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Hemlock Woolly Adelgid Biology, Identification, and Management

January 27, 2018

What is Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA)?

An invasive pest of hemlock trees.

Adelges tsugae

Family *Adelgidae* is closely related to aphids

(sometimes referred to as woolly conifer aphids)





Hemlock Woolly Adelgid: The Problem

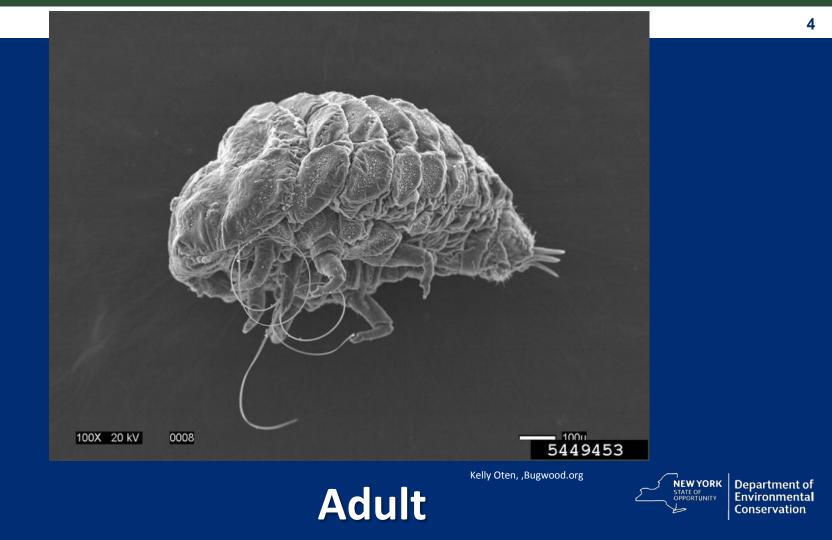
Asexual reproduction (all females)

- One individual can start a new population
- High Reproductive Potential
 - 2 generations per year & up to 200 eggs/female, but generally less
 - 1 x 100 x 50 = 5,000 potential progeny from 1 female/yr.

Native natural enemies are lacking in the Eastern US

Classical biocontrol efforts are ongoing

No documented resistance by Eastern or Carolina hemlock





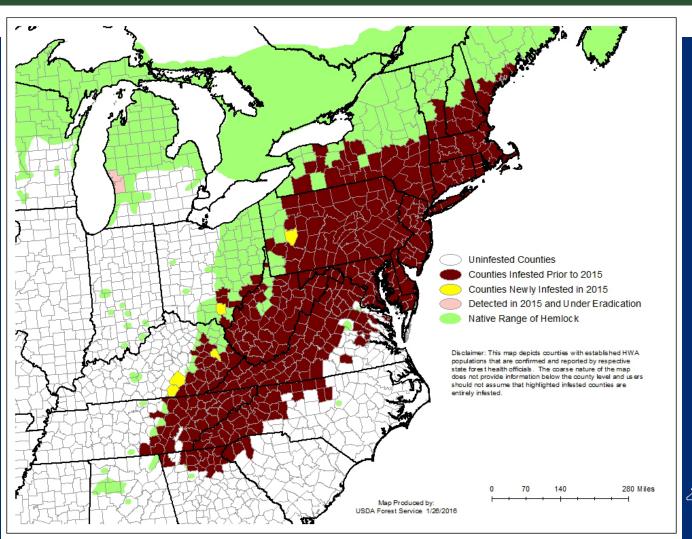
Worldwide distribution of HWA and Tsuga species. Havill 2008.



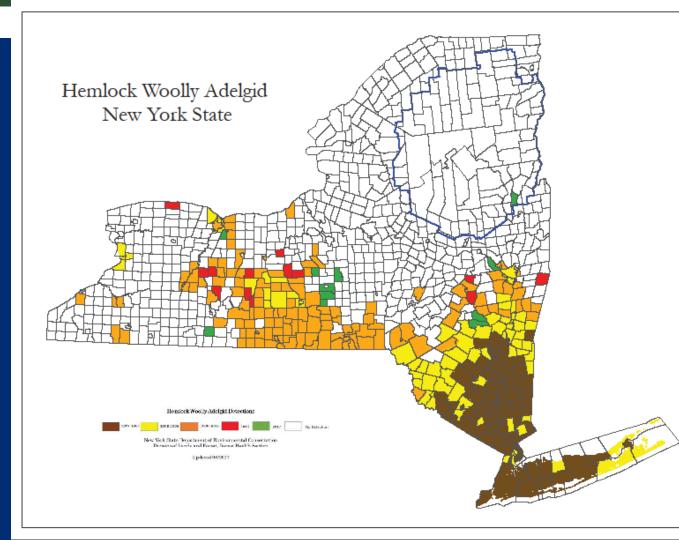


Hemlock distribution/ density in New York





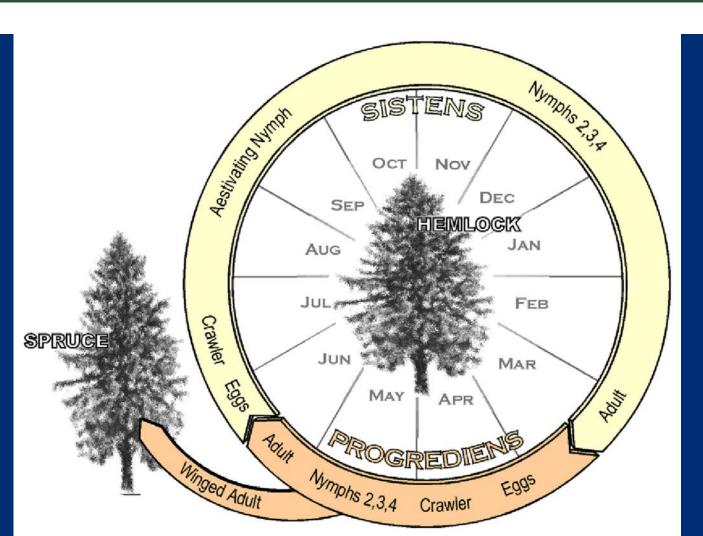
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HWA range (August 2017)



simplified life cycle

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"crawlers" hatching from egg masses March - June





Nymphs on new growth

Summer aestivation June-September





2nd-4th instar nyphs begin forming egg masses

September – February = ideal time to survey!

