## Farm Bill Accomplishment Report Template

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Year:	2012-2013
State:	Maine
Cooperative Agreement Name:	Forest Pest Outreach and Survey Project
Cooperative Agreement Number:	12-8223-0662-CA
Project Funding Period:	9/20/2012 – 11/15/2013
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Annual Accomplishment Report	

#### 1. Approach

#### a. Describe specific activities and accomplishments...

For the 2012-2013 funding year, ME FPOSP concentrated its efforts on training individuals in more remote and underserved areas of the state, e.g. Aroostook and Washington counties. We continued to reach out to school groups and provided resources and training to educators when requested. We made efforts to promote National Invasive Species Awareness Week by scheduling outreach events and trainings that week, as well as wrote a press release. Details of accomplishments below...

#### i. Tie in to National Invasive Species Awareness Week (NISAW; March 3-8, 2013)

- Wrote a press release (attachment 1) that was also made available on the <u>Maine Invasive</u> <u>Species Network (MISN) website</u>.
- Provided a TTT training in Presque Isle during that week.
- Provided FPOSP tabling at the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Maine Milfoil Summit, and the Portland Flower Show.
- Gave presentations on invasive forest pests at the MELNA workshop, the Arborists Association annual meeting, a state park's education day, etc.
- Promoted the newly finished mini-documentary we produced with the previous year's grant "Foes of the Forests: Maine's Trees at Risk from Invasive Insects".

#### ii. Conduct TTT sessions

 We conducted four TTT sessions, three of which were in remote areas of the state – Aroostook and Washington counties. One hundred people were trained. Details in table below.

#### iii. Reach out to Educators and active community members

- Last year's TTT sessions yielded some active young educators who developed their own presentations and provided outreach to K-6 school groups and classrooms. FPOSP provided technical assistance, outreach materials, and incentive items to the volunteers.
- Gave talks to retirement communities, Lion's club, forestry students, etc.
- Provided outreach materials and support to a volunteer involved in promoting invasive forest pest outreach at four Agricultural Fairs (Windsor, Litchfield, Pittsfield, Farmington).
- Created a new t-shirt for current and future trained volunteers (attachment 2; internal bidding process created delays, which was the reason for the agreement extension).

#### iv. Tabling at various events

• Conservation fairs, agricultural fairs, trades shows, etc.

#### v. Mass media and social media outreach

- Provided dvd copies of our mini-documentary (Foes of the Forests) to seven local access cable t.v. stations. At least four of the stations aired the documentary numerous times over the summer.
- Maintain the Maine Bug Watch facebook page, which links to the Maine Bug Watch twitter page
  – 192 posts were made during the reporting period, with "The number of impressions of your
  Page post" = 35,173. Currently have 288 "friends".
- Volunteer network promotes invasive forest pest info on their webpages and facebook pages (e.g. <u>Saco River Recreational Council</u>).

#### b. Data to be collected and maintained (and reported!)

• For Train the Trainer sessions include list of the dates, locations, organizations (if applicable) and the number of people trained.

Date	Location	Organization 1	Organization 2	Organization 3	Organization 4	# trained
3/8/2013	Presque Isle, Aroostook Co.	ME Dept. of Ag, Cons., & For.	University of Maine, PI	Soil&Water Cons. Dist. (var.)		33
4/26/2013	Fort Kent, Aroostook Co.	ME Dept. of Ag, Cons., & For.				20
	Calais, Washington, Co.	ME Dept. of Ag, Cons., & For.				21
	Westbrook, Cumberland, Co.	ME Dept. of Ag, Cons., & For.				26

- A list of outreach activities, who staffed or otherwise ran each event (i.e., cooperator staff, trained volunteers, contracted staff, etc) and a realistic number of targeted participants for each event. These should be maintained for all the outreach activities. (attachment 3)
- Describe progress you made in developing and using an electronic list of citizen volunteers.

A database of all trained volunteers from 2009 to the present was created in 2009 and is updated frequently. Also included are names and contacts of people that have expressed interest in receiving information and updates. Currently, there are 180 names on the list. The FPOSP volunteer coordinator, Lorraine Taft, sends bimonthly emails of program updates, upcoming events, solicitation of feedback, words of encouragement, etc. to all the contacts in the database.

