

EASTERN LAKE ONTARIO INVASIVE SPECIES SYMPOSIUM



June 22nd, 2023

Tailwater Lodge, Altmar, NY

The Eastern Lake Ontario Invasive Species Symposium is hosted by the St. Lawrence Eastern Lake Ontario Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management, SLELO PRISM.

On June 22nd, you are invited to join us at the Tailwater Lodge in Altmar, NY for this free in-person event.

You will hear from our regional and state-wide partners and learn of invasive species management projects that align with our theme of, *Enhancing Biodiversity and Resilience Through Invasive Species Management, Restoration, and Innovation.*

Lunch will be provided.

Continuing education credits available.
Engaging presentations, exhibits and demonstrations!

SYMPOSIUM OVERVIEW

8:20-8:45 AM

Refreshments/Registration

Morning Session

8:50AM-11:50 AM

Theme: Enhancing Biodiversity and Resilience Through Invasive Species

Management & Restoration

11:50-12:50 PM

Lunch, exhibits & demonstrations

12:55-1:30PM

Lightning Round Session

Afternoon Session

1:32-4 PM

Theme: Innovation & Management Approaches

AGENDA

8:20- 8:45 AM- Registration/Refreshments

8:50-9:00 AM- Opening Remarks

MORNING SESSION

9:00-9:20 AM- Resilient and Connected Lands & Waters-
Rob Williams, SLELO PRISM Director

9:22-9:42 AM- Resilient Urban Forests-
Robert Smith, SLELO PRISM

9:44-10:04 AM- Climate Smart Forests-
Chris Zimmerman, TNC

10:06-10:26 AM-Climate Challenges to Invasive Species Management-
Eva Colberg, NYISRI/Cornell

10:28-10:48 AM-Riparian Corridor Restoration-
Brittney Rogers, SLELO PRISM

10:50-11:10 AM- Role of Native Plants in Shoreline Restoration-
Roy Widrig, NYSG

11:12-11:32 AM- Adirondack Native Vegetation Reestablishment Project-
Zack Simek-APIPP PRISM

MID-DAY SESSION

11:34-11:50 AM- Afternoon Announcements

11:50- 12:50 PM- Lunch & engagement with exhibits & eDNA mobile lab tour
lunch provided by The Nature Conservancy

12:55- 1:30 PM- 3-Minute Lightning Round Presentations

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:32-1:52 PM- Approaches to Protect Hemlock Forests-
Caroline Marschner, NYSHI

1:54-2:14 PM- 5- Year *Typha* Management Assessment in Oswego Peatland-
Eric Hellquist, SUNY Oswego

2:16-2:36 PM- Leveraging iMapInvasives Data to Evaluate Invasive Species Management Effectiveness-
Fate Syewoanguan, NYNHP/iMapInvasives

2:38-2:58 PM- Preparing for and Managing Spotted Lanternfly-
Brian Eshenaur, Cornell NYS IPM

3:00-3:20 PM- NYS AGM Invasive Species Management-
Thom Allgaier- NYS AGM

3:22-3:52 PM- Pesticide Use Requirements & Certification-
Don Nelson, NYS DEC Bureau of Pesticides Management

3:55-4:00 PM Closing Remarks

Lightning Round Presentations

This session will showcase three-minute presentations highlighting partner projects, initiatives, and collaborative opportunities.

- Pledge to Protect Initiative–Megan Pistolese Shaw, SLELO PRISM
- Watercraft Inspection Steward Program– Freddie Kartoz and Allison Curl, 2023 SLELO/TILT WISP
- Indian River Lakes Project WHIRL– Erin Ermine, IRLC
- NY Great Lakes Action Agenda– Emily Fell, NYS DEC/Cornell Water Resources Institute
- Study of Iconic Native and Invasive Florida Ant Species– Haley Depner, Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry
- Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Program– Thom Allgaier, NYS-AGM
- Managing Buckthorn to Restore the Sackets Harbor Battlefield– Maria Cipullo, NYS OPRHP
- Fort Drum Invasive Plant Survey– Greg Welter, NYNHP

Exhibits & Demonstration Showcase

Be sure to visit indoor and outdoor exhibits and demonstrations to be entered into a free sweepstakes for prizes donated by SLELO partners!

INDOOR EXHIBITS

- SLELO PRISM– Watercraft Inspection Steward Program & hands-on aquatic plant Identification
- SLELO PRISM– Take the Pledge to Protect and Riparian Restoration Initiatives Showcase
- Save the River & the River Keepers Program
- Indian River Lakes Conservancy
- NYS DEC/Cornell Water Resources Institute– Shoreline in a Pan Demonstration
- NYS OPRHP– Student Conservation Association Program
- Tug Hill Tomorrow Land Trust– Get Involved!
- New York Natural Heritage Program– iMapInvasives
- NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets– Invasive Species Information
- SUNY Oswego– Hands-on aquatic plants identification
- Surveying for Hemlock Woolly Adelgid– Poster by SLELO Volunteer, Lucas Russel
- Cornell University's NYS Integrated Pest Management Program–SLF, box tree moth, elm zigzag sawfly
- Lazy Dirt Flower Farm– Native Alternatives to Common Invasive Garden Plants

OUTDOOR DEMONSTRATION

- Self-guided tour of the SLELO PRISM/TNC mobile eDNA lab