



# INVASIVE SPECIES REMOVAL

Living Lands & Waters (LL&W) first kicked off invasive removal in 2006. To date, we have worked to remove invasives on 66.75 acres! In May of 2014 we officially relaunched these efforts with the Invasive Species Removal project---with a focus on eradicating honeysuckle at Illiniwek Forest Preserve in Hampton, IL.



## WHY IS THIS PROJECT IMPORTANT?

Once honeysuckle is introduced, it invades ecosystems and proliferate, often to the exclusion of native species. Non-native invasive species typically displace native flora because they have faster growth rates, efficient dispersal mechanisms, and tolerance of a wider range of conditions.

## WHAT WILL THIS PROJECT ENTAIL?

Volunteers will use hand saws, loppers, and weed wrenches to remove the Honeysuckle. Other volunteers will carry piles of the honeysuckle from the trail to a designated location that will be properly removed after the event!

## WHEN WILL THIS PROJECT OCCUR?

Times will either be 9am-11pm, or 1pm-3pm (with lunch either before the event or following)

May 4-5, May 7, May 11-12, May 14,  
May 18-19, May 25-26

## WHAT SHOULD VOLUNTEERS WEAR?

Volunteers should wear boots or old athletic shoes (closed toed shoes are a must!), long pants, light colored or loose clothing for hot weather, layers of warm clothes during cooler days. We will provide gloves, protective eye wear, and water.

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