



FoHVOS New Jersey Invasive Species Strike Team

Private Forest Landowner Invasive Species Management Project

The New Jersey Invasive Species Strike Team is recruiting private forest landowners to participate in our US Forest Service Landscape Scale Restoration project. The goal of the project is to support forest health through the creation and implementation of site-specific invasive species management plans.

Strike Team Commitments

- Perform a property survey to map conservation values and invasive species.
- With landowner, develop a concise 10-Year Invasive Species Management Plan with the goal of formulating effective and efficient strategies to reduce invasive species impacts on conservation values.
 - Plans will be 2-3 pages including survey findings, annual treatment goals and associated maps.
- Perform year 1 plan treatment goals
- Be available to provide consultations with landowners (and their certified foresters where applicable) throughout the 10-year plan period.
- Provide additional invasive species treatments as allowed by future funding.

Landowner Commitments

- Own a minimum of 10 forest acres and/or own forest land adjacent to preserved open space.
 - Ideally, properties would consist of > 20 forest acres and be located within core forest areas within the priority forest regions shown on the attached map.
- Provide permission to access your land to perform invasive species surveys.
- Communicate property goals and values to assist with plan preparation. Where applicable, provide current forest management plans.
- Provide permission to access your land to perform invasive species control work (implementation of year 1 plan management goals). When appropriate, control efforts will include the use of herbicides applied by Strike Team staff (all are NJDEP Certified Pesticide Applicators and Operators).
- Landowners are not required to implement the plan beyond year 1, but we hope that they will consider incorporating the invasive species management plan into current and future forest management plans.

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