Local Invasive Plant Species

**Japanese Barberry** *Berberis Thunbergii*

[](http://plants.usda.gov/java/largeImage?imageID=beth_002_ahp.tif)

**Identification:**

* Dense spiny shrub.
* Brown, spiny branches with a single spine at each shoot node.
* Green & blue leaves.
* Matures during late summer and fall and persist through the winter.
* Distinguished by the flowers being produced in umbels. An umbel is an inflorescence which consists of a number of short flower stalks which spread from a common point.

**Eradication:**

Apply herbicides directly to the plant or use flames to torch.

**Oriental Bittersweet** *Celastrus Orbiculatus*

[](http://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=CEOR7)

**Identification:**

* Thin spindly vines.
* Has silver to reddish brown bark.
* Vines wrap around tree trunks.
* Small green flowers that produces red seeds.

**Eradication:**

Spray with Triclopyr or Glyphosate directly on the plant or plant site annually.

**Black Swallow Wort** *Cynanchum Louiseae*

[](http://www.google.com/url?sa=i&source=images&cd=&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=0CAgQjRw&url=http://www.discoverlife.org/mp/20q?search%3DCynanchum%2Blouiseae&ei=TF4IVdXhCc2MyAT524CQDA&psig=AFQjCNESBTS28evPTT6aWmFTjN7mwex-4A&ust=1426698188266990)

**Identification:**

* Vine containing oval shaped leaves with a pointy tip.
* Star shaped flowers colored dark purple to black.

**Eradication:**

Direct spraying of herbicides on the plant after flowering has occurred.

**Russian Olive** *Elaeagnus Angustifolia*

[](http://plants.usda.gov/java/largeImage?imageID=elan_003_ahp.jpg)

**Identification:**

* Thorny shrub or small tree with silver to rust colored scales.
* Long smooth Leaves.
* Yellow four-lobed flowers.

**Eradication:**

Spraying of herbicides directly on the plant or the cutting of the stump.

**Autumn Olive** *Elaeagnus Umbellata*



**Identification:**

* Small shrub with pale yellow flowers and pink to red berries.

**Eradication:**

Spray herbicides directly on the plant or pull the plant directly out of the ground.

**Multi-floral Rose** *Rosa Multiflora*

**[](https://www.google.com/url?sa=i&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&frm=1&source=images&cd=&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=0CAcQjRxqFQoTCNrZyueJg8cCFUdBkgod_u4I1A&url=https://d-e-science11.wikispaces.com/The%2BEffects%2Bof%2BMultiflora%2BRose%2Bon%2Bits%2BSurroundings&ei=KTa6VZqhHseCyQT-3aOgDQ&bvm=bv.99028883,d.aWw&psig=AFQjCNHLSQY0e_ZuDTJuAXOZAFtvWxjLTw&ust=1438353264098337)**

**Identification:**

* Multi-stemmed shrub, thorns, and pointy tipped leaves.
* Fragrant white to pink flowers.

**Eradication:**

Spray herbicides directly on the plant or perform regularly scheduled cuttings.

**Japanese Honeysuckle** *Lonicera Japonica*

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**Identification:**

* Twining vine with oval leaves.
* White to yellow double tongued flowers.
* Vanilla scented petals.

**Eradication:**

Cut or burn the plant repeatedly for several weeks.

**Garlic Mustard** *Alliaria Petiolata*

[](http://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=ALPE4)

**Identification:**

* Tall green plant. When the leaves are crushed it smells of garlic.
* Round shaped leaves.
* White cross shaped flowers.

**Eradication:**

Simply pull, cut or burn the plant.

**Nepalese Browntop** **(aka Japanese Stilt Grass)** *Microstegium Vimineum*

[](http://plants.usda.gov/java/largeImage?imageID=mivi_005_ahp.tif)

**Identification:**

* Tall thin plant with long leaves containing a silver stripe down the center.

**Eradication:**

Spray herbicides directly on the plant either before or after emersion.

**Japanese Knotweed** *Fallopia Japonica*

**[](http://www.google.com/url?sa=i&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&frm=1&source=images&cd=&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=0CAcQjRxqFQoTCIj-rJeeg8cCFcZ_kgod5SgF9w&url=http://www.co.stevens.wa.us/weedboard/other%20weeds/htm%20pages/japanese%20knotweed.htm&ei=hku6VYijF8b_yQTl0ZS4Dw&bvm=bv.99028883,d.aWw&psig=AFQjCNFSYwX4YGFOmcl83f0AfKPScyVw8Q&ust=1438358753422568)**

**Identification:**

* Tall hollow stems similar to bamboo.
* Large oval leaves.
* Small cream to white colored flowers.

**Eradication:**

Cut the plant down to its roots and apply herbicides to the stumps.