



VOLUNTEER WORKDAYS – PLEASE Come Join Us!

The Long Island National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) Complex and the Friends of Wertheim NWR are working together to help manage invasive species. Non-native, invasive plants are a major challenge on national wildlife refuges where they displace native species and degrade wildlife habitat. Volunteers can help with cutting, hand pulling and bagging plants for disposal to help manage them and prevent further spreading.

Location: WERTHEIM National Wildlife Refuge
340 Smith Road, Shirley, NY 11967
Dates: July 8, August 17
Target Species: Black Swallow-wort, Japanese Stiltgrass, Common Mullein, Wineberry
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: SAYVILLE Unit of Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge
Cherry Avenue, West Sayville, NY 11796 (near Dog Park and Soccer Fields)
Dates: July 27, August 12
Target Species: Spotted Knapweed, Common Mullein
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: TARGET ROCK National Wildlife Refuge
12 Target Rock Road, Huntington, NY 11743
Target Species: Black Swallow-wort, Mile-a-Minute, Common Mullein, Wineberry
Dates: July 13, August 4
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

For more information and to register for a workday, please contact our Invasive Species Intern at Tori_Bryceson@fws.gov or (631) 848-7148.

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 prevalent.

***Registration is required at least two days prior to each workday to get a volunteer count for work planning, equipment, etc. **Volunteers must complete a volunteer services agreement; volunteers under age 18 must have parental permission to participate. ***Rain dates will be scheduled as necessary, in the event of heavy rain or thunderstorms.**