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NORTHEASTERN WEED SCIENCE SOCIETY

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Dear Stakeholders,

With great pleasure, we announce the second Northeastern Weed Science Society (NEWSS) Noxious & Invasive Vegetation Management Short Course (NIVM) to be held on the week of September 21st, 2009 near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

This course has evolved to meet the demand and need for training and instruction of professionals involved in the administration or implementation of invasive plant management in the Northeastern United States. This course is designed for public and private land managers (parks, conservancies, preserves, forests, private parcels and farms) from Maine to North Carolina who desire a better understanding of non-cropland weed management. A huge success in 2008, the course has expanded to include even more topics. This year, pre-registrants can select from a choice of topics they most want to see included in the week long event. Other topics will cover principles of vegetation management, early detection and rapid response training as well as in-depth instruction on herbicide properties, biological, mechanical and chemical tools of weed control and hands on weed identification each day. Classroom, laboratory and field exercises will be utilized and the program is designed to encourage interaction between students and instructors. This year's course will also offer different session workshops for novice and advance applicators.

Weed management professionals affiliated with NEWSS instruct and staff the course. This event is a not-for-profit activity and is sponsored in part by a grant from the U.S. Forest Service. To cover anticipated expenses and course training materials the course tuition will be \$400.00 for a 4.0 day terrestrial course and \$150.00 for a 1.0 day aquatic course or a discounted \$500.00 for both courses. Students will need to cover travel, lodging and some meal expenses. The course is limited to the first 75 pre-registered applicants for the terrestrial portion of the course and the first 75 pre-registered applicants for the one day aquatic.

The announcement flyer and pre-registration documents are now posted on the [NEWSS Website](#). We appreciate your assistance in disseminating this important and exciting information to potential registrants.

Sincerely,
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