

Reporting Results of Negative Surveys

What is a “Negative Survey?”

A Negative Survey documents a surveyed area that was evaluated for specific species and recording the species which were NOT found.

Why report a Negative Survey?

Without negative survey records, there is a degree of uncertainty of when the species actually spread to that area. Was this the first year that it spread to this area? Has it been there for years and no one was looking for it? By recording efforts of evaluating an area for specific species, and not finding the species, negative surveys help to establish a more accurate timeline of species' invasion.

How to report a Negative Survey?

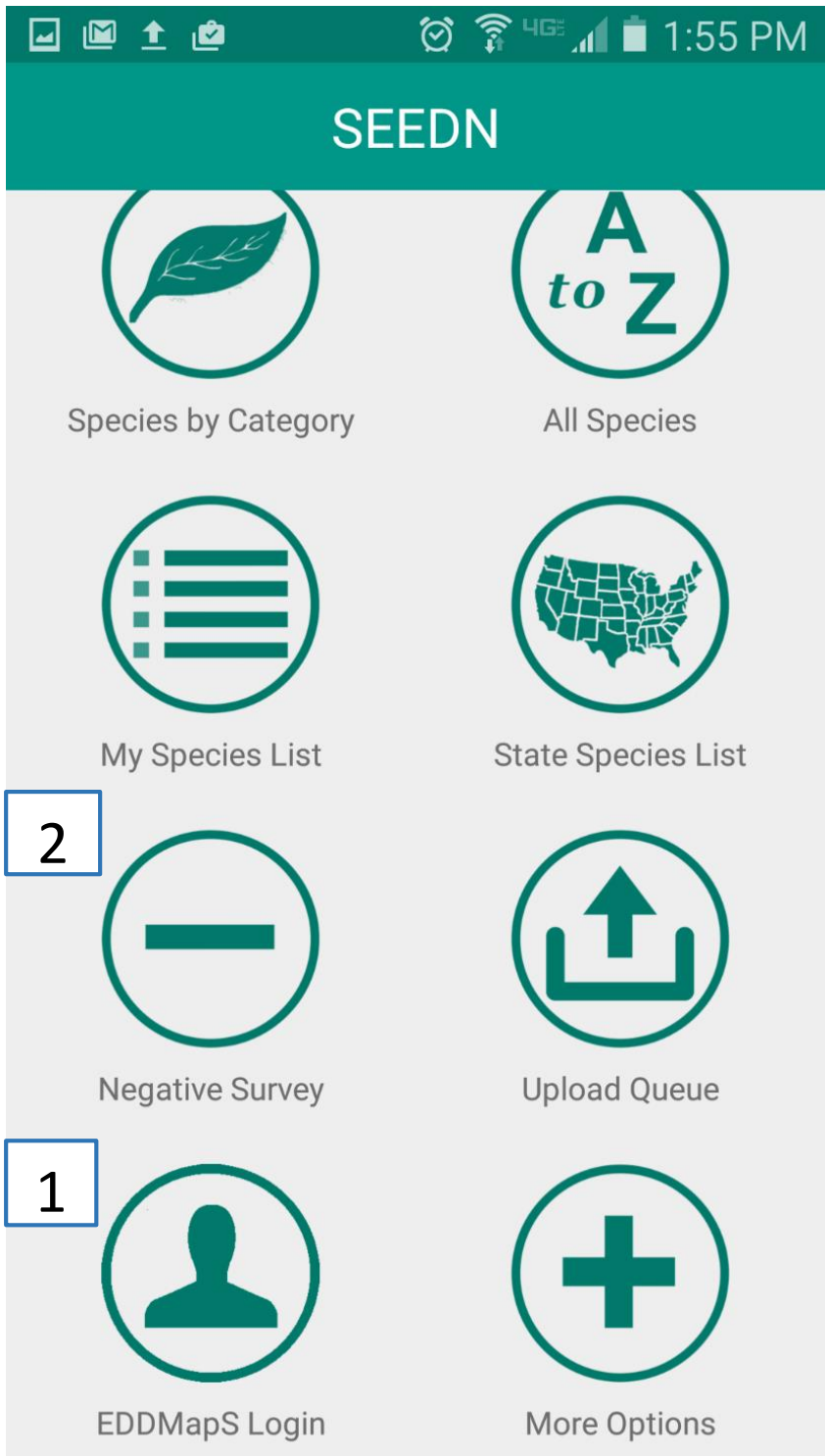
Negative surveys can be reported through the regionally-based invasive species reporting smartphone/tablet applications (<http://apps.bugwood.org/apps/>).

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If not already signed in,
Login to the App

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Tap "Negative Survey"



If date is incorrect,
tap to change



← Negative Survey

DATE & TIME **3**

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LIST OF SPECIES **4** EDIT

Cogongrass (*Imperata cylindrica*)
Johnsongrass (*Sorghum halepense*)
Kudzu (*Pueraria montana*)

TIME SPENT IN MINUTES

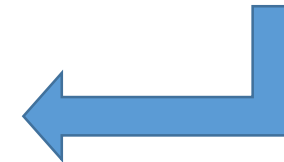
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AREA SURVEYED EDIT



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To add species to
Negative Survey,
tap edit



← Select species 7 DONE

Insects 5 ^

Africanized Honey Bee	<input type="checkbox"/>
Black Turpentine Beetle	<input type="checkbox"/>
Eastern Fivespined Ips	6 <input type="checkbox"/>
Pine shoot beetle	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sixspined Ips	<input type="checkbox"/>
Small Southern Pine Engraver	6 <input type="checkbox"/>
Southern Pine Beetle	<input type="checkbox"/>
Walnut Twig Beetle	<input type="checkbox"/>

Tap to hide entire categories;
useful if survey excluded entire
categories (Plants, Wildlife, etc.)

Tap checkboxes to add the
species that you did not find

7 Tap Done when
finished adding species

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Document time spent surveying; especially useful for recording volunteer hours

