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PURPOSE

Continue building on previous conferences to improve local management and minimize the impacts of terrestrial and aquatic invasive species across the Upper Midwest and North America.

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GROWING LIKE WEEDS

267 Presentations
7 Concurrent sessions
6 Workshops
8 Field Trips
40 Posters
49 Exhibitors
30 Sponsors
169 Taxa
122 Terrestrial
47 Aquatic

+ 712+ Attendees

225 Presentations
6 Concurrent sessions
5 Workshops
8 Field Trips
36 Posters
44 Exhibitors
18 Sponsors
78 Taxa
42 Terrestrial
32 Aquatic

+ 651 Attendees

220 Presentations
6 Concurrent sessions
3 Workshops
6 Field Trips
24 Posters
34 Exhibitors
16 Sponsors
78 Taxa
45 Terrestrial
33 Aquatic

+ 632 Attendees
DIVERSE REPRESENTATION

32 US States including: Alaska and Hawaii = 37
5 Canadian Provinces & 4 Countries including:
Minsk, Belarus
Moscow, Russia
Delémont, Switzerland
Upper Midwest Representation
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- 150% more staff since last UMISC!
- New modes of communication
- Major new projects
- Come see us - we love to talk plants!
  - 3 presentations
  - Exhibit hall

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Our Mandate
professional development
networking
industry standards
Our Mission:

To support, promote, and empower invasive species prevention and management in North America.
Our Programs:

• Weed Free Forage and Gravel Standards
• Professional Development
• Mapping Standards
• Bio Control
• Legislative Efforts
• PlayCleanGo Promotion
• Annual Conference
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Monday 9:00am in Ballroom 1

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Samantha Simon
Invasive Species Coordinator, United States Department of Agriculture

*Invasive Species Collaboration – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Role*

Monday 9:00am to 11:30am in Ballroom 1

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Alicia Crall
Educator and Program Evaluator, National Ecological Observatory Network

Citizen Science: The Benefits and Challenges of Using Volunteers for Invasive Species Monitoring and Management

Monday 9:00am to 11:30am in Ballroom 1
Becky Cudmore
Regional Manager, Aquatic Invasive Species Program Fisheries and Oceans Canada/Pêches et Océans Canada

Using the Grass Carp Ecological Risk Assessment to Inform Management Actions in Canada

Monday 9:00am to 11:30am in Ballroom 1
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RECEPTION AND EXHIBIT HALL

WELCOME RECEPTION
❖ Located in the Ballroom starts at 5:00 pm tonight
❖ Complimentary hors d’oeuvres and a cash bar
❖ Poster Presentation

POSTERS and EXHIBITS
❖ Viewing Monday, October 15 through Wednesday, October 17
❖ Posters are located in Ballroom Lobby
❖ Exhibits are located in Ballroom 2 and 3

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Fieldtrip Participants will meet buses at the main entrance of the hotel

Box Lunches will be available for field trip participants in Lobby of Main Ballroom at 11:30

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