**Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program (APIPP)**

**Mid-Winter Terrestrial Partner Roundtable**

**February 7, 2024 | 10:00am-11:30pm**

Link to recorded meeting: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lXaNiGSKLNs>

**Attendees**

APIPP Staff: Becca Bernacki, Brian Greene, Shaun Kittle (for first portion of the meeting), Zack Simek, Tammara Van Ryn

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| Alexandra Beck, DOT  Alexandra von Bieberstein, DOT  Ari Giller-Leinwohl  Bill Widrig, Volunteer  Caroline Marschner, NYSHI  Christine Colley, DOT  Claire Ligna  Edward Boyer, Brant Lake Assoc.  Emily Tyner, Lake Clear Assoc.  Everett McNeill, ESSLA  Ezra Schwartzberg, Adirondack Research  Finnick Hakamaki  Graham Cox  Jeff Clark  Jim Townsend, ALA  Krista Kennedy, AsRA  Lizz Schuyler, APA  Mary Kiewicz  Monika LaPlante, LGA  Neil Chippendale, SLA  Peter Dunleavy, DOT  Richard Waite, Piseco Lake Assoc.  Stephanie Tyoe, Herkimer County  Steve Young, Adirondack Botanical Soc.  Tom Metauten, Herkimer County  Walter Hogan, Caroga Lake Assoc. |

**Welcome and Introductions**

The meeting was opened by Becca Bernacki, the Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program’s (APIPP) Terrestrial Invasive Species Coordinator. Becca welcomed everyone to the meeting and reviewed the agenda. Becca reviewed some of the highlights from the terrestrial invasive species portion of APIPP’s [2023 Annual Report](https://adkinvasives.com/data/files/Documents/APIPP%20Annual%20Report%202023_Reduced%20for%20Web.pdf) which can be found on APIPP’s website. Towards the end of her remarks Becca thanked all the partners on the call for their friendship and support as she announced her pending departure from APIPP.

**Partner Updates**

Becca asked the following partner organization to provide a 2-3 minute update on their 2023 terrestrial invasive species highlights, top priorities for 2024, and projects they would like to coordinate with other partners on this year.

* NYSDOT – Alex, Peter, and others
* Adirondack Park Agency – Lizz and Aaron
* Ausable River Association – Krista
* NYS Hemlock Initiative – Caroline
* Lake George Association – Monika
* Adirondack Research – Ezra
* Adirondack Landowners Assoc. - Jim
* Herkimer County Highway, Stephanie and Tom
* ESSLA, Ev
* Schroon Lake Association, Neil
* Lake Clear Association, Emily
* Forest Pest Hunters – Bill, Frank, Jim, Bob
* Adirondack Botanical Society - Steve
* East Shore Schroon Lake – Ev

**Open Forum**

An open forum followed where participants exchanged information and connected on projects of interest. To review the full meeting, click on the YouTube link above.