



Wabasha County Cooperative Weed Management Area

Utilizing Cost-Share for Landowners

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Brief History...

- Zumbro Delta Weed Group 2003 (informal/not funded)
 - Partnerships
 - Nature Conservancy Weaver Dunes
 - Wabasha SWCD
 - BWSR
 - MNDOT
 - ACOE
 - MDA
 - MNDNR
 - FWS
 - Wabasha County
- Zumbro Delta CWMA 2005-2008ish
- Wabasha SWCD 2008-forward (BWSR funded grant)

The numbers...since 2008

- 345.01 acres of invasive species removed
- 21 landowners participating
- 6 repeat landowners (on additional acreage)
- 12 invasives addressed
 - Buckthorn
 - Cow Vetch
 - Amur Maple
 - Rugosa Rose
 - Tartarian Honeysuckle
 - Leafy Spurge
 - Japanese Barberry
 - Japanese Knotweed
 - Cow Parsnip
 - Wild Parsnip
 - Garlic Mustard
 - Spotted Knapweed

Pros/Cons of Cost-Share

- Pros
 - Repeat “customers”
 - Cost assistance
 - Networking
 - Awareness
- Cons
 - Follow through/continuity
 - Non-targeted
 - Efficacy of treatments

Recommendations Going Forward...

- Reconvene partners
- Consistent follow through
- Integrated pest management
- Target areas
- Network, network, network
- Program exam – sharing amongst CWMAs