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# **Upcoming Events**

#### **Roundtable Discussion - Restoration and Monitoring**

When: Thu, October 29, 3pm – 5pm

Where: Terra Brasilis

264 Waverly St (Rte 135, across the RR tracks from the old Dennison Building)

Framingham, MA 01702

508-665-6740

Roundtable Discussion: When are you done? Let's talk about Restoration and Monitoring. Do you have a site that you have been managing for several years and "looks pretty good" if you say so yourself? Before you pat yourself on the back and walk away forever, come to the next Roundtable discussion and see if you are truly done or, about to begin PHASE 2. Click here for more details and directions

#### **Invasive Species Summit**

Challenges, Strategies, and Perspectives Co-Presented with the Lower Hudson PRISM **When:** Friday, November 6, 2015; 10am - 4pm

Where: Ross Hall

The New York Botanical Garden, NYC

**Registration Fees:** 

Morning only: \$20 Non-Member / \$10 Member

Morning and afternoon: \$55 Non-Member / \$39 Member Lower Hudson PRISM partners register at NYBG Member rate.

Invasive species are a major threat to biodiversity worldwide and are severely impacting our regional ecosystems. This Summit addresses the impacts of invasive species from a global to regional level: what is being done to manage them, how restoring ecosystems can help, and implications for the future. The morning plenary session features prominent speakers in the fields of invasion biology, restoration ecology, and not-for-profit land management. Afternoon concurrent sessions (registered separately) consist of short talks followed by moderated discussions.

Click here for more details

### SuAsCo-CISMA Fall Meeting

When: Tue, November 17, 3pm - 5pm

Where: Assabet NWR visitor center, 680 Hudson Road Sudbury, MA 01776. Click here for more details

and directions

# **Employment Opportunity**

Sudbury-Assabet-Concord Wild & Scenic River Coordinator Would you like to work to protect a Wild & Scenic River near metro Boston? The National Park Service is recruiting a Natural Resource Planner to serve as Coordinator for the Sudbury, Assabet and Concord Wild & Scenic River Stewardship Council (RSC). These three rivers are exceptional recreational, ecological and historical resources just 20 miles west of Boston. They also struggle with the challenges of a history of intensive use in a rapidly developing area. See: <a href="https://www.sudbury-assabet-concord.org">www.sudbury-assabet-concord.org</a>.

#### The Coordinator will:

• assist the RSC in implementing the River Conservation Plan

work with partner organizations and agencies, and engage volunteers and local communities to implement conservation and recreation programs, including the annual RiverFest

assist the RSC in developing and implementing annual work plans for conservation, recreation and public education

undertake administrative tasks of the RSC and manage various cooperative agreements and contracts

• keep the RSC website and social media informative, up-to-date and accurate.

This is a GS-9 term position, 24 hrs/wk, under supervision of the National Wild & Scenic Rivers Program's New England Team Leader. Salary range \$31-41,000, plus benefits. The office is located at 15 State Street, Boston, with flexibility to work from home and in field locations. Will involve some evening meetings and weekend events.

Qualifications

Higher education and/or professional experience in a related field. See position posting.

**How to Apply** 

Applications accepted Sept. 8-22, posted at: <a href="https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/412845700">https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/412845700</a> Interested parties may also contact the New England Team Leader at Jamie\_Fosburgh@nps.gov or (617) 223-5191.

#### In The News

## Can this wasp save local ash trees from devastation?

By: John Ferro, Poughkeepsie Journal 9:59 p.m. EDT August 30, 2015 Small insect being used to slow spread of emerald ash borer

Unseen and without a sound, a life-and-death war between two Asian bugs is beginning to play out in Dutchess County. On one side is the emerald ash borer, a beetle that has been killing ash trees across the nation at a fearsome rate. Marshaled against the beetles — and vastly outnumbered — are tiny, nonstinging wasps, some so small, they can be mistaken for poppy seeds.

Locally, a front line of this battle is Vassar College. There, scientists from the college are deploying the wasps at the college's ecological preserve to proactively slow the beetle's spread. Click here to read the entire article

# **Call For Fall Meeting Presenters & Newsletter Content**

The CISMA is currently seeking presenters for our Fall meeting and short articles (1-2 paragraphs) for our next newsletter. If you are interested please contact Amber Carr acarr@massaudubon.org the CISMA Coordinator.

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