#### 2. Quantitative Reporting

Number of volunteers added to program each month: (Start with your number from last year and fill in for each month)

# FY11	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total
191	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	20	21	26	0	0	0	0

Number of outreach events for each month. First row is # outreach events; second row is # people reached via these events.

Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total
5	7	12	3	1	2	9	12	13	14	13	7	9	107
7876	1430	716	2600	1000	55	1713	1723	712	629	3870	1775	4175	28,274

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Approved and signed by

## National Invasive Species Awareness Week - Maine Events

National Invasive Species Awareness Week for 2013 will be March 3-8

- <u>Download info sheet (PDF)</u> with some of the national highlights planned for 2013
- Let us know events that you are planning for this year and we will post them here (email caleb.slemmons@maine.edu)

National Invasive Species Awareness Week (NISAW), now in its fourth year, is an awareness week that will be marked by national, state and local events, including a major conference in Washington D.C., a public meeting by the National Invasive Species Council, Capitol Hill briefings on aquatic invasive species, and updates by federal agencies on important invasive species issues and initiatives. While the State of Maine is not recognizing the week formally, a number of activities related to invasive species and available to the public are taking place during the week. Here are 8 events and activities to observe NISAW in Maine:

- 1. The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Maine Milfoil Summit will be held on Friday, March 1, at the Lewiston-Auburn campus of the University of Southern Maine, from 8:30 a.m. to noon. The summit is free and open to the public. To register, please email lakes@leamaine.org and give your name and lake/organization affiliation. Please register early, since the meeting room can only hold 200 people. http://mainelakes.org
- 2. Maine Landscape and Nursery Association Certification Workshop, March 4, Portland; Department staff will be presenting on browntail moth, winter moth, and other tree pest problems.
- 3. "Foes of the Forests: Maine's Trees at Risk from Invasive Insects" is a new documentary highlighting the threats from invasive forest pests on the state's forest related industries and natural resources. Featured insects are the emerald ash borer, hemlock woolly adelgid, and

Asian longhorned beetle. It is available at http://www.youtube.com



- 4. Portland Flower Show, March 6-10, Portland Company Complex; the Department and its volunteers trained through the Invasive Forest Insect Volunteer Training Program, will be participating with the Children's Discovery Garden, teaching about invasive forest pests.http://portlandcompany.com/flower/
- 5. Maine Conservation Corps Trail Training program, March 8, Wolfe's Neck Woods State Park; Maine Conservation Corps and Bureau of Parks and Lands; tree I.D. and Invasive Insects education day.
- 6. Invasive Forest Insect Outreach Volunteer Training; Friday, March 8, 12:00 4:30 PM, University of Maine-Presque Isle; Department staff will train people to recognize, report and to spread awareness about the Asian longhorned beetle (ALB), the emerald ash borer (EAB), brown spruce longhorned beetle (BSLB) and hemlock woolly adelgid (HWA).
- 7. Maine Arborists Association annual meeting; March 8, Portland; Department staff will be presenting on winter moth: a new invasive forest insect in Maine.
- 8. Winter Moth Training Session, March 11, 1:00-3:00 PM, Maine Forest Service Bolton Hill Facility; a training session about winter moth for people who provide information to the public about trees or who manage public land

For more information about National Invasive Species Awareness Week, go to:

#### http://www.nisaw.org/

For more information about invasive species, go to:

- http://www.invasivespeciesinfo.gov/index.shtml
- http://www.maine.gov/forestpests
- http://www.maine.gov/invasivepests
- http://umaine.edu/invasivespecies

