



Japanese Knotweed Symposium

A workshop for homeowners & land managers

Knotweed – aka Michigan Bamboo or Mexican Bamboo – is becoming a major problem in SW Michigan. This non-native invasive plant can damage roads, pipes, sewer lines and building foundations. It also chokes out native vegetation, increases erosion, degrades water quality and hurts habitat for fish and wildlife. This symposium will address:

- How invasive knotweed grows and spreads
- How, when and where to control knotweed
- Hands-on demonstrations
- Techniques to prevent the spread of knotweed
- Handling Japanese Knotweed waste

FREE! Lunch provided with RSVP by September 15

Friday, September 23, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

The Heritage Museum & Cultural Center

601 Main Street, St. Joseph, MI

Who should attend: road commission staff, municipal staff from St. Joe, Benton Harbor and surrounding communities, land managers, landscapers, applicators, homeowners, environmental organizations, etc.

Register: Contact Erin Fuller: 269-657-4030 x5, erin.fuller@mi.nacdn.net or register online: www.vanburencd.org/event/japanese-knotweed/

Credits: 3 Restricted Use Pesticide (RUP) credits available

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