Easy to see, little to no risk of accidental transport





Very heavy, late stage infestation Slow growth to no growth

Buds die first as wound response stops movement of water & nutrients

Needle loss





Heavy infestation/ older, tattered egg mass remnants on older twigs May still be visible for 2-3 years, but does weather off



Looking for & Identifying HWA





Hemlock Woolly Adelgid, Photograph credit: Chris Evans, The University of Georgia, http://www.forestryimages.org/



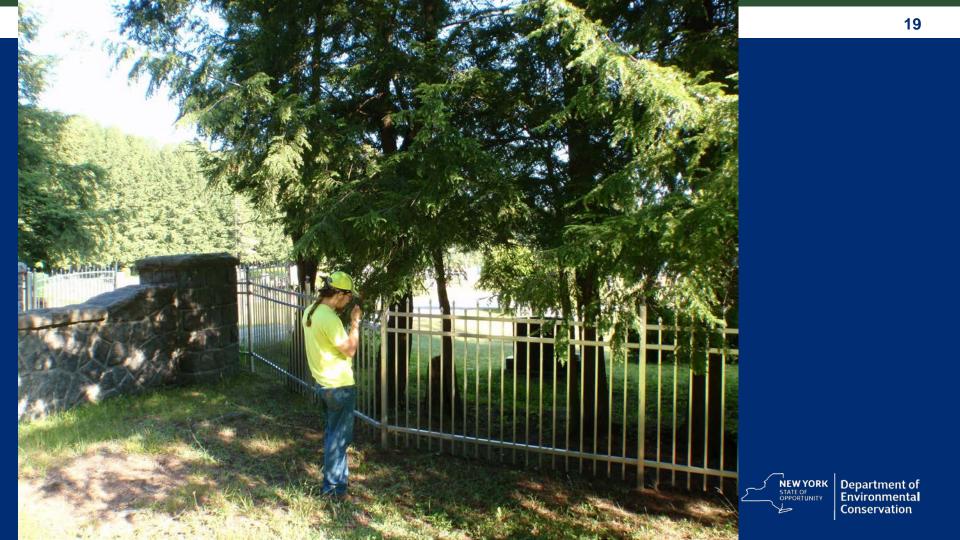








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Other things you will see on hemlock twigs



Spider webbing, egg sacs Various insects, pupal cases Cottonwood fluff Bird poop Raindrops, snow







Elongate hemlock scale





Spruce spider mites (feeding damage)

Circular hemlock scale(s)





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Photo by Michael Maniak

Hemlock borer





Fabrella needle blight





Hemlock twig rust



Sirrococcus shoot blight



Management of HWA

Biological control

- Long term (generations)
- Large (landscape) scale Chemical control
- Shorter term (months to years)
- Smaller scale



Predators can be divided into two basic groups:

Spring/Summer feeders: prey on progrediens eggs and nymphs as well as sistens eggs.

Sasajiscymnus, Scymnus, Leucopis



Winter/Spring feeders: prey on sistens nymphs through winter and progrediens eggs in spring

Laricobius



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Laricobius nigrinus

- Native to Pacific Northwest
- Good life cycle synchrony with HWA
- Released in 16 states on east coast since 2003.
- Establishment at many locations in the East.
 - Banner Elk, NC
 - Spread over 30 miles since first introductions in 2003
 - Over 12,000 collected in two weeks for release in 2013
 - Delaware Water Gap, Northern NJ and PA populations are growing since releases began in 2006





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Leucopis argenticollis & piniperda

- Diptera: Chamaemyiidae
- May be the most abundant predator of HWA in the Pacific NW
 - Released at 3 NY sites in 2015
 - Released at 10 NY sites in 2017
- Larvae feed on both Progrediens and Sistens eggs.
- Two or three generations a year?







SYSTEMIC INSECTICIDES

- Most effective and least costly treatment for HWA
- Treatment with systemic insecticides should be made in spring or fall when the soils are moist and hemlocks are actively growing



IMIDACLOPRID

<u>ADVANTAGES</u> - Can be effective for multiple years with just one application

<u>DRAWBACK</u> – Moves slowly through the tree, sometimes taking up to a year to reach the canopy. Older trees that may have compromised vascular systems or crown decline from HWA may not be able to move imidacloprid into the crown fast enough to survive



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Under the trade name - <u>Safari 20SG</u> is used as a basal bark spray

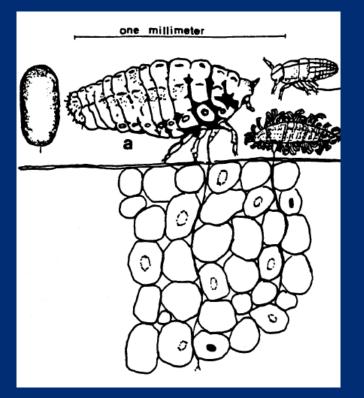
<u>ADVANTAGES</u> – Moves into the tree canopy much more rapidly than imidacloprid, usually within 2-3 weeks. Will rapidly reduce HWA so trees can recover

<u>DRAWBACK</u> – efficacy is limited to 1 or 2 years



Balsam Woolly Adelgid Adelges piceae





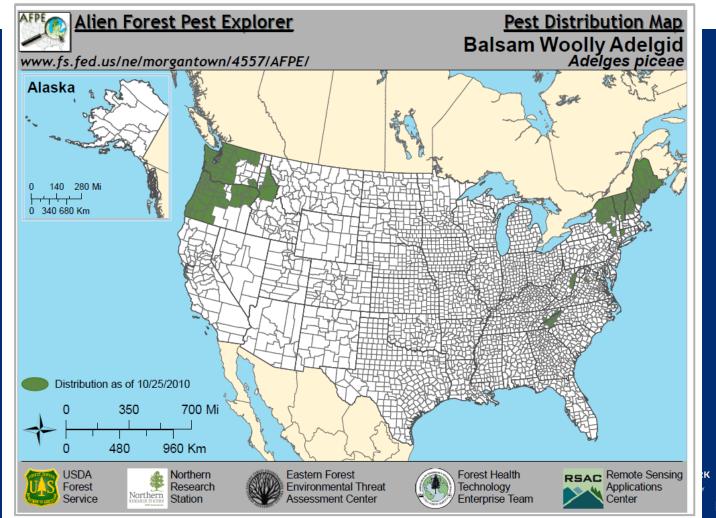


Balsam Woolly Adelgid Adelges piceae

- Yet another parthenogenic Adelgid!
- 1930's Introduced into eastern Canada
- Spread to Pacific Northwest (BC, WA, OR)
- Thought to be restricted to coastal areas because temperatures are warmer
- 1980's detected inland ADK's
- Now even on Mt. Washington
- Now distributed throughout NYS
- Slow decline restricted to crown on twigs
- Stem infestations kill









- Two basic infestations:
 - Twigs Gouting
 - Stems or main trunk of the tree
- Stem infestations can rapidly kill a tree
 - 3 to 10 years depending on tree vigor
- Twig infestations can linger for years
 - Apparent on trees in the understory
 - Can linger and disfigure crowns for many years – up to 30 years or more in some *Abies* species.

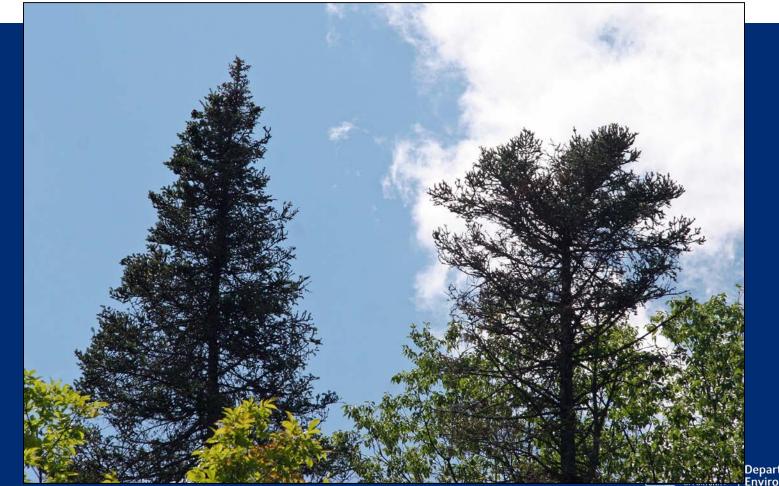




Persistent chronic crown decline



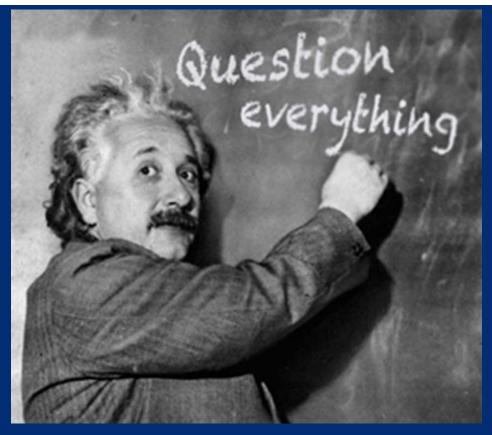
Balsam fir, Abies balsamea, in the Adirondack Mountains, NY



