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## **Woods and Water Workday**

Join the County Parks staff and the Lake St. Clair Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area (CISMA) to tackle woody invasive species at Fort Gratiot County Park. This park has it all with unique wooded dune and swale habitat and a windswept beach with abundant birds and wildlife. We need your help to protect and restore it!

Bundle up and bring your loppers if you have them, we will have extra tools as well. We suggest eye protection and clothing that can get torn and dirty. No experience is necessary and all are welcome. A portable restroom is available at the park.

We meet on under the Beach Gateway at Fort Gratiot County Park, 3325 Metcalf Rd., Fort Gratiot. Thursday, February 20, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

## <u>Forest Fridays</u>

Join County Parks volunteers and staff and Friends of the St. Clair River as we team up for fun and fellowship to manage invasive species in high quality forested areas of the rustic and beautiful Columbus County Park. Learn about which common landscape shrubs are invading natural areas and how you can help. Wear clothing that can get snagged, wet, and dirty and bring heavy/leather gloves and pruning tools if you have them. We will have extra tools and garden gloves. In case of inclement weather we will work on indoor tasks such as wildlife specimen recording and research.

We meet at the Columbus County Park Lodge, 1670 Bauman Rd, Columbus February Dates: 2/7, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 10 a.m-12 p.m.

## Eco Gardens

Experience Goodells County Park in a brand-new way this winter! Our Eco Gardens volunteers are working to remove invasive species, prepare for public education programs, and restore natural areas of the park. No experience or special tools are needed, just bring your warm, rugged clothing and cheery attitude. If the weather is inclement we will work on indoor tasks such as native/medicinal plant research.

We meet at the Goodells County Park office building, 8254 County Park Drive, Goodells February Dates: 2/5, 2/19, 1-3 p.m.

## Woodsong Woody Workday

Give back to nature at Woodsong! Woodsong County Park is a former Girl Scout camp with diverse topography and forested habitats overlooking the Black River. We will be joined by staff from the Lake St. Clair CISMA to identify, map, and manage woody invasive species in the park. Warm clothing, gloves, eye protection, and footwear that can get dirty and snagged are suggested. Bring your tools; loppers, pruners, and handsaws, we have