



2015 OIPC Annual General Meeting and Invasive Plant Symposium – October 13-14, 2015
 Royal Botanical Gardens – 680 Plains Road West, Burlington ON, L7T 4H4

Agenda

Tuesday October 13, 2015 – Field Tours

1:00 – 3:00	Field Tours:
1:00 – 3:00	The Role of Botanical Gardens in the Early Detection of Invasive Plants (Herbarium and Garden Tour); Royal Botanical Gardens
1:00 – 4:00	Managing Invasive Plants at Royal Botanical Gardens-<i>Phragmites</i>, Reed Manna Grass and Invasive Shrubs); Royal Botanical Gardens
5:30 – 6:30	OIPC Board Meeting – OIPC members welcome to attend; Beaver and Bulldog (2020 Lakeshore Road, Burlington)
6:30 – 8:30	Evening Social at the Beaver and Bulldog, Burlington

Wednesday October 14, 2015 – Symposium

8:00 – 9:00	Registration and Refreshments
9:00 – 9:15	Welcome – Tys Theysmeyer, Royal Botanical Gardens
9:15 – 9:30	OIPC Year in Review – Iola Price, Ontario Invasive Plant Council President
Session 1: Research and Policy – Moderated by Iola Price, Ontario Invasive Plant Council President	
9:30 – 9:45	An Update of the Ontario Invasive Species Act – Jeremy Downe, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
9:45 – 10:00	A Review of the Herbicide Registration Process in Canada – Michael Irvine, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
10:00 – 10:15	Terrestrial Invasive Plant Management Using Pesticides– Applying for a Letter of Opinion for the Natural Resources Exception to the Cosmetic Pesticides Ban – Francine MacDonald, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
10:15 – 10:30	Working Towards an Invasive Plant Strategy for Royal Botanical Garden’s Natural Lands – Lindsay Barr, Royal Botanical Gardens
10:30 – 10:45	Panel Discussion and Questions from the Audience
10:45 – 11:00	Networking Break and Refreshments

Session 2: Education and Outreach – Moderated by Dawn Sucee, Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters	
11:00 – 11:15	Result of Community Action; Lambton Shores <i>Phragmites</i> Community Group – Nancy Vidler, Lambton Shores <i>Phragmites</i> Community Group
11:15 – 11:30	Early Detection and Rapid Response (EDRR) Network Ontario – Taylor Wright, Invasive Species Centre
11:30 – 11:45	Effective Early Detection & Rapid Response Protocols – Rob Williams, St. Lawrence Eastern Lake Ontario Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management
11:45 – 12:00	The Role of Education and Outreach in Combatting Invasive Plant Species in High Park, Toronto – Nicole Grgic, University of Toronto
12:00 – 12:15	PlantWise: Then & Now – Danielle Toperczer, Invasive Species Council of British Columbia
12:15 – 12:30	Panel Discussion and Questions from the Audience
12:30 – 1:30	Lunch (provided)
1:30 – 2:30	Ontario Invasive Plant Council Annual General Meeting
Session 3: Monitoring and Control – Moderated by Diana Shermet, Central Lake Ontario Conservation	
2:30 – 2:45	Controlling <i>Phragmites</i> in Ontario: Challenges, Successes, Next Steps – Janice Gilbert, Nature Conservancy of Canada and Ontario <i>Phragmites</i> Working Group
2:45 – 3:00	A Review of Some Invasive Plant Biological Control Programs – W.D. (Bill) McIlveen
3:00 – 3:15	Arsenal Powerline Herbicide for Control of <i>Phragmites</i> in Non-Aquatic Environments – Scott Hodgins, BASF The Chemical Company
3:15 – 3:30	The Silent Invader: The Spread of <i>Magnolia kobus</i> within the Royal Botanical Gardens' Nature Sanctuaries – Katherine Moesker, Royal Botanical Gardens
3:30 – 3:45	Panel Discussion and Questions from the Audience
3:45 – 4:00	Closing Remarks – Invasive Species and Urban Natural Areas – Dr. David A. Galbraith, Royal Botanical Gardens

NEW Addition (Optional) 4:10-5:00 pm

Join Eleanor McMahon, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry and MPP for Burlington, as she addresses members on the proposed Bill 37, Invasive Species Act and takes your questions on this important legislation.