Thank You

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Username = iMap Username first three letters of first name & last name (in full) EXAMPLE: johsmith PASSWORD: "changeme2018"

*i*MapInvasives Mobile App Training

Help find small, manageable infestations

Meg Wilkinson

Invasive Species Database Program Coordinator

NY Natural Heritage Program





How Can iMap Help You?

- Local Level:
 - Search for invasive species & enter observations
 - View nearby areas What is approaching the region?
 - Record treatment/management efforts
 - Great communication tool for organizations, especially over time
- State/PRISM Level:
 - iMap sends nightly emails to PRISM Leaders, and state experts of new observations submitted to iMap – aware of high priority "finds"; assist with confirmation process
 - Refer to iMap data when prioritizing summer crew work

Objective Today

- Learn how to login to **online** iMap:
 - View data on the map
 - View data in a table
 - Search/Query for data
- Learn how to submit invasive species data to online iMap using a smartphone with the iMap Mobile app & view online





Partnerships for Regional Invasive Species Management





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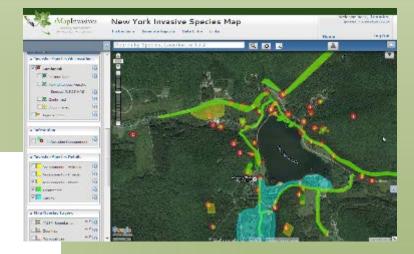


New York Natural Heritage Program

Our mission is to facilitate conservation of New York's biodiversity by providing comprehensive information and scientific expertise on rare species and natural ecosystems to resource managers and other conservation partners.

Partnership between NYS DEC and SUNY ESF

A collaborative GIS-based, online tool for invasive species management

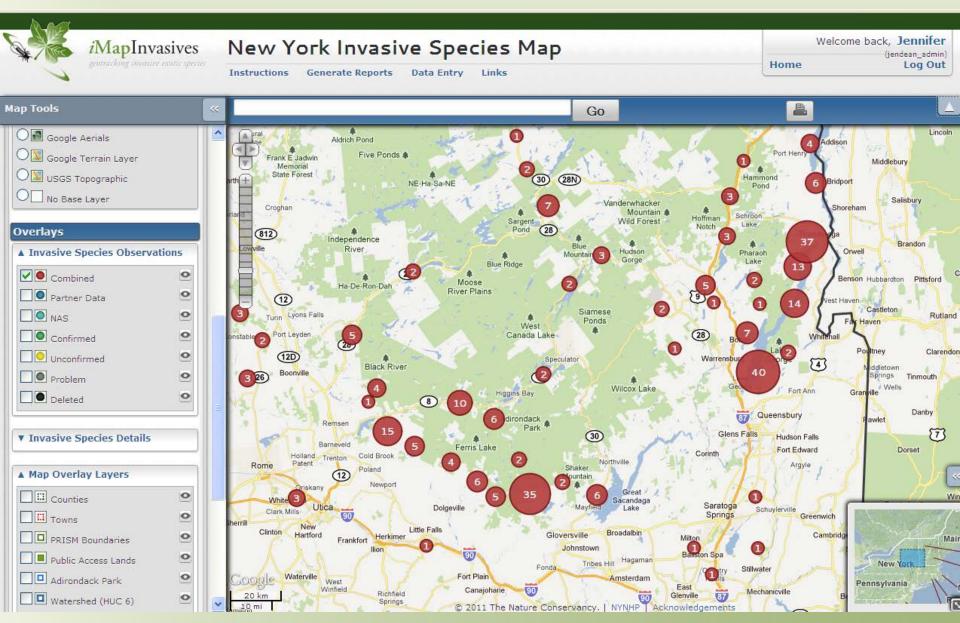


New York State Invasive Species Database

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Sharing information for strategic management

2010: Live in New York!



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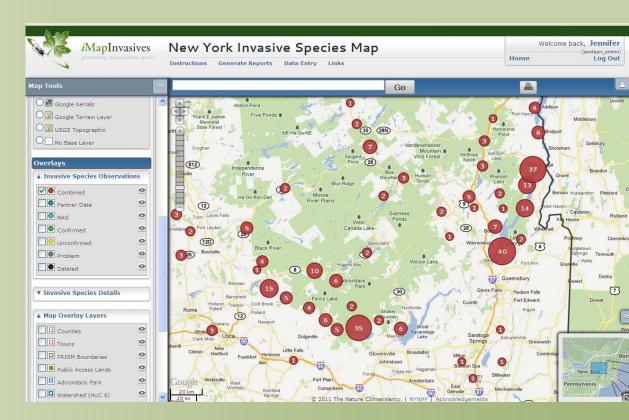
1) Bulk uploads from partner organizations

Local, State, and Federal Agencies

Land/ Water Managers

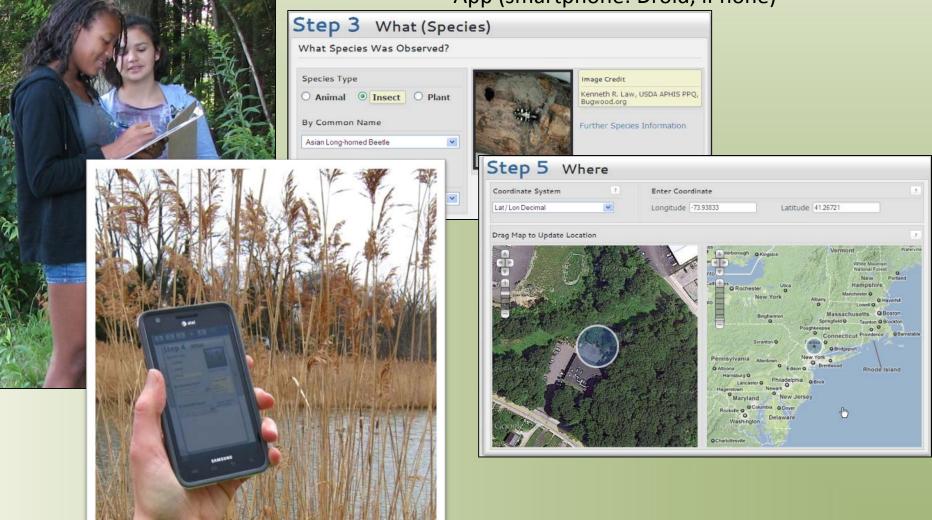
Researchers

Museum Data



Where does the data come from? 2) User data entry for observations

Online (computer) App (smartphone: Droid, iPhone)





