



County Road Association  
OF MICHIGAN

# Invasive Species Management Workshop

Wednesday, October 30, 2019 | 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**New location!** Holiday Inn | 5278 E. Pickard Rd., Mt. Pleasant | 989.317.8686



## AGENDA

8:30 a.m. **Registration with donuts and coffee**

9-10:15 a.m. | SESSION 1

**Getting to know: The Michigan Invasive Species Program**

10:30-11:30 a.m. | SESSION 2

**Down in the weeds: Invasive species in the ROW**

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. | LUNCH

**Lunch with your local CISMA**

12:30-1:45 p.m. | SESSION 3

**Spend less, get more with a CISMA**

2-3 p.m. | SESSION 4

**County peers talk invasive species strategies**

## From deep underground, out of the darkness comes: The Invasive Species Workshop!

CRA is partnering with the Michigan Invasive Species Program in a low-cost, day-long workshop to better control invasive weed species in the road right-of-way (ROW).

Invasive experts will present resources available to road agencies including community management efforts through Cooperative Invasive Species Management Areas (CISMAs) and available grants for control.

Your "ticket" includes donuts, snacks, lunch and an opportunity to talk with a local CISMA.

**Ticket pricing: \$89** (includes donuts, snacks and lunch)

## Register online now!

[micountyroads.org/InvasiveSpeciesWorkshop](http://micountyroads.org/InvasiveSpeciesWorkshop)

**For more information, contact:**

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The Michigan Invasive Species Program can help road agencies plan, prioritize and sometimes fund (regional grants) invasive species management in the roadway. Get a live demo of a custom mobile app for identifying and reporting invasive species.

**Joanne Foreman**, *invasive species communications coordinator, Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR)*

10:30-11:30 a.m. | SESSION 2

## **Down in the weeds: Invasive species in the ROW**

What are the invasive species county road agencies should look out for? From the well-known *Phragmites* to the unstoppable Japanese Knot Weed, this session covers six invasive species that may be lurking in the right-of-way or creeping around the corner, and how to handle them.

**Ryan Wheeler**, *invasive species biologist, DNR*

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## **Spend less, get more with a CISMA**

One of the road agency's strongest weapons in the battle against invasive species is a CISMA, a regional group that provides a hub to plan, treat and eliminate invasive species across local borders. See what a CISMA can do for you.

**Christina Baugher**, *aquatic invasive species biologist, DNR*

**Fallon Januska**, *BCK CISMA Coordinator*

**Jarod Harmon**, *SMIST CISMA Coordinator*

2-3 p.m. | SESSION 4

## **County peers talk invasive species strategies**

After all the options and new info, which road agencies have joined neighbors to battle invasives together? No one can tell it better than your peers on the frontline where invasive species meet the right-of-way.

*Roundtable discussion moderated by Joanne Foreman*

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