



## Vermont Monitoring Cooperative 2011 Annual Meeting - Monday, October 31, 2011

Vermont Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation – The University of Vermont – USDA Forest Service

LOCATION: Waterman Memorial Lounge (Rm. 338), Waterman Building, University of Vermont Campus

# "Invaders in Vermont Forests"

## Morning Session:

8:15-9:00 am	Registration – Refreshments – Poster set-up
9:00 am	Welcome and Introductory Remarks Lawrence Forcier, Principal Investigator, Vermont Monitoring Cooperative
9:15 am	"A contemporary ecological perspective on invasive species in forests" Thomas Vogelmann, Dean, College of Agriculture & Life Sciences, University of Vermont
10:00 am	"A contemporary legal and political perspective on invasive species in Vermont forests" David Mears, Commissioner, Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation
10:45 am	Break - Refreshments and snacks – posters
<u>News From Our Cooperators</u> Moderated by Nancy Burt, Soil Scientist, Green Mountain & Finger Lakes National Forests	
11:00 am	"Update on Emerald Ash Borer & Asian Long-horned Beetle" Barbara Burns, Forest Health Program Manager, Vermont Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation
11:15 am	"New location for the Lye Brook IMPROVE site" Rich Poirot, Air Quality Planner, Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation
11:30 am	"Update on Burlington i-Tree Project" Sara Williams?
11:45 am	"Mount Mansfield Research and Stewardship Center" Chris Rimmer & Rick Paradis
12:00 am	Lunch, and poster session

#### <u>Over</u>

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#### Afternoon Session:

1:00 pm Panel: "Invasive species effects on forest ecosystem production and stability" *Jim Kellogg, Aquatic Biologist, Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation Sharon Plumb, Invasive Species Coordinator, Vermont Chapter of The Nature Conservancy Bob Popp, Department Botanist, Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department Kathy Decker, Forestry District Manager, Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation & Vermont Invasive Exotic Plant Committee (VIEPC)* 

Moderated by Deane Wang, Associate Professor, University of Vermont

2:30 pm Closing Remarks (tentatively) By Michael Snyder, Commissioner, Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation

Adjourn

## Posters

Assessing the implications of high-elevation housing and recreational development on cold season processes and runoff production in northern New England, USA. *By: Beverley Wemple, University of Vermont and Jamie Shanley, US Geological Survey.* 

Northeastern States Research Cooperative: A Research Program for the Northern Forest. By: USDA Forest Service and NSRC Affiliates.

Could freezing injury threaten American chestnut restoration in the north? By: Thomas M. Saielli<sup>1</sup>, Paul G. Schaberg<sup>2</sup>, Gary J. Hawley<sup>1</sup>, Joshua M. Halman<sup>1</sup> and Kendra M. Gurney<sup>3</sup>.

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