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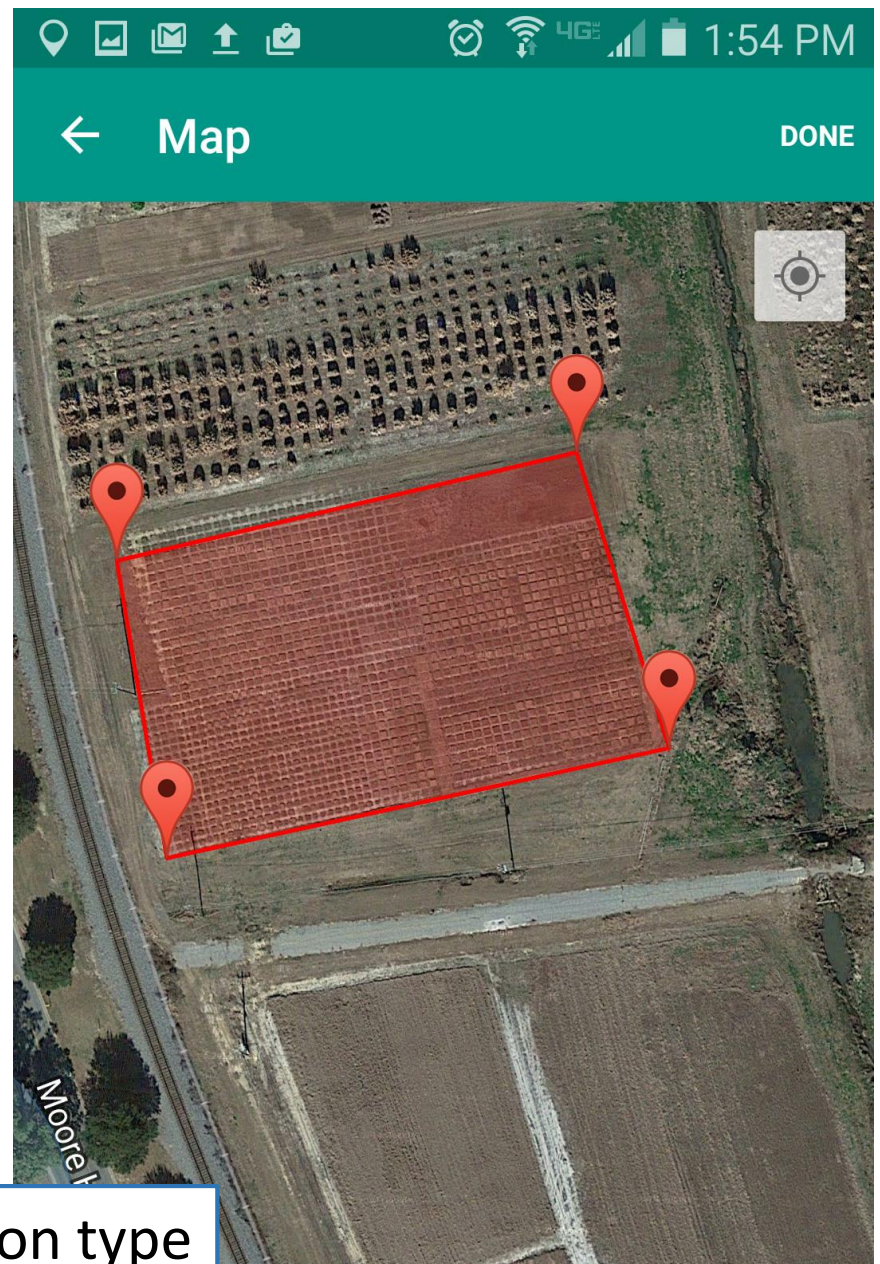
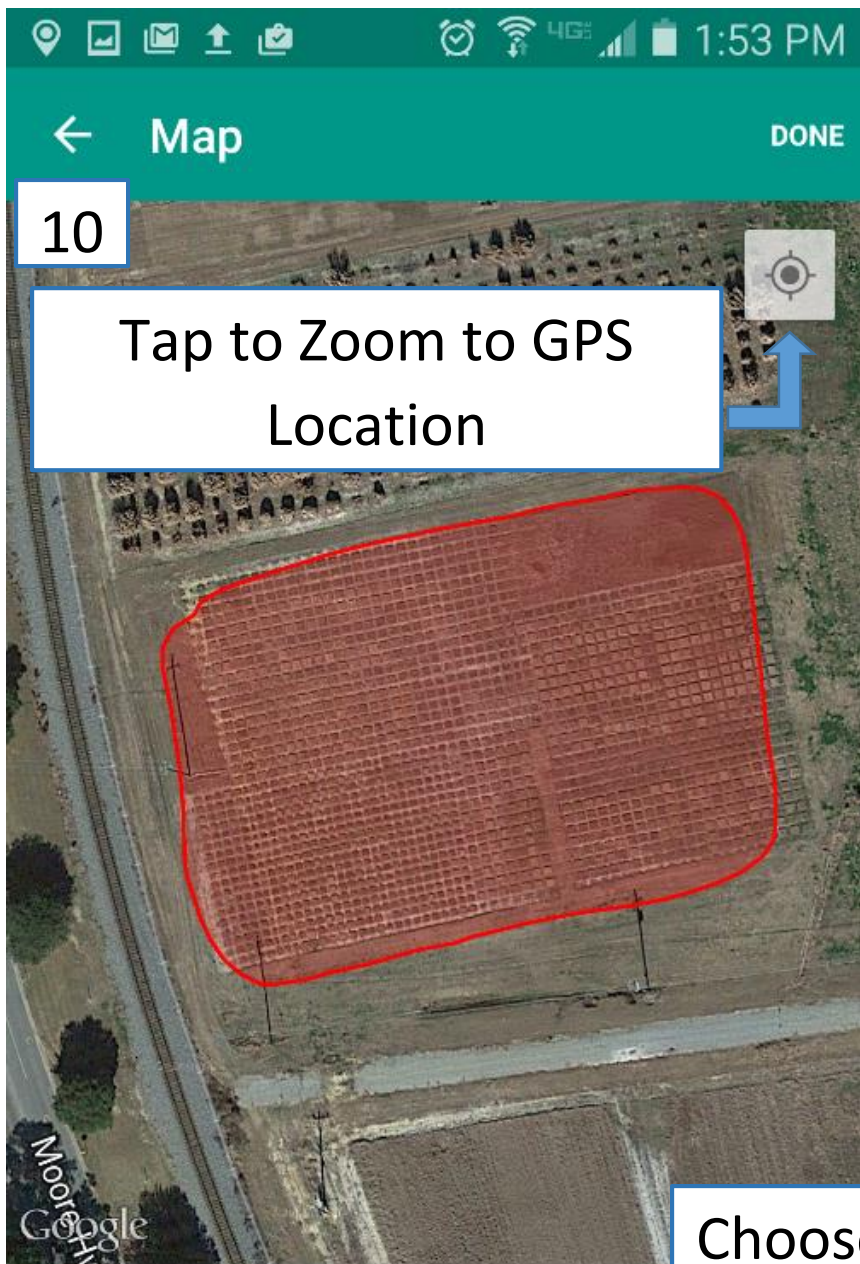
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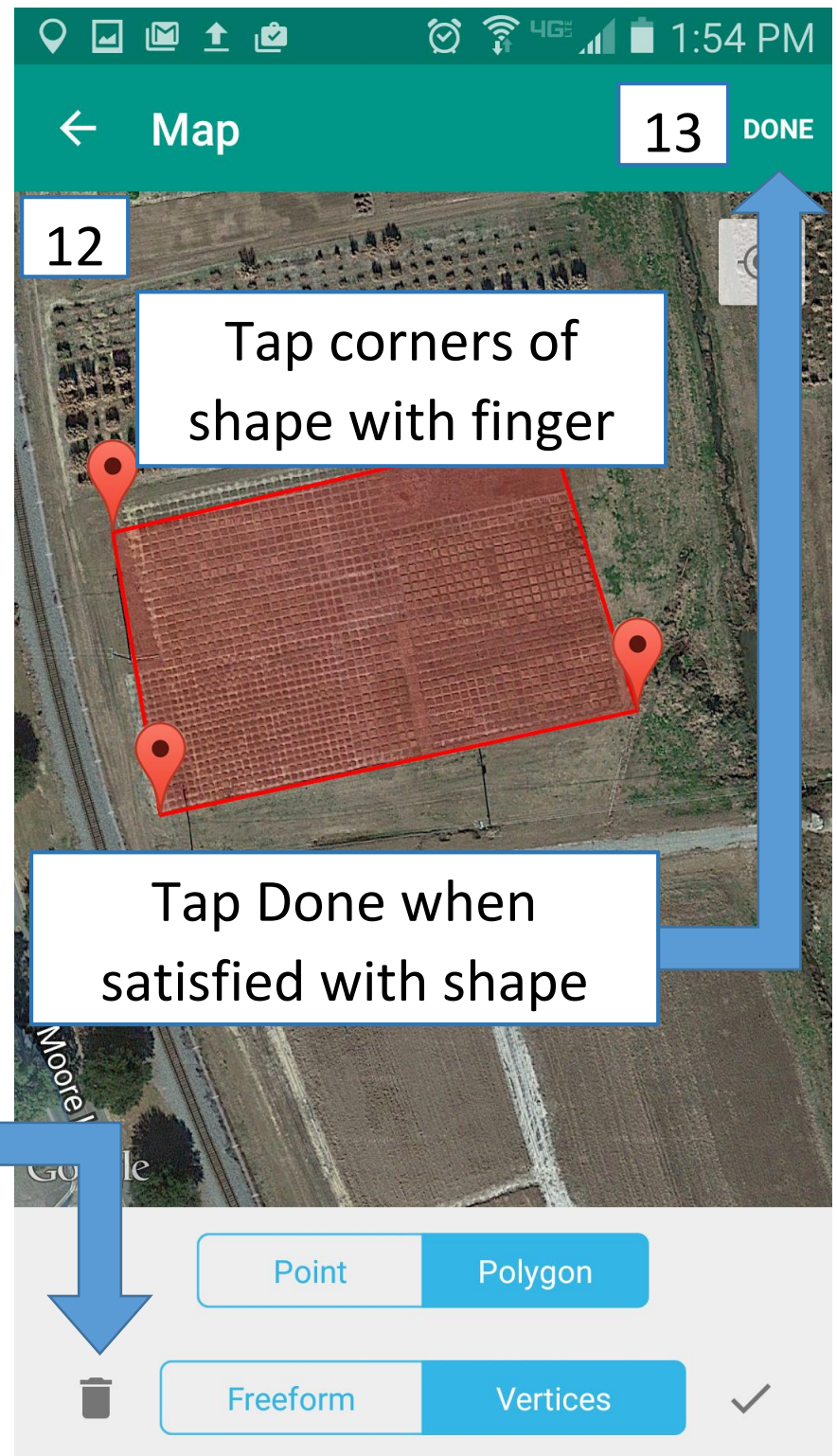
Any additional information

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Tap Edit to draw surveyed area





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Add relevant notes
about the survey



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Tap Save to save
the report to your
Upload Queue