#### attachment 2



## Maine - FPOSP 2012-2013

				Presenta	ition	Media	Hand	Number
Who [	Date	Event / Opportunity	Town		Display	Cvrg	outs	impacted
MDA								
9/26/2	2012	Volunteer Gathering and Re-Training	Ellsworth	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	15
9/27/2	2012	Conservation Fair	Union		✓		<b>✓</b>	215
10/23/2	2012	Grow Smart with Project Canopy	Augusta		✓		<b>✓</b>	200
11/9/2	2012	Readfield School Presentation	Readfield	✓			<b>✓</b>	93
11/15/2	2012	Sebasticook Middle School	Newport	✓			<b>✓</b>	103
4/10/2	2013	Ingraham Equipment Annual Open H	Knox		✓		<b>✓</b>	20
4/27/2	2013	St. John Valley Invasive Insects/Plant	Madawaska	✓	✓		<b>✓</b>	10
5/13/2	2013	Rockland Elem. School, 2nd Grade	Rockland	<b>✓</b>			<b>~</b>	34
6/3/2	2013	Gorham Middle School Science Clas	Gorham	✓			<b>✓</b>	75
6/21/2	2013	Emerald Ash Borer Symposium	Orono	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	80
6/22/2	2013	Cushing and Friendship Girl Scouts	Cushing	<b>~</b>			<b>✓</b>	20
8/26/2	2013	DVD Mailings - 4 DVD's	Var.				<b>✓</b>	
8/29/2	2013	DVD Mailings - 6 DVD's	Var.				<b>~</b>	
9/21/2	2013	Woodcarver's Show	Augusta		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	125
9/26/2	2013	Conservation Fair	Union		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	150
MDA/M	1FS							
3/8/2		FPOSP Training	Presque Isle	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	33
4/26/2	2013	FPOSP Training	Fort Kent	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	20
5/22/2	2013	FPOSP Training	Calais	✓	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	21
6/6/2	2013	Maine DOT Highways Congress (Cre	Skowhegan	✓	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	120
6/7/2	2013	Windsor Elementary	Windsor	✓	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	37
6/27/2	2013	FPOSP Training	Westbrook	✓	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	26
MDA/M	IFS/V	olunteer(s)						
9/21/2	2012	Common Ground Fair	Unity		✓		<b>✓</b>	7500
MDA/P	PQ							
9/11/2	2013	BugMaine-ia	Augusta		✓		<b>✓</b>	800
MDA/V								
10/4/2	2012	Fryeburg Fair	Fryeburg		<b>V</b>		<b>~</b>	1000
11/5/2		Lion's Club	Gardiner	<b>✓</b>			<b>~</b>	17
1/8/2	2013	Agricultural Trades Show	Augusta		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	1000
3/23/2	2013	Maine Maple Sunday	Gorham		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	600
3/27/2	2013	Retirement Home Presentation	Falmouth	✓	✓		<b>~</b>	50

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Who Date	Event / Opportunity	Town		Display	Cvrg	outs	impacted
7/11/2013	Ossippee Valley Fair	South Hiram		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	100
9/16/2013	Farmington Fair	Farmington		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	950
9/20/2013	Common Ground Fair	Unity		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	650
Volunteer(s	)						
9/26/2012	Acadia National Park Ranger outreac	Winter Harbor	✓			✓	46
9/27/2012	Invasive Forest Pest Talk	Yarmouth	✓			✓	100
10/3/2012	Acadia National Park Ranger outreac	Winter Harbor	✓			✓	46
10/6/2012	Saco River Invasive Aquatics	Saco				✓	0
10/12/2012	Leavitt H.S. student education	Turner	✓			✓	50
10/24/2012	Acadia National Park Ranger outreac	Winter Harbor	✓			✓	64
10/25/2012	Winthrop Elementary	Winthrop	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	70
11/1/2012	Harrison Lyseth Elementary	Portland	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	83
11/2/2012	Mabel Wilson School	Cumberland	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	145
11/6/2012	Riverton School	Portland	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	52
11/7/2012	Harrison Lyseth Elementary	Portland	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	52
11/14/2012	Wardwell Neighborhood	Saco	✓			<b>✓</b>	15
11/15/2012	Ocean Ave Elementary	Portland	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	44
11/16/2012	East End Comm School	Portland	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	100
11/18/2012	Quarry Quest Adventure Walk	Biddeford	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	12
11/19/2012	Don't Move Firewood posting				<b>✓</b>		
12/9/2012	Winter Moth posting				<b>✓</b>		200
12/11/2012	Winter Moth posting				<b>✓</b>		400
12/31/2012	FB posting of HWA	Bar Harbor			<b>✓</b>		2000
2/11/2013	Maine Conservation Corp	Augusta	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	15
2/15/2013	Weeds, Bugs and Mugs	Bar Harbor	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	40
3/1/2013	Milfoil Summit	Lewiston		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	250
3/8/2013	Portland Flower Show	Portland		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	400
3/12/2013	USM Job Fair	Portland		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	150
3/22/2013	River Valley Healthy Communities Co	South Paris		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	150
3/23/2013	Agri-Business Trade Fair	Presque Isle		✓		<b>✓</b>	70
3/27/2013	Forest 101 Class	Farmington	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	10
4/5/2013	Gnome Landscapes Company Semin	Falmouth	<b>✓</b>			✓	15
4/11/2013	Town Mgr and Selectmen Meeting	Fryeburg	<b>✓</b>			✓	15
4/12/2013	Health and Fitness Fair	Biddeford	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	150
4/14/2013	Saco Maine Kayak Group Annual Ba	Londonderry	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	83

