep track of treatment efforts; this tool was launched in Maine in 2014. Using iMapInvasives to map invasive plants allows a manager to understand what species are present, where, and in what abundance. These data allow for prioritization of scarce control resources, facilitating a more effective response. Input of data to a statewide repository also allows for better understanding of invasive plant distribution. Several case studies will illustrate how Maine land managers are using iMapInvasives.

The Massachusetts Vernal Pool & Rare Species Information System

Presenter: Sarah Haggerty, *Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program, Massachusetts Division of Fisheries & Wildlife*.

VPRS Information System is a web-based mapping and data submittal application for vernal pool certifications and rare species observation reports. This system allows users to create and submit vernal pool and rare species documentation through a secure online system. In addition, the VPRS allows NHESP staff to review and process submitted records through an efficient electronic system, and provides real-time updates to the existing Certified Vernal Pool (CVP) datalayer available through MassGIS and the town rare species lists available on the NHESP website.

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Thursday, February 12, 2015

3:00-4:30 PM

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- > Dial-In: 1-877-359-1417
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