

Invasives Species Workshop at the Crane Brook Conservation Area

Sunday June 3, 2018

Town Garage, New Road entrance

10:00 – 11:30 Workshop

11:30-12:00 BYOB Lunch

12:00-2:00 Japanese Knotweed Smothering

“Join the Underhill Conservation Commission for a walk and invasive plant management project with Ethan Tapper, Chittenden County Forester, and Elizabeth Spinney, Vermont’s Invasive Pest Coordinator at the Crane Brook Conservation Area. Meet at 10:00 at the end of New Road with shoes and clothes appropriate for walking in all conditions for a couple of hours. In the morning, we will walk the CBCA and talk about the impact of invasive plants and pests on the forest, and the health and history of this natural area, owned by the Town of Underhill. Around midday we will return to New Road for a picnic lunch. In the afternoon we will work to control a patch of Japanese knotweed, an invasive exotic pest which is devastating our riparian and wetland areas in Vermont, and threatens the sensitive wildlife habitat around Crane Brook, using a “smothering” technique. For this part of the day, please bring work gloves and shovels. The event will wrap up no later than 2:00 PM.”