



# Invasive Plants

## The GREEN THUGS in YOUR Neighborhood

The Trustees of Reservations' Highland Communities Initiative,  
the Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge, and  
the Town of Shelburne Open Space Committee  
invite you to the

### Highlands' *Least-Wanted* Invasive Plants Forum

Saturday, May 22, 9 AM-3 PM

Fellowship Hall of First Congregational Church (Shelburne Grange),  
Little Mohawk Rd. (right off Rte 2), Shelburne Center, MA

What is an invasive plant, why are they harmful to our wildlife and landscape, and what can you do? Come to this forum to learn about our most common invasive plants and two new invaders, their effect on our native plants, birds and other wildlife--especially in a warming world-- and specific steps you can take to help control them.

8:30: Registration (free, but donations welcomed)

9:00: Informational presentations

12:00: Lunch-time discussion/roundtable. Browse cosponsor displays and gather handouts.

*(Bring your own lunch--beverages and dessert provided)*

1:00: Hands-On Field Session-- Garlic Mustard ID and Pull

3:00: Adjourn

#### PRESENTERS:

Julie Richburg, Regional Ecologist, The Trustees of Reservations

Heather Cupo, Horticulturist, Plant Euphoria

Chris Polatin, Habitat Restoration Specialist, Polatin Ecological Services, LLC

Cynthia Boettner, Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge

For more information or to register,  
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