



# ONAPA Nature Preserve Monitoring Report

## Ohio Natural Areas & Preserves Association

Preserve Visited: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Monitor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Visit: \_\_\_\_\_ Time of Visit (hours): \_\_\_\_\_

Email of person completing form: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### OBSERVATIONS (notes can be added on page 2)

Parking lot area in good condition: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ (If no, explain below.)

Signs of vandalism: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ (If yes, describe below.)

Signs of littering: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ (If yes, give details below.)

Entrance sign, kiosk & bulletin board, interpretive signs, other visitor facilities in good condition: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ (If no, give details below.)

Trails in good condition and easy to follow: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Mostly \_\_\_  
(If no or mostly, give details below.)

Indication of off-trail use evident: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ (If yes, explain below.)

Evidence of disturbance of plants and/or animals: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
(If yes, explain below.)

Signs of unauthorized access from neighboring private property: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
This will only be relevant if you are near the preserve boundaries during your visit.  
(If yes, explain below.)

Invasive plants encountered: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ None that I could recognize \_\_\_  
(If yes, use the attached checklist on page 3.)

Identify any other problems observed:

Any photos taken by you: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
(If yes, please attach.)

## Notes of Observations and Recommendations

**For Internal ONAPA use only:**

Region of state: NE \_\_\_ NW \_\_\_ W \_\_\_ SE \_\_\_ SW \_\_\_ E \_\_\_

Managing agency or organization:

Name of preserve manager:

Any immediate concerns noted:

## INVASIVE PLANT CHECKLIST FOR ONAPA PRESERVE MONITORING

The checklist below includes 22 common invasive plants likely to be found in state nature preserves and other natural areas in Ohio. If you need help with identification, feel free to refer to the Ohio Invasive Plants Council website at [www.opic.info](http://www.opic.info), or other invasive plant websites. If you are not sure, feel free to include photographs. In most cases, preserve managers are familiar with the invasive plants on the preserve, but if it is a new infestation and they do not visit the preserve often, this could be very helpful information.

### FORBS

- Garlic mustard, *Alliaria petiolata*
- Poison hemlock, *Conium maculatum*
- Common or cut-leaved teasel, *Dipsacus fullonum* or *D. laciniatus*
- Japanese knotweed, *Fallopia (Polygonum) japonica*
- Lesser celandine, *Ficaria verna (Ranunculus ficaria)*
- Purple loosestrife, *Lythrum salicaria*
- Narrow-leaved cattail, *Typha angustifolia*

### GRASSES

- Smooth brome grass, *Bromus inermis*
- Chinese silvergrass, *Microstegium vimineum*
- Reed canary grass, *Phalaris arundinacea*
- Common reed grass or Phragmites, *Phragmites australis*

### VINES

- Oriental or Asiatic bittersweet, *Celastrus orbiculatus*
- Wintercreeper, *Euonymus fortunei*
- Japanese honeysuckle, *Lonicera japonica*

### SHRUBS AND TREES

- Japanese barberry, *Berberis thunbergii*
- Russian or Autumn olive, *Elaeagnus angustifolia* or *E. umbellata*
- Winged burning bush, *Euonymus alatus*
- Asian bush honeysuckle, *Lonicera maackii*, *L. morrowii*, or *L. tatarica*
- Multiflora rose, *Rosa multiflora*
- Tree-of-heaven, *Ailanthus altissima*
- Glossy or common buckthorn, *Rhamnus frangula (Frangula alnus)* or *R. cathartica*
- Callery pear, *Pyrus calleryana*

### ANY OTHER INVASIVE PLANTS OF NOTE OR ABUNDANCE: