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SUBJECT: Two Invasive Knotweed Workshops to be Held in August

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[Duluth, MN] – Two Invasive Knotweed workshops will be provided in August through a collaboration between the City of Duluth, Duluth Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area (DCISMA), Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA), Carlton Soil and Water Conservation District, and the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. The workshops are offered free of charge and all are welcome to attend.

Knotweed, also known locally as bamboo, is an invasive plant that spreads rapidly. It can cause damage to property, lakes, and stream corridors. Community engagement is critical to controlling this species in Duluth and the surrounding region. Area experts from the MDA and DCISMA will teach attendees how to identify knotweed, map where populations occur, and slow the plant's spread.

#### **Invasive Knotweed Workshops**

## **Duluth Hartley Nature Center**

3001 Woodland Ave, Duluth, MN 55803

Thursday, August 4 / 6:00 - 7:30 PM

### **Cloquet Public Library**

320 14th Street, Cloquet, MN 55720

Thursday, August 11 / 6:00 - 7:30 PM

To register for the event, please visit: https://www.stewardshipnetwork.org/events/list/?tribe\_tags%5B0%5D=47

For more information about Knotweed and a compilation of resources, please visit: https://sites.google.com/stewardshipnetwork.org/duluthcismapartners/knotweed-resources

Please contact Lori Seele, CISMA Coordinator with questions about the event at lori@stewardshipnetwork.org.

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