Data from professionals and citizen scientists

OBSERVATIONS

Organization Bulk Uploads: 150,000 Online Data Entry: 36,000 Mobile App (since Fall 2015): 8,470 TOTAL: 194,000

Trained iMap Users >3,000 since 2010

Species type	Observations		
Aquatic Animals	14,393		
Aquatic Plants	23,527		
Insects	7,660		
Terrestrial Animals	472		
Terrestrial Plants	150,161		



Key Reports

Jumps & Anomalies



Managing a Geography

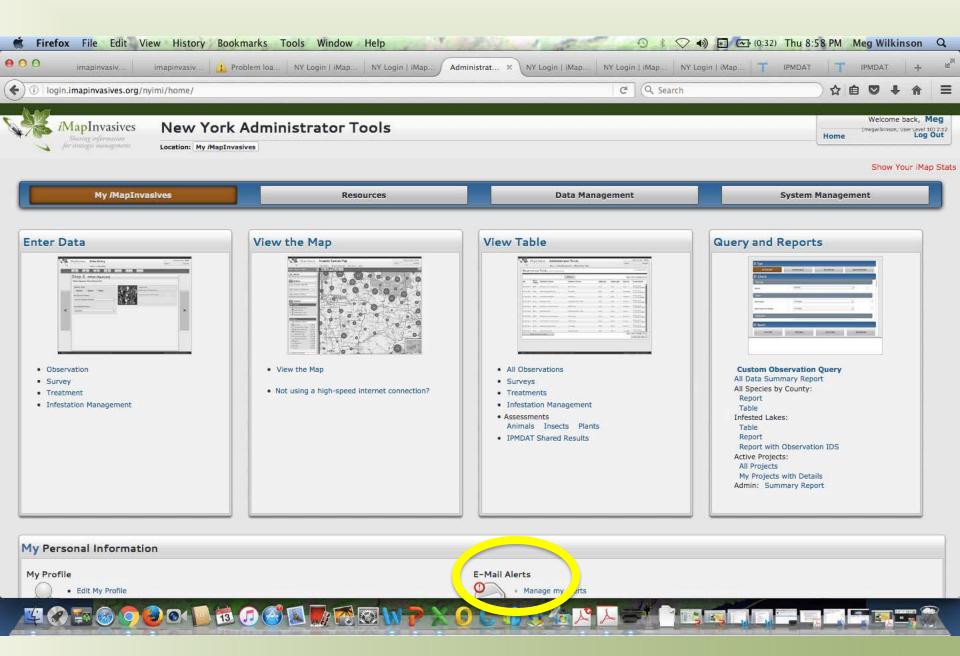
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- HWA Initiative
- NYS Parks
- Lake Associations
- Town/County staff

