



Waukesha County

Department of Parks and Land Use

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RESIDENTS INVITED TO MONITOR WISCONSIN'S WATERS IN WAUKESHA COUNTY DURING SNAPSHOT DAY

Search for aquatic invasive species at Annual Statewide Snapshot Day, August 18th

(WAUKESHA, WI) – Waukesha County invites residents of all ages to participate in the 5th Annual Snapshot Day on Saturday, August 18 from 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at five locations throughout the county. The fun, hands-on citizen science event relies on volunteers to help search for aquatic invasive species in local lakes, rivers and streams. The statewide effort is hosted by River Alliance of Wisconsin in partnership with UW Extension's Citizen Lake Monitoring Network and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

“The volunteers play a vital role in protecting Wisconsin’s waters by detecting potentially harmful plants and animals,” said Brad Steckart, AIS Coordinator for Washington and Waukesha Counties. “We are excited to take part in this great opportunity for our community once again.”

Snapshot Day is free and does not require any previous experience. Volunteers can monitor from the shore with binoculars and rakes or wade in to get a better look. Participants will begin the day with a brief training session from local coordinators at Waukesha Public Library, located at 321 Wisconsin Ave. in Waukesha. Once trained, groups will head to monitoring sites for the day. Waukesha County Snapshot Day monitoring sites are available below. The event is recommended for ages 8 and up, minors must be accompanied by an adult.

Register and see event details at www.wisconsinrivers.org/snapshot-day/. Advance registration is recommended by August 3 to receive a free Snapshot Day tote bag with supplies. Registration will remain open until August 17.

For more information, contact Brad Steckart, AIS Coordinator for Washington and Waukesha Counties at (262) 335-4806 or bradley.steckart@co.washington.wi.us. To learn more about Waukesha County’s invasive species program, visit: www.waukeshacounty.gov/ais or <http://dnr.wi.gov/lakes/invasives>.

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2018 Snapshot Day Waukesha County Monitoring Sites
Saturday, August 18, 2018
9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Training session begins in the Community Room at Waukesha Public Library at 9:30 a.m.
The library is located at 321 Wisconsin Ave., Waukesha , WI 53186

Location	Monitoring Area	Parking	Map
Brook Park 20707 Brook Park Dr., Brookfield, WI 53045	Bridge Sampling (Need to be able to climb down a little bit)	Parking on road (Barker Rd. and Larkspur Dr.)	Google Map
Fox River Sanctuary 810 W College Ave., Waukesha, WI 53186	Shore Sampling	Parking lot available	Google Map
Frame Park 1150 Frame Park Dr., Waukesha, WI 53186	Walk down Fox River Trail to small bridge near Formal Gardens	Parking lot available	Google Map
Pewaukee Kiwanis Village Park 325 Capitol Dr., Pewaukee, WI 53072	Bridge Sampling Capitol Dr. Bridge Accessible Access Shore Sampling - Use covered bridge	Parking lot available	Google Map
Wray Park Corner of Mary Lynn and Jaclyn Drive Brookfield, WI 53045	Shore Sampling (Walk around the left edge of the park following a small dry creek bed past a couple of ponds and down to the show of the river)	Parking lot available	Google Map