

Ramsey County Cooperative Weed Management area
25 February 2008
Member Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Carol Gernes - Maplewood, Mary Lee – AHATS, Nancy Duncan – NPS/MNRRRA, Tom Peterson – Ramsey Conservation Dist., Chuck Fiedler – Ramsey Co. PW, John Moriarty – Ramsey Co. Parks, Katy Chayka – volunteer, Simba Blood – RWMWD, Dana Larson- Ramsey – HB Fuller, Monica Chandler – MN Dept. of Ag, Paul Erdmann – Natural Shores Tech.

Grant funding

The BWSR grant was not funded. No metro counties received BWSR funds.

The NPS grant was funded for \$15,000. The money will be used to hire an intern, who will be housed with the Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District. The intern will continue the public outreach and educational efforts on early detection species. The Intern will also help plan a public workshop and a bug picking day.

Monica Chandler, the Dept of Ag's new Early Detection Terrestrial Coordinator, showed us the new Early Detection and Distribution Mapping System. She will provide the URL once it is operational. She also brought a copy of the new Forest Service [Guide to Nonnative Invasive Plants Inventoried in the North by Forest Inventory and Analysis](#). A limited supply has been ordered to distribute at the next CWMA meeting. Individual copies can be ordered or viewed online at <http://www.nrs.fs.fed.us/pubs/34183>.

Laura Van Riper was recently hired as the DNR Invasive species coordinator

The next meeting will be sometime in June.