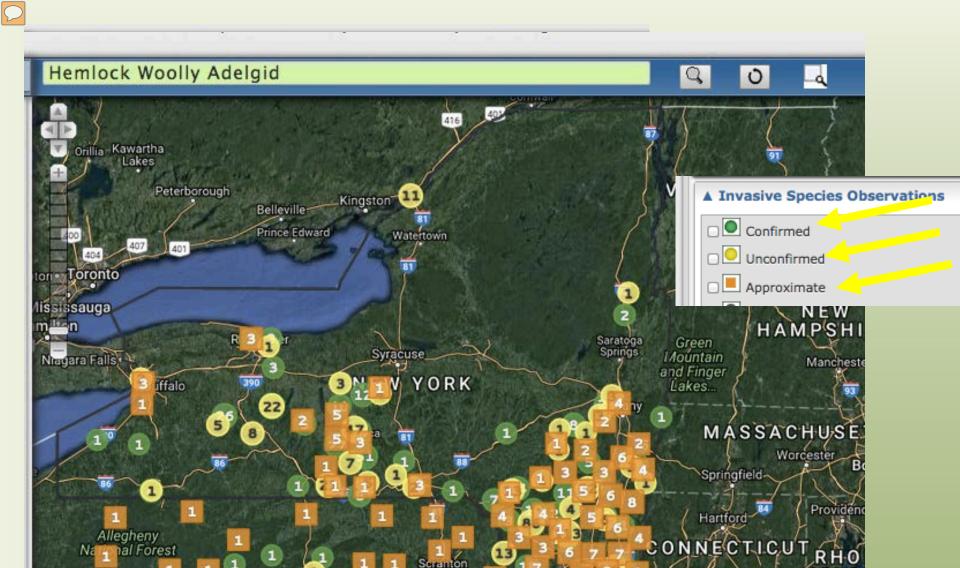
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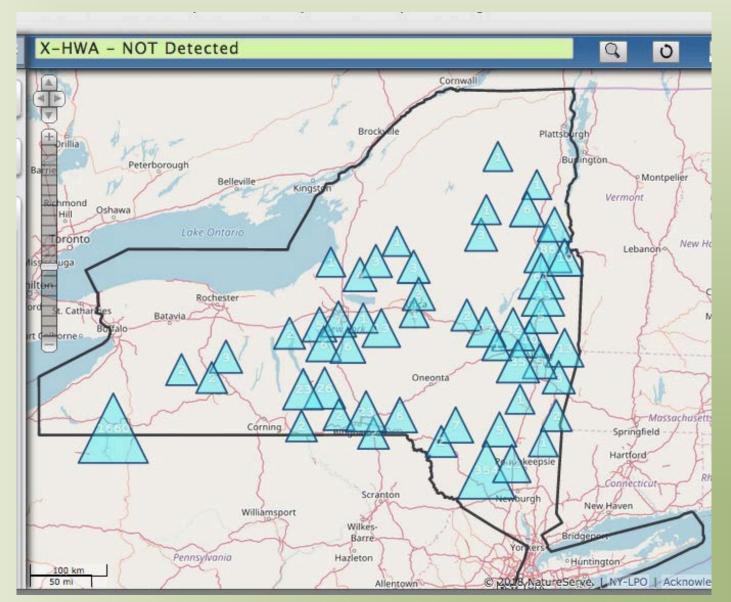
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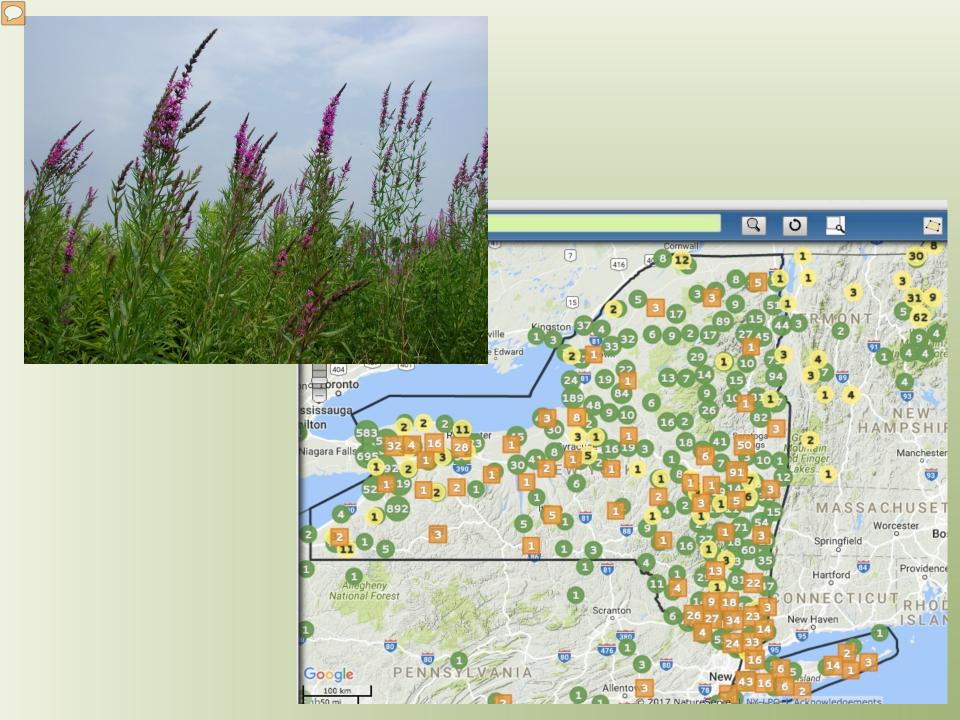
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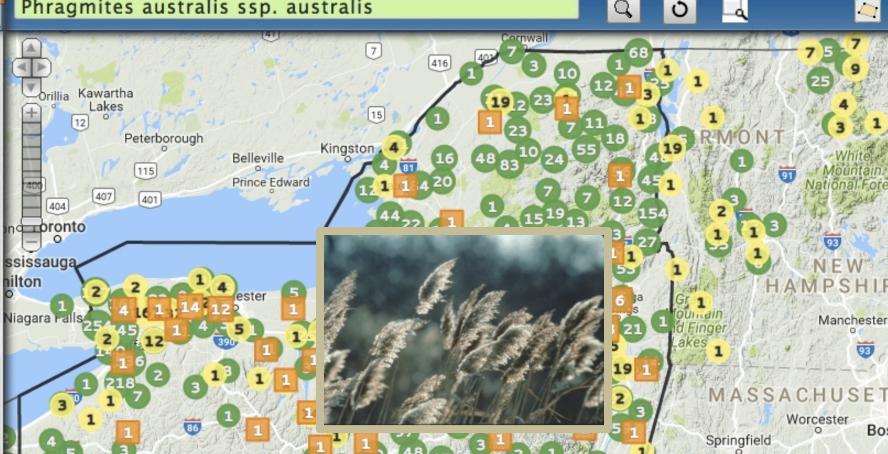
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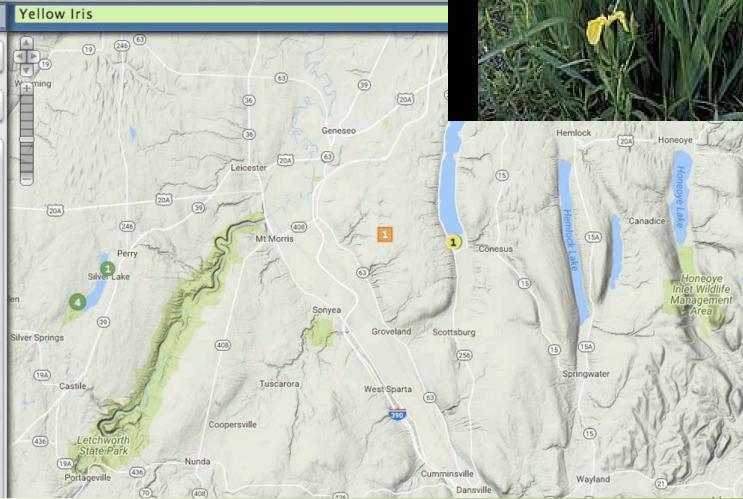
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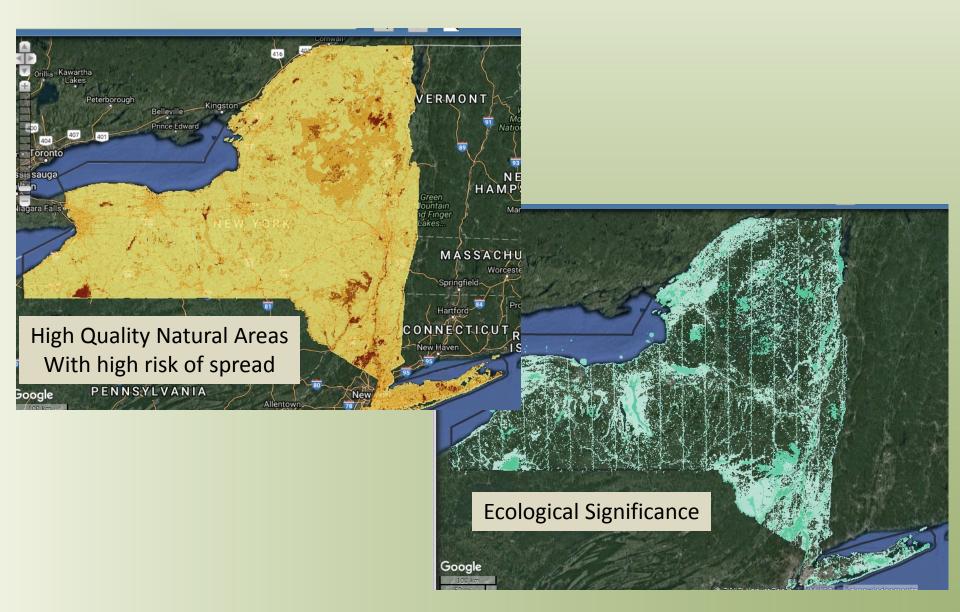




Where to Focus: Species Prioritization by PRISM

- Tier 1 not present
- Tier 2 might be able to eliminate it
- Tier 3 manage on local basis
- Tier 4 well-established

Spatial Prioritization: Where to focus?



