



**Jackson-Lenawee-Washtenaw
Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area**

An invasive species is one that is not native to the area and causes harm to the environment, economy, or human health. People can accidentally spread invasive species through recreation, travel, shipping etc... There are some simple steps you can take to prevent their spread to new areas!

HOW TO REDUCE THE SPREAD OF INVASIVE SPECIES!

- Inspect your gear, trailers, shoes and clothing and remove any seeds, plant matter and small organisms
- Drain the bilge, livewell and ballast tank from your boat
- Brush off any burrs or seeds from your pet's fur after walks
- Do not empty fish tanks or release live bait into rivers or streams
- If travelling, check luggage for any insects, animals and/or plants
- Buy firewood where you will be burning it

For more information, please contact the JLW CISMA coordinator, Dr. Shikha Singh, at (517) 395 - 2089 or via email at shikha.singh@macd.org.

Invasive species shown on the front (from left to right):

Top row: Rusty crayfish, Bythotrephes, and Parrot feather

Middle row: Japanese knotweed, Japanese stiltgrass, Purple loosestrife, and Oriental bittersweet

Bottom row: Mute swan, Gypsy moth, and Heath snail



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