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4/19/2013	Letter to the Editor	Conway, NH			<b>✓</b>		1000
4/24/2013	ME Parks and Public Lands	Farmington	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	30
4/24/2013	Volumes Bookstore	Houlton				<b>✓</b>	100
4/27/2013	ME Land Conservation Conference	Topsham		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	250
4/30/2013	Rotary Club of Fryeburg Area	fryeburg	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	30
5/1/2013	SAD 27 Community H.S.	Fort Kent	<b>✓</b>			✓	100
5/4/2013	ME Outdoor Expo	Portland		✓		<b>✓</b>	75
5/8/2013	SRRC Spring Meeting	fryeburg	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	10
5/11/2013	Upper Saco Valley Land Trust Comm	Fryeburg	<b>✓</b>	✓		<b>✓</b>	30
5/14/2013	SWOAM Forest Health Meeting	Brewer	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	50
5/14/2013	Rockland Elem. School, 2nd Grade	Rockland	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	17
5/14/2013	Fryeburg Business Assn Meeting	Fryeburg	<b>✓</b>				24
5/20/2013	Employee Health Awareness Day	Lisbon		✓		<b>✓</b>	24
5/21/2013	Personal outreach at School	Bowdoinham	<b>✓</b>				67
5/22/2013	WMWV Radio Drive	Fryeburg	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>		200
5/25/2013	SRRC Environmental Fair	Swans Falls	<b>✓</b>	✓		<b>✓</b>	60
6/3/2013	Dropped handouts	Cornish				<b>✓</b>	30
6/5/2013	Class at Unity of Portland Church	Windham	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	13
6/6/2013	Gorham Library	Gorham	<b>✓</b>	✓		<b>✓</b>	25
6/11/2013	Courtesy Boat Inspector Stint	Calais		✓		<b>✓</b>	34
6/15/2013	Saco River Clean-Up Event	Swans Falls	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	60
6/17/2013	Shapleigh Lake Area	Shapleigh	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	35
6/25/2013	ME's Sustainability Solutions Initiativ	Augusta	✓				24
6/29/2013	Hartland School District	Hartland				✓	50
7/6/2013	Biddeford Pool Improvement Assn Su	Biddeford	✓			✓	100
7/20/2013	Biddeford Pool Community Club Sea	Biddeford		✓		✓	150
7/24/2013	Friendship Town Office	Friendship	✓			✓	5
7/24/2013	Cathance Lake Annual Meeting	Cathance	✓			✓	25
7/24/2013	Blue Hill Heritage Trust	Blue Hill	✓			✓	14
7/24/2013	Friendship Day Parade	Friendship		✓			350
7/30/2013	Pittston Fair	Pittston		✓			700
Jul-Aug 2013	Key Bank Month-Long	Fryeburg				✓	650
7/31/2013	Blue Hill Heritage Trust/ Coleen Teerl	Blue Hill	✓				26
7/31/2013	Summer Concert in the Park	Fryeburg		✓		✓	1000
Jul-Aug 2013	Summer Youth Camps	Swans Fall	<b>✓</b>	✓		<b>✓</b>	250

Who Date	Event / Opportunity	Town	Presentation Display	_		Number impacted
Jul-Aug 2013	Outreach to Youth Groups - Var.	Southern Maine			<b>✓</b>	500
8/1/2013	Monmouth Fair	Monmouth				750
8/10/2013	Friendship Garden Tour	Friendship				65
8/10/2013	Blandings Park Wildlife Sanctuary	Biddeford				55
8/23/2013	Windsor Fair	Windsor			✓	850
8/28/2013	Foes of the Forests	Searsport				55
9/2/2013	Bethel Chamber of Commerce	Bethel	<b>~</b>		✓	100
9/3/2013	Bethel Library	Bethel			✓	50
9/4/2013	Clinton Fair	Clinton			✓	650
9/5/2013	Litchfield Fair	Litchfield			✓	700

MDA = Maine Department of Agriculture MFS = Maine Forest Service

Total Impact: 28,274