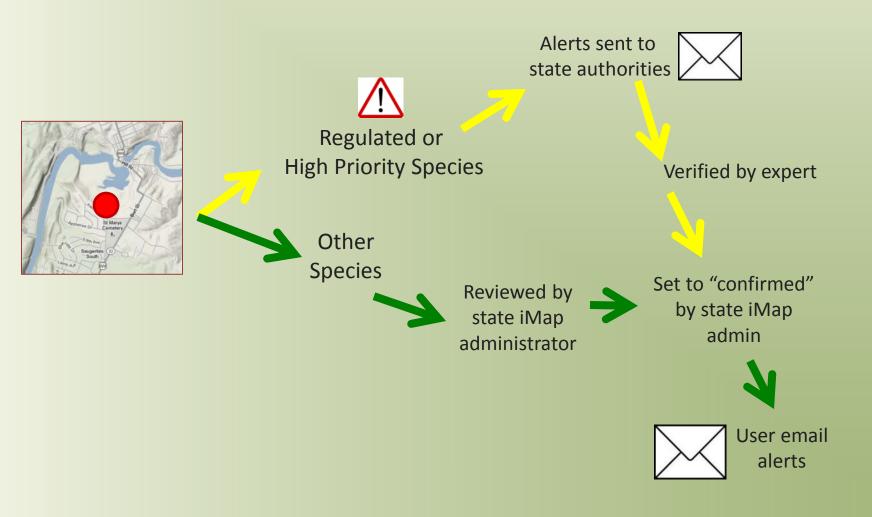


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Email Alerts

Communicating important findings to stakeholders





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Group data



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- Download data

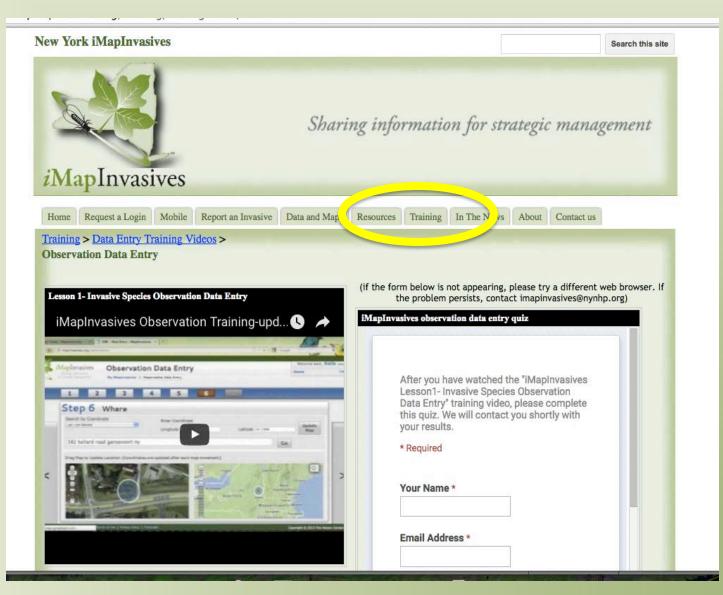




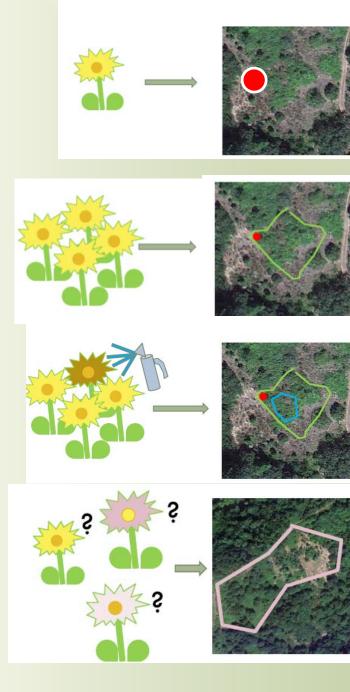




Enter data online







OBSERVATION – location of a specific species(location, date)

ASSESSMENT – detailed information about a specific observation

INFESTATION

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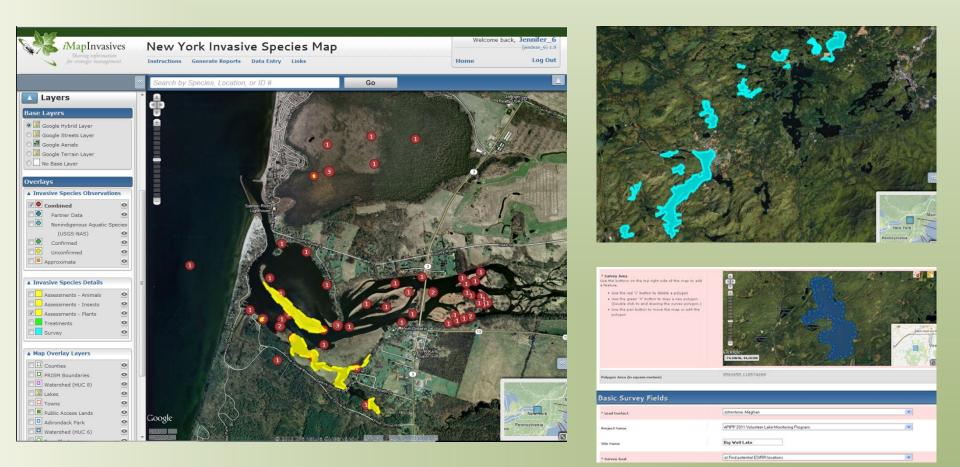
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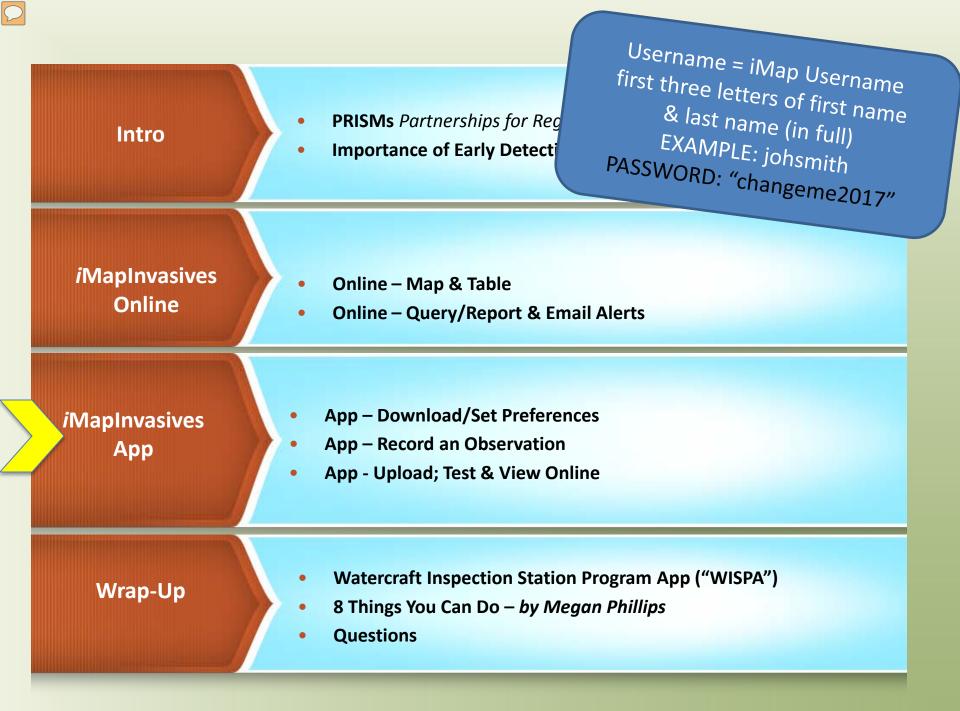
TREATMENT – control effort details

SURVEY – search for presence or absence of a species

Online: Managing advanced data Managing a Geography

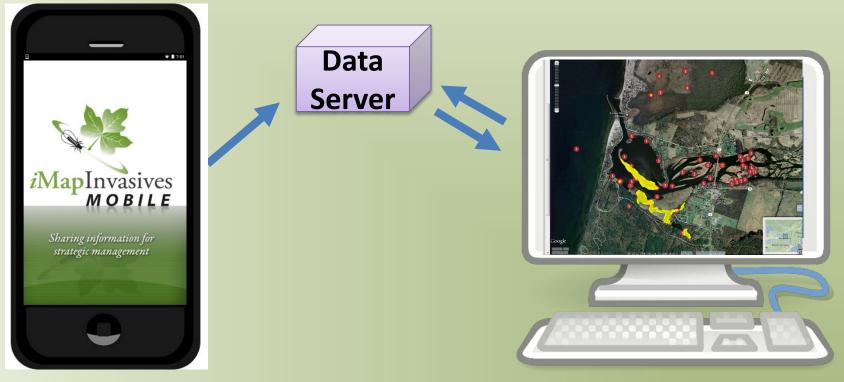
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The iMap Mobile app is a convenient way to collect new records for viewing and editing on the full online interface

