

Wisconsin Point PIPL Establishment Phase Quarterly Work Report, July – September 2021

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July

Administration, documentation, reports and invoices - *Director*

7th – Site visit, 9-11am

- *SLRA staff monitoring of site conditions (i.e. vandalism, predators, invasive species, driftwood, migrating shorebird species)*

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August

Administration, documentation, reports and invoices - *Director*

20th – Dune grass habitat work site visit, 9-11am

- *On-site visit to plan and discuss dune grass plantings.*

29th – Large woody debris control, invasive species control, 1-4pm

- *University of Minnesota – Duluth freshman service project for 25 students. Piling of woody debris in Zone 2, 4, 5, and 6. Mechanical control of invasive species in Zone 3 (cutting of Salix sp.) and 6 (hand pulling of Tumbleweed sp.). Removal of 8 (40 gallon) trash bags of vegetation. (See Photo #1 & #2)*

September

Administration, documentation, reports and invoices - *Director*

2nd – Site visit, 11am -1pm

- *SLRA staff monitoring of site conditions (i.e. vandalism, predators, invasive species, driftwood, migrating shorebird species)*

22nd – Habitat Team on-site assessment, 1-3pm

- *Fall habitat site assessment utilizing field instruction protocol and data form reporting. (See photo 5 and 6)*

28th – Field work day, 9am-2pm

- *SLRA Project Leader and 2 WDNR field crew conducted chemical and mechanical invasive species control in Zone 1 & 3. Cutting of Poplar species resprouts and subsequent Garlon chemical application on stumps (Zone 1). Cutting of Salix species and Garlon application on stumps in Zone 3. Piling and burning of accumulated beach driftwood in Zones 4, 5, and 6. (See Photo #3 & #4)*
- *WDNR field crew trenching and removal of sand to reposition cantilevered ends of fence for winter positioning to avoid ice/thaw cycle*

Additional Tasks

Equipment prep and maintenance

- *Chainsaws, mechanical loppers, oil and gas, shovels, weed wrench, rakes, gloves, contractor bags, personal protective equipment, gps device, binoculars, spotting scopes, marking flag, meter tapes*

Meeting preparation, protocol form edits, data input

- *Scheduling and follow-up for team meetings, computer edits to protocol and reporting forms, google earth software and spreadsheet data input and sorting*



Photo #1



Photo #2



Photo #3



Photo #4



Photo5



photo6