



Think Locally, Act Neighborly



FLORIDA INVASIVE SPECIES PARTNERSHIP (FISP)
Invasive exotic species know no boundaries!
 If landowners and land managers in Florida wish to achieve long-term success, it is critical to:

- Reach out and collaborate with all stake holders, including private landowners.
- Focus on prevention as well as treatment.

THE INCENTIVE PROGRAM MATRIX
Never a "one size fits all"!
 Many agencies and organizations who work with private landowners know this is true. Therefore, it is advantageous to provide multiple options which include:

- Flexible funding
- Training opportunities
- Technical assistance
- Incentives according to landowner needs.

COOPERATIVE WEED MANGEMENT AREAS
Partnering across the landscape!

- ✓ Expand efforts across the landscape, rather than just to political or property boundaries.
- ✓ Form a partnership of federal, state, and local government agencies, tribes, individuals and various interested groups that manage noxious weeds or invasive plants in a defined area.
- ✓ Address the following concerns:
 - Prevention
 - Education/Awareness
 - Early Detection & Rapid Response
 - Monitoring
 - Integrated Pest Management



WHO BENEFITS?

- Agency field personnel
- Public land managers
- Private landowners



FISP GOALS:

- ✓ Increase effectiveness and decrease costs by working together.
- ✓ Provide tools to develop a unified approach and bridge the gap between landowners.
- ✓ Encourage development and implementation of new and innovative approaches.

FISP OBJECTIVES:

- ✓ Develop Incentive Program Matrix of existing incentive programs that could target the problem on public and private lands.
- ✓ Outreach
 - Establish Matrix on an interactive website
 - Promote partnership efforts, such as Cooperative Weed Management Areas (CWMA), to encourage collaborative efforts on a statewide, regional and local level.
 - Provide central "clearinghouse" for CWMAs and innovative approaches.

How?
 Provide financial and technical assistance opportunities via an interactive database which currently houses information on the following programs:

FEDERAL:
 Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (USDA-NRCS)
 Environmental Quality Incentive Program (USDA-NRCS)
 Wetland Reserve Program (USDA-NRCS)
 Conservation Reserve Program (USDA-FSA)
 Partners for Fish and Wildlife (USFWS)
 Private Stewardship Grant Program (USFWS)
 Coastal Program (USFWS)
 NOAA restoration center community-based (NOAA)

STATE:
 Landowner Assistance Program (FFWCC)
 FFWCC upland invasive exotic plant management (FFWCC)
 Forest Land Enhancement Program (DOF)
 Southern Pine Beetle Prevention Program (DOF)

LOCAL/COUNTY:
Bradford County: Bradford County Invasive Plant Control Initiative
Miami-Dade County: Environmentally Endangered lands covenant
Palm Beach County: Invasive vine strike force
 Australian Pine/Melaleuca Removal Program,
 Invasive Vegetation Removal Cost Share Program,
Sarasota County: Neighborhood Matching Grant Program

OTHERS:
 Green Thumb Certified (TNC)
 Project Greensweep—FL Keys (TNC)
 Central Lygodium Strategy (TNC)

