



*****Long Island National Wildlife Refuge Complex
Invasive Plant Workdays*****

- Dates:** Wednesday, June 24, 2015 & Wednesday, July 1, 2015
Location: Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge
340 Smith Road, Shirley, NY 11967
Project: Black Swallow-wort Control
Seeking volunteers to help remove Black swallow-wort (*Cynanchum louiseae*), an invasive vine, at Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge. It grows vigorously and forms dense patches that cover and shade out native vegetation and alters habitat structure for wildlife. Volunteers will assist with cutting plants and bagging them for disposal to help prevent further spreading.
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- Dates:** Friday June 26, 2015 & Thursday, July 2, 2015
Location: Sayville Unit of Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge
Cherry Ave., West Sayville, NY 11796 (near dog park and soccer fields)
Project: Spotted Knapweed Control
Seeking volunteers to help remove Spotted Knapweed (*Centaurea stoebe*) and other invasive plants, at Sayville, a sub-unit of Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge. Spotted knapweed was first detected within the grasslands of Sayville a few years ago. Volunteers will assist with hand pulling plants and bagging them for disposal to help prevent further spreading.
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- Dates:** Wednesday, July 8, 2015
Location: Target Rock National Wildlife Refuge
12 Target Rock Road, Huntington (Lloyd Harbor), NY 11743
Project: Wineberry Control
Seeking volunteers to help remove Wineberry (*Rubus phoenicolasius*), and other invasive plants at Target Rock National Wildlife Refuge. Wineberry forms dense shady patches that displace native plants and cause significant changes to habitat structure. Volunteers will assist in cutting, hand pulling and bagging plants for disposal to help prevent further spreading.
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- Provided:** Snacks, drinking water, work gloves, insect repellent and other work equipment.
- Bring/Wear:** Light colored clothing (white or khaki recommended), long pants, long sleeve shirt, sturdy close-toed shoes, long socks, hat, sunscreen, sunglasses and lunch/water bottle.
Please be aware that ticks are present on the Refuges
- Contact:** Please contact the wildlife biologist at monica_williams@fws.gov or 631.286.0485, ext. 2154 for more information and to register if you are interested in assisting on a workday.

*****Registration is required at least two days prior to the event to have a volunteer count for work planning, equipment, etc.; volunteers under age 18 must have parental permission to participate*****

*****Rain dates will be scheduled as necessary if poor weather conditions such as heavy rain or thunderstorms are predicted*****