

Coastal Invasive Plant Committee 3rd ANNUAL FORUM February 27, 2008 (Wednesday) Beban Social Centre, Nanaimo B.C. 9:00am - 4:30pm

OVERVIEW

The Coastal Invasive Plant Committee (CIPC) is a non-profit society representing over 500 private and public sector stakeholders from throughout Vancouver I sland and the surrounding coastal communities. The purpose of the society is to achieve effective regional coordination of invasive plant management by promoting collaboration and cooperation across jurisdictions.

PLEASE JOIN US to:

- Share ideas & network with invasive plant stakeholders
- Learn more about the current state of invasive plants in the region
- Showcase your organization's accomplishments
- Contribute input for the 2008 CI PC Action Plan
- Attend the CIPC Annual General Meeting
- Participate in the election of 2008 CI PC Board of Directors
- Contribute questions and solutions for panel discussion an invasive grasses in BC
- Represent the interests of your perspective group in helping to identify regional invasive plant priorities for 2008

AGENDA

NOTE: Detailed agenda to follow.

Keynote Speaker - North West Invasive Plant Council: Regional Invasive Plant Strategy - Single Agency Approach

- Progress Report: Current state of invasive plants in the region
- ✤ 2007 accomplishments
- ✤ Annual General Meeting
- Coffee Meeting in Stakeholder Groups
- Board of Directors Elections
- Regional Priority Setting Perspective Breakout Groups
- I mpacts & Solutions to I nvasive Grasses in Coastal BC Presentation & Panel Discussion

Guest Speakers

- 1. The Northwest Invasive Plant Council:
 - Perspectives on implementing a Regional Invasive Plant Strategy
 Single Agency Approach
- 2. Geoff Carrow, Gulf Islands National Park
 - New Invasive Plant Strategy for the Gulf I slands National Park
- 3. Becky Brown, Invasive Plant Coordinator-Ministry of Agriculture & Lands:
 - Update on the BC Inter-ministry Invasive Plant Committee (what's going on at the Provincial level)
- 4. Ross Archibald, Ministry of Environment
 Social Marketing in outreach & education
- 5. Jeff Hallworth, Invasive Plant Specialist-Ministry of Forests & Range:
 - Multi-agency Integrated Pest Management Plan & Invasive Plant Management Tool
- 6. Ernie Sellentin Consultant Sellentin's Habitat Restoration & IP Consulting Ltd.
 - Best Management practices for knapweeds, hawkweeds and yellow flag iris

EARLY-BIRD REGISTRATION:

There is an early-bird registration discount of \$35, which includes lunch and refreshments. Please see the attached Registration Form.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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LOCATION Beban Social Centre "The Lounge" 2300 Bowen Road, Nanaimo, B.C. (250) 756-5202

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