

Invasive Plant Management Training

March 2, 2019 Albert J. Boro Community Center (50 Canal St, San Rafael, CA 94901)

Agenda

10:00 Sign-in, Refreshments

10:15 Introduction

Importance of invasive plant management; Setting strategy and tracking progress; Regional coordination and the role of volunteer groups. Importance of sharing knowledge - today's meeting overview. *[Cal-IPC]*

10:30 Biology and Management of Invasive Plants

Life strategy differences among invasive plants and how they influence control methods (annual, perennial, vine, woody); ID resources. Principles of IPM; Strategic approaches; Mechanical, chemical, cultural and biological tools; Limiting spread of seeds and pathogens. *[Marin County Parks and Open Space District - Kat Knecht]*

11:15 Project and Management Resources

Resources that are available to help you with your volunteer program. Featured resources include: Calflora, the Observer Pro smartphone app, Cal-IPC resources, Weeds of the West, Weeds of California, and the Wildland Volunteer Network map. *[Cal-IPC]*

11:50 Strategy and Prioritization on Invasive Plant Projects

Presentation on steps towards site or restoration planning, How to set objectives, prioritization of needs, adaptive management and the importance of monitoring. *[Cal-IPC]*

12:10 Lunch (brown bag, bring your own)

12:40 Volunteer Coordination – how to organize volunteer efforts effectively

Key components: agency relations, project based solutions, recruitment, education and safety *[Marin County Parks and Open Space District - Greg Reza]*

1:00 Local Project Management Approaches

UCCE Marin County: Marin Knotweed Action Team
CNPS Marin
SPAWN
Marin Audubon Society

1:25 Restoration Tour / Observer Pro Demonstration

Tour a local wetland restoration project. Along the way we'll take plant observations on smartphones using Calflora's Observer Pro app. *[Marin Audubon, Cal-IPC]*

2:30 Publishing Field Observations to Calflora (OPTIONAL)

Return inside Community Center to upload and publish Observer Pro observations. *[Cal-IPC]*

2:45 Adjourn