(You will use the same iMapinvasives username and password for both)



iMapInvasives Mobile App

Collect observations using your phone GPS and camera. Upload to server on wi-fi.

iMapInvasives Online

Full browser-based mapping functionality to search the data, produce maps, and enter data, from new locations, to detailed treatments and surveys. Observation Data-entry in the field... without connectivity App - smartphone



Sharing information for strategic management

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Download iMapInvasives Mobile App Method 1: OR Method 2:

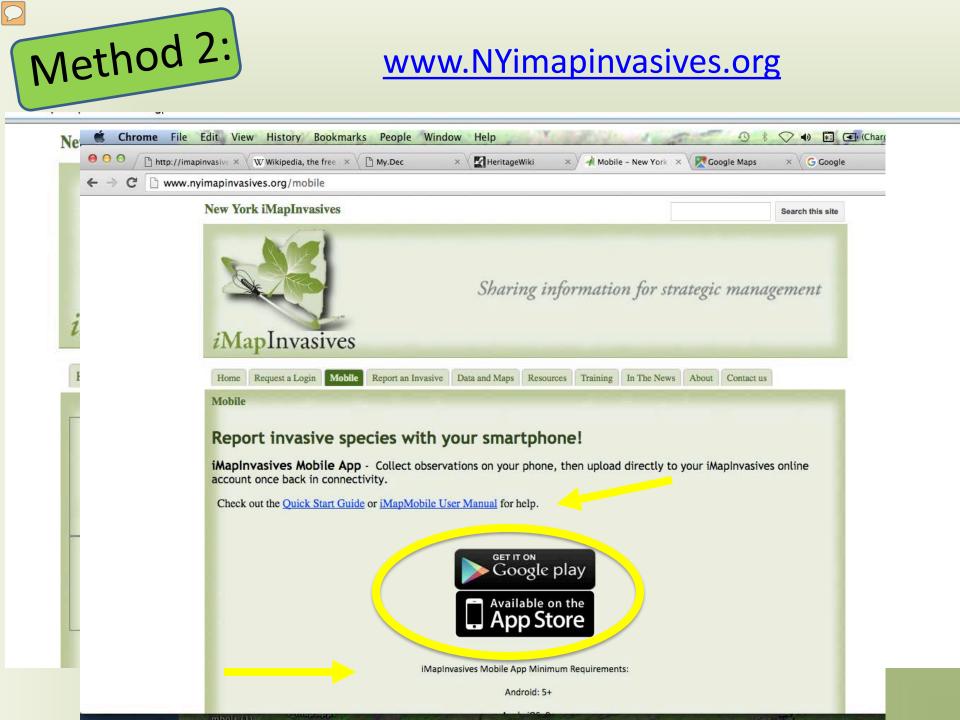
- Android: playstore
- iPhone: AppStore
- Download FREE

Search: "imapinvasives mobile"

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 "Mobile" tab
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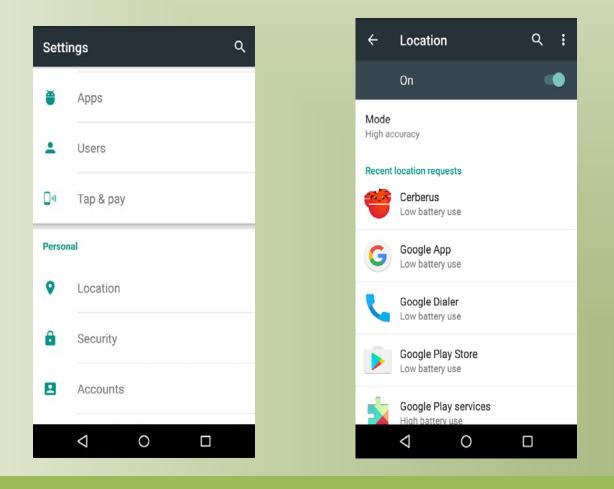


How to: Turn on Location Services (iPhone)

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How to: Turn on Location Services (Android)



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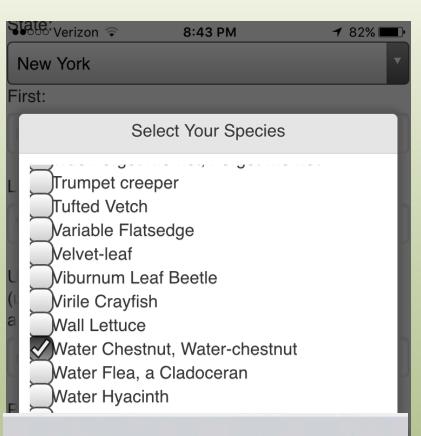
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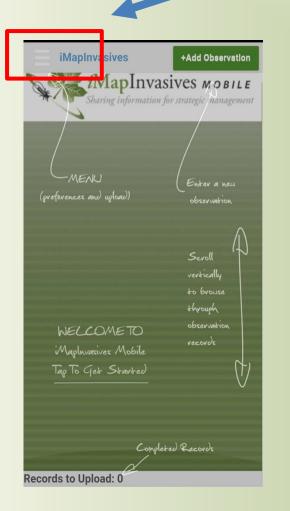
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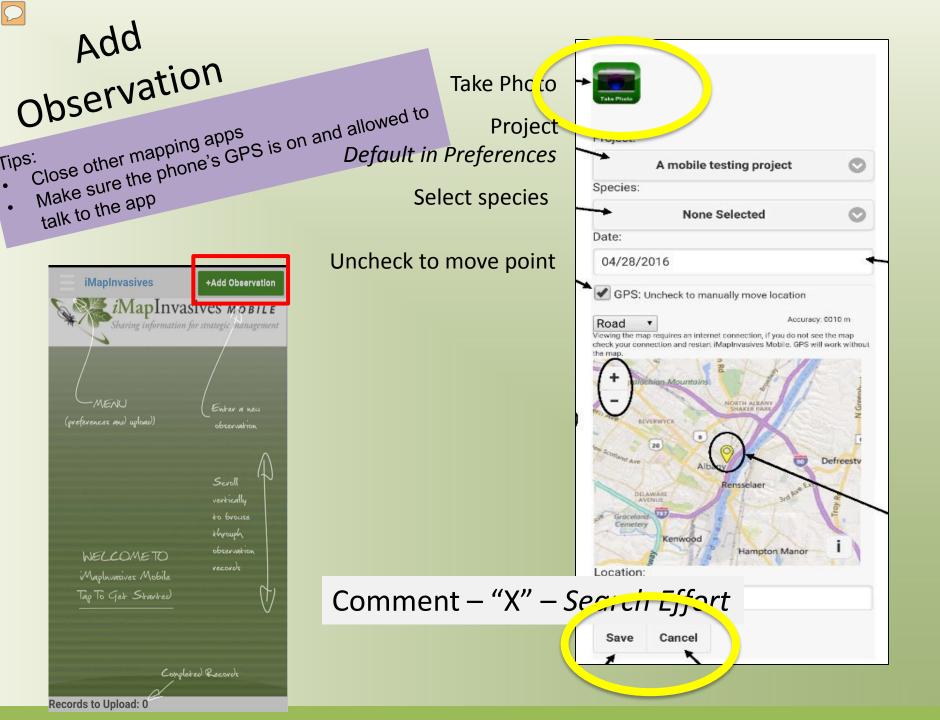
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Road Satellite

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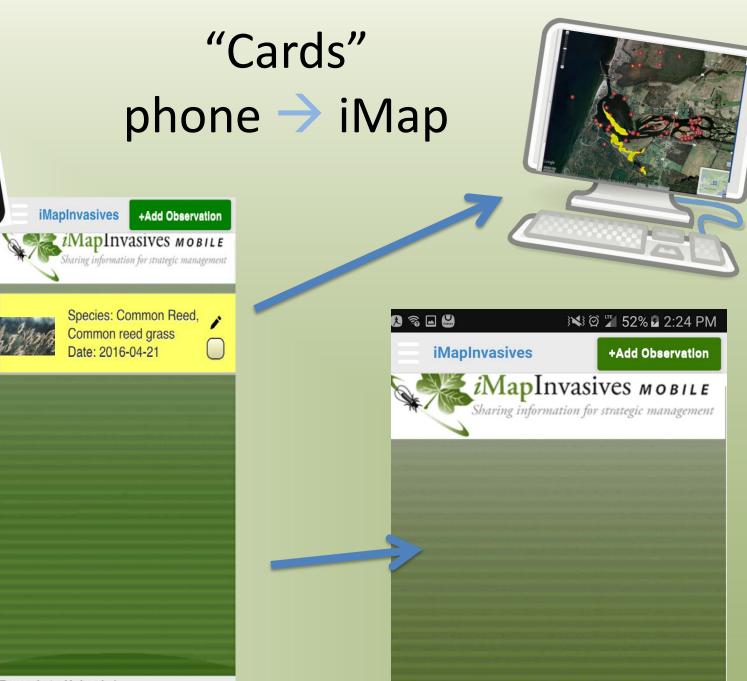
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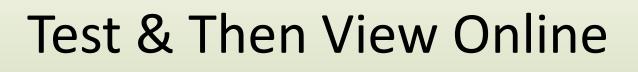
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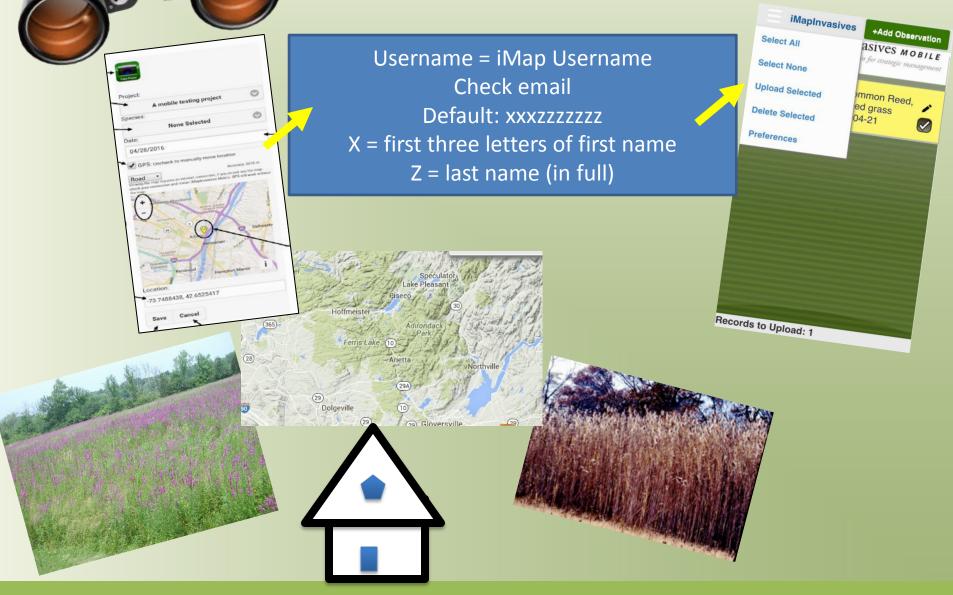
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iMapInvasives MOBILE





LIVE – Check Table











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New York Administrator Tools

Welcome back, Meg (megwilkinson, User Level 10) 2.07 Home

NY-415233U

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My iMapInvasives :: Observations :: ID: NY-415233U

Observation Information

Data Entry Person: catpedier Observer: Cathy Pedier Organization: Adirondack Mountain Club (ADK)

Project: Adirondack Backcountry Forest Pest Monitoring 2016

Dates Observed: Sept. 14, 2016

Species X-HWA - NOT Detected X-Adelges tsugae (NOT Detected) Status: Unconfirmed

Geographic Data County: Warren ID: NY-415233U

View Observation on Map

Create Assessment for this Observation

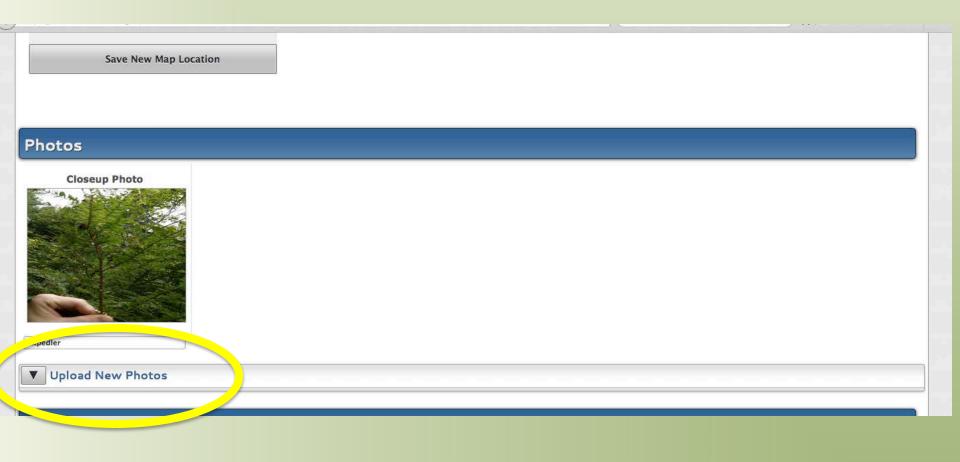


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43°38'42"N	73°38'59.3"W

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Online – Add Photos







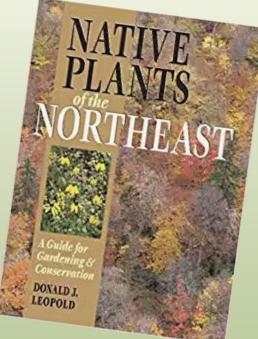




Things You Can Do

From Megan Phillips

- 1. Don't Move Firewood
- 2. Clean, Drain, Dry boat/kayak, etc
- 3. Know Before You Grow ("Plant Native")
- 4. Don't Let It Loose (exotic pets/fish)
- 5. Play, Clean, GO bike/4-wheel/hiking shoes
- 6. Don't take the (Invasive) Bait
- 7. Report to iMap
- 8. Keep Up With Your PRISM





READY to Search

- ✓ Know how to ID some invasive species
- App downloaded to smartphone
- ✓ Local observation point uploaded to iMap
- Checked local obs point online iMap (view Map & view Table)
- Checked online for known invasive species locations





Comments:

Search effort - # trees & # branches



Questions?

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Thank You!