

# Invasive Plant Grant Urban Forestry Assessment

## KNOWLEDGE

*Instructions. Please indicate on a scale of 1 to 7 whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. One indicates strong disagreement and seven indicates strong agreement.*

	Strongly Disagree			Strongly Agree			
1. Invasive plants are harmful to Ohio's environment.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2. Invasive plants are harmful to Ohio's economy.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3. Invasive plants are harmful to Ohio's society.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

## OTHER'S PERCEIVED KNOWLEDGE

4. Most people important to me think invasive plant species are harmful to Ohio's environment.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
5. Most people important to me think invasive plant species are harmful to Ohio's economy.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
6. Most people important to me think invasive plant species are harmful to Ohio's society.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

## AWARENESS

	Strongly Disagree			Strongly Agree			
7. Invasive plants affect my everyday life.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8. Invasive plants is an issue that is relevant to me.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
9. I often think about invasive plants.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

## ATTITUDE

	Strongly Disagree			Strongly Agree			
10. Invasive plants are something I cannot control.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
11. I think that invasive plants are inevitable in Ohio.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
12. Invasive plants cannot be controlled in Ohio.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
13. There is a lot I can do to help control invasive species.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
14. There is little that I can do to help control invasive species.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

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**SKILLS**

	Strongly Disagree						Strongly Agree
15. Talking to other people about the threats of invasive plants in Ohio will help control invasive plants.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
16. Reporting invasive plants to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources will help control invasive plants.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
17. Not collecting and planting unidentified seeds will help control invasive plants.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
18. Volunteering to help maintain parks and nature trails will help control invasive plants.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
19. Planting and maintaining native plants in my yard and garden will help control invasive plants.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
20. Killing invasive plants on my property will help control invasive plants.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
21. Encouraging nurseries to avoid invasive non-native plants will help control invasive plants.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

**SKILLS ID**

*Instructions. Please tell me if you think the following are native or non-native species in Ohio, or if you are not sure. For every non-native species state whether or not it is invasive.*

22. Multiflora Rose	Native	Non-native invasive	Non-native non-invasive	not sure
23. Spicebush	Native	Non-native invasive	Non-native non-invasive	not sure
24. Purple Loosestrife	Native	Non-native invasive	Non-native non-invasive	not sure
25. Jack-in-the-Pulpit	Native	Non-native invasive	Non-native non-invasive	not sure
26. Chinese kousa dogwood	Native	Non-native invasive	Non-native non-invasive	not sure
27. Amur Honeysuckle	Native	Non-native invasive	Non-native non-invasive	not sure
28. Butterfly milkweed	Native	Non-native invasive	Non-native non-invasive	not sure
29. Autumn Olive	Native	Non-native invasive	Non-native non-invasive	not sure
30. Garlic Mustard	Native	Non-native invasive	Non-native non-invasive	not sure
31. Tree-of-Heaven	Native	Non-native invasive	Non-native non-invasive	not sure
32. Japanese tree lilac	Native	Non-native invasive	Non-native non-invasive	not sure
33. Kudzu	Native	Non-native invasive	Non-native non-invasive	not sure

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**ASPIRATION**

	Strongly Disagree						Strongly Agree
34. In the next six months, I will do my part to stop invasive plants in Ohio.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
35. In the next six months, I will try to control invasive plant species.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
36. Minimizing invasive plant species is something I intend to do during the next six months.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

**COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT**

*Instructions. In this section the questions pertain to your community. Please indicate an answer of Yes, No, or not sure.*

	True/ YES	False/ NO	NS
37. Managing the trees along my street and green space within my parks is currently a priority of mine.	_____	_____	_____
38. I would take advantage of education and training about invasive plants if it were available.	_____	_____	_____
39. Invasive plants are unavoidable in my community.	_____	_____	_____
40. My community has successfully removed invasive plants.	_____	_____	_____
41. Invasive plants are a problem for my community.	_____	_____	_____
42. I believe all non-native plants are invasive.	_____	_____	_____
43. Invasive plants do little economic harm to my community.	_____	_____	_____
44. I am comfortable in my ability to distinguish between invasive and non-invasive plants.	_____	_____	_____
45. My invasive plant management knowledge is good.	_____	_____	_____
46. Invasive plants pose a health risk to my residents.	_____	_____	_____
47. Invasive plants detract from the quality of life for our residents.	_____	_____	_____
48. We currently have policies that address invasive plants.	_____	_____	_____
49. Non government organizations or NGOs are addressing invasive plant issues in my community.	_____	_____	_____
50. It would be helpful to have my public works staff educated about invasive plants.	_____	_____	_____
51. Invasive plants have caused damage to my community's infrastructure.	_____	_____	_____
52. My community has an entrance or portal planting.	_____	_____	_____
53. Have you ever worked with a government or non-government agency to combat invasive plants?	_____	_____	_____
54. Are developers required to follow written invasive plant guidelines?	_____	_____	_____

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- |  | True/<br>YES | False/<br>NO | NS    |
|--|--------------|--------------|-------|
| 55. Do you believe the management of invasive plants should be integrated into your community's day-to-day activities? | _____        | _____        | _____ |
| 56. We currently have a problem with invasive plants in my community   | _____        | _____        | _____ |
| 57. We frequently receive residential complaints about invasive plants   | _____        | _____        | _____ |
| 58. Over the next several years, the invasive plant problem will get worse for my community.                           | _____        | _____        | _____ |
| 59. My community is well equipped with the knowledge and resources necessary to remove invasive plants.                | _____        | _____        | _____ |
| 60. My community needs assistance addressing invasive plant issues.  | _____        | _____        | _____ |
| 61. My experience with the ODNR has been favorable.  | _____        | _____        | _____ |

Please explain. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

- |  | True/<br>YES | False/<br>NO | NS    |
|--|--------------|--------------|-------|
| 62. My experience with the Wayne National Forest has been favorable. | _____        | _____        | _____ |

Please explain. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

63. Of the following, which is the best method for your municipal personnel to receive information about invasive plants?

- Internet       Classroom lecture       Conference       Demonstration  
 Workshop       DVD       Other ( \_\_\_\_\_ )

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

*IV. Instructions. Please tell us a little bit about yourself by indicating which option best describes you..*

64. I am a  Male  Female
65. How old are you? \_\_\_\_\_ (in years)

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66. How would you describe your ethnicity?

- White/Caucasian
- Black/African American
- Asian American
- Hispanic American
- Native American, American Indian, Aleutian Islander
- Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

67. What is your occupation? \_\_\_\_\_

68. Is your home next to public lands (like a national forest or public park)?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

69. What is the highest level of grade or year of school you completed?

- Grade 8 or less       Some college
- Some high school       BA or BS degree
- Grade 12 or GED       Postgraduate or professional degree

*Thanks for your help with this survey. Your answers will help us to better address the issue of invasive species in Ohio. Would you be willing to complete a follow-up assessment?  Yes  No*

Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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