

SE-EPPC/GA-EPPC Conference and Meeting 2014

Georgia Center, Athens, GA

Wednesday, November 12

10:00 AM Registration Begins

9:00 AM GA-EPPC BOARD MEETING

10:30 AM SE EPPC BOARD MEETING

1:00 PM Chair's Welcome Address and Announcements. Brian Arnold, Karan Rawlins

1:15 PM Dr. David Moorhead - University of Georgia: Using Technology to Fight Invasive Species, Past and Present

1:55 PM Dr. Nancy J. Loewenstein - Auburn University: Creating National Guidelines for Listing Invasive Plants

2:35 PM Break

2:45 PM Dr. John C. Maerz - University of Georgia: Microstegium facilitating unnaturally high levels of predation by Wolf Spiders on Amphibians (particularly American Toads)

3:15 PM Chip Bates – Forest Health Coordinator, Georgia Forestry Commission: First Introduction of Brazilian Peppertree in Georgia

3:50 PM Break

4:00 PM Dr. Douglas Tallamy - University of Delaware: Bringing Nature Home, How You Can Sustain Wildlife with Native Plants

6:00 PM WELCOME SOCIAL/POSTER SESSION

Thursday, November 13

8:30 AM Drive to Georgia State Botanical Gardens

9:00 AM Greeting and Welcome - Dr. Jim Affolter, Director of Research and Conservation, SBG

9:30 AM Tour Floodplain and Piedmont Prairie restoration with SBG Conservation Team. Thomas Peters, Heather Alley, Jennifer Ceska, Linda Chafin, Jim Affolter

10:30 AM Tour Mimsie Lanier Center for Native Plant Studies

11:30 AM Drive back to the Georgia Center

Noon Box Lunch at the Georgia Center

12:45 PM **Concurrent Session I**

12:45 PM Hybridization Between Wild-Type Cogongrass and the Horticultural Cold-Tolerant Cultivar, Red Baron (*Imperata cylindrica* var. *konegii* [Rubra]). Rima D. Lucardi, Diana C. Outlaw, and Gregory E. MacDonald

1:05 PM Is Your Site Prep Helping or Hurting Your Longleaf Pine Restoration? Nathan Klaus, Alan Isler, and Joyce Klaus

1:25 PM Development of a Handheld Data-logging Spray Apparatus for Invasive Plants. Jeremy Dixon

1:45 PM *Ficaria verna* — Under the Radar and On the Move. Jane K. Marlow

2:05 PM Invasive Species Removal and Plant Community Recovery at the Ocmulgee National Monument. Heather Bowman Cutway

2:25 PM Break

2:40 Fundamental Host Range of *Leptoypha hospita* (Hemiptera: Tingidae), a Potential Biological Control Agent of Chinese Privet. Yanzhuo Zhang, James Hanula, Scott Horn, Jianghua Sun, and Kris Braman

3:00 PM Fighting Fire with Fire: Utilizing Aggressive Native Plant Species to Thwart the Return of Invasives Post Removal. Thomas Peters

3:20 PM Successes and Short-comings of the Corps' Early Detection, Rapid Response (EDRR) Effort on *Tamarix canariensis*. Jessica Spencer

3:40 PM Break —After break meet back in main ballroom

3:50 PM Dr. Douglas Tallamy - Stitching the world together for Migrating Birds: Biodiversity is Essential to Sustainability

Concurrent Session II

12:45 PM Quantity vs. Quality: Experimental evaluation of cogongrass (*Imperata cylindrica*) propagule pressure on establishment success. James A. Estrada, Chris Wilson, and S. Luke Flory

1:05 PM Within-population Genetic Diversity of *Pueraria montana* (kudzu) Over Space and Time. Sandra Hoffberg and Rodney Mauricio

1:25 PM Evaluation of Chinese Tallowtree Control with Multiple IPT Methods. Stephen Enloe, Nancy Loewenstein, Dwight Lauer, and Doug Street

1:45 PM Invasion Risk of Bamboo Species in the Southeastern United States. Deah Lieurance and S. Luke Flory

2:05 PM Evaluating the Invasion Risk of Non-native Plants in Florida's Natural Areas. Deah Lieurance and S. Luke Flory

2:25 PM Break

2:40 PM Invasive Species Management in Coastal Georgia. Eamonn Leonard

3:00 PM IPM for Control of Waterhyacinth (*Eichhornia crassipes*). Lyn A Gettys and Philip W Tipping

3:20 PM A shift in competition through time for invasive *Microstegium vimineum*. Chelsea E. Cunard & Richard Lankau, Department of Plant Biology, University of Georgia

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6:30 PM Banquet, Chapter Updates, GA-EPPC Business Meeting, SE-EPPC Business Meeting, and Awards Ceremony

Friday, November 14

9:00 AM to Noon Field trips