

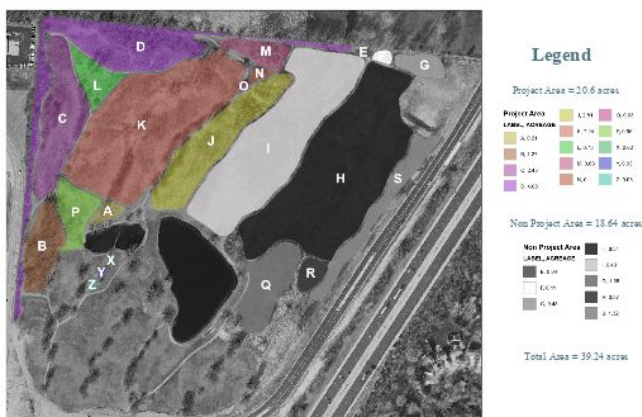
Kingswood Park Invasive Plant Removal Project

Summer 2020

Deerfield Township and Ohio River Foundation have partnered to bring new life to Kingswood Park (4188 Irwin Simpson Rd, Mason, OH 45040) through an exciting environmental restoration project. This project includes removing harmful invasive Callery Pear trees and Honeysuckle on 20 acres of Kingswood North.

Why remove Invasive Callery Pear and Honeysuckle?

Pear and Honeysuckle are quickly taking over the wooded areas of Kingswood North. If not controlled, these invasive plants will cause environmental and economic harm to an ecosystem. Invasive species spread rapidly and quickly shade-out the healthy variety of wildflowers, grasses, and trees. Eventually, an ecosystem is dominated with invasive species. Left with nowhere to live, the bees, butterflies, birds, and other critters move away.



By removing these two species, the Kingswood ecosystem will begin to function as it once did, naturally. There will be room once again for local wildflowers, grasses, and trees to spread and thrive.

How will the plants and trees be removed?

Honeysuckle shrubs and Callery Pear trees will be cut, chipped, and removed from property without removing understory plants.

Want to get involved? Volunteer!

When: Sunday, June 28th, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

What: Volunteers will be hand sawing/trimming small invasive woody plants and dragging them to the chipper area. Volunteers should be prepared for the weather in durable, layered clothing; wear long pants and long sleeves, hat, sunglasses, work gloves and protective eyewear (if you have them). Sturdy, close-toed shoes are required. Suggested: facemask and refillable water bottle—there will be a water fountain/bottle refill station within walking distance for volunteers. Visit ohioriverfdn.org for more info.

Other dates: 8am-12pm

Mon. June, 29

Wed. July, 1

Fri. July, 3

Mon. July, 6

Wed. July, 8

Fri. July 10

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