

DID YOU KNOW WAYNE COUNTY HAS A CISMA?

WIPER

WAYNE COUNTY INVASIVE PLANT EDUCATION & REMOVAL

WHAT'S A CISMA?

CISMA stands for: Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area
CISMAs are formed to collectively combat the problem of invasive species spreading across the landscapes through education and outreach at the local level.

WIPER's Mission: "To protect the land and habitats of Wayne County from the devastating effects of invasive plant species by educating the public; monitoring and removing invasive plants, and promoting and protecting native species."

BE ON THE LOOK OUT FOR FALL WEED WRANGLES



HAVE AN INVASIVE PLANT QUESTION?

Liz Yetter, the Eastern Indiana Regional Specialist for the Indiana Invasives Initiative can help.

The Indiana Invasives Initiative (III) is a 5 year collaboration between Southern Indiana Cooperative Invasives Management (SICIM) and the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to manage invasive plants and raise public awareness of the devastation caused by these non-native pests. As a part of this Initiative, there are SICIM Regional Specialists who work at the local level with local people using local resources to target invasives.

Through the III we offer landowner surveys to help identify and provide ways to control invasive plants on the site. During this visit I will answer any questions you may already have as well as teach you how to identify any invasive plants we may find. After the site visit, I develop an invasive species management plan, which includes what invasive plants were found and what options there are to control them. If you have more questions about landowner surveys or just an individual species you are dealing with, please reach out. No green space is too large or too small to be improved by the removal of invasive plants.

You can reach Liz at

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Why Native Plants?

Planting Native Plants:

- Provide food for insects & wildlife
- Provide habitat for insects & wildlife
- Increases biodiversity



Butterflies need more than just milkweed!

Indiana's Native Cherries support over 400 moth and butterfly species! Native Oaks support over 500!

Spicebush is host for Spicebush sawflytails

Tuplip trees host Eastern Tiger swallowtails

Sweetgums host Luna moths!

