



Natural Areas Weed Control Seminar

Date: September 23, 2009
Place: Lee County Extension Office
Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

AGENDA

8:30 - 9:00 : Registration

9:00 - 10:00 : Invasive Plants of South Florida (Identification) – Roger Clark; Lee County 20/20 Program
Presentation will include pictorial and live plants for the identification of hardwood, shrub, grass and vine species of invasive weeds negatively impacting natural areas in the South.

10:00 - 10:50 : Biological Agents for Invasive Species Management in Florida – Dr. James Cuda; UF/IFAS
An outline of the identification process, development, release and impact of biological predators and agents being used to control the proloferation of invasive plant species in Florida.

BREAK

11:00 - 12:00: Using Herbicides to Control Target Species in Florida's Natural Areas – Roy Beckford ; UF/IFAS
Presentation will list the herbicide active ingredients approved for use in Florida; their targets, mode of action, expected impact; and required PPE.

LUNCH BREAK

1:00 - 2:00: The Ecological impact of invasive species on Florida's Natural Communities – Dennis Giardina; FWC
Presentation will focus on the changing ecological relationships between native plant and animal communities as a direct consequence of disturbances caused by invasive plant species.

2:00 - 2:50: Managing disturbance (fire, flood, wind) to restore natural conditions – Mike Weston; FDACS.....
Analysis of the damage and disturbance caused by invasive species, the cost of assessing these damages and methods used to restore native environments after being impacted by invasive species.

BREAK

3:00 - 4:00: Identifying resources for preventing or controlling invasive exotic species; The Florida Invasive Species Partnership (FISP); Cost-Share Programs. Erin Myers; FWC
This presentation will identify and explain the support programs available to landowners and managers for controlling invasive species, sharing rehabilitation costs, or funding educational programs.

Cost: \$15 per person, if prepaid, or \$20 per person at the door. Check payable to LCOEAB; mail to Lee County Extension, 3406 Palm Beach Blvd., Fort Myers 33916.

CEU's : **5.5** CEUs for Natural Areas and **1.0** of CORE have been requested to count toward re-certification of your pesticide license.

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