Rappahannock Park Invasive Control Plan

Summary draft

NOTES:

* *Include Department of Forestry plan written by Kyle Dingus. June 2018*
* *Schedule monthly park workdays and publicize via ORMN and community*
* *Prioritize target areas to maximize effort and park use/ enjoyment*

PRIORITIES:

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| **High Priority Throughout**  Oriental Bittersweet  Japanese Honeysuckle  Autumn Olive  Multiflora Rose  Ailanthus (Tree of Heaven)  English Ivy  Burning Bush  Mimosa Tree | **Targeted Control**  Chinese Lespedeza  Wineberry  Garlic Mustard  Stiltgrass  Climbing Euonymous (Winter Creeper)  Bradford Pear  Norway Maple  Bird Cherry  Japanese Barberry  Japanese Beautyberry |
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RAPPAHANNOCK PARK WORK ACTION PLAN:

***See attached plat at bottom of document for Area delineations.***

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| **Before work begins:** | Public outreach:   * meet with adjacent landowners to coordinate * update survey and clearly mark property lines * publicize in the general community |
| **Open Park Area** | * selectively remove Ailanthus, Bradford Pear, Autumn Olive, and Mimosa Trees scattered around open park area * spray English Ivy This can be done Spring – Fall * treat Honeysuckle and Garlic Mustard in the winter (pulling, herbicide) |
| **Area A and B** | * herbicide treatment in the border edge to eradicate Multiflora Rose, Ailanthus and Autumn Olive * save as many native trees as possible * (potential project for ORMN volunteers) |
| **Area C** | * coordinate with Riparian Buffer Project: Ensure that non-native invasives are removed and only native replacements are planted (e.g., Black Willow) |
| **Area D** | * coordinate with Disc Golf Course Project: Ensure that clearing removes invasives while saving native trees and mid story (Example – approximately 100 feet of dense Ailanthus infestation along the western edge of the forest growth) |
| **Area E** | * coordinate with Pollinator Project in the power-line cut: Will require herbicide of current growth and selective replanting with native grasses and forbs |

See Log and Schedule for documentation on work to date and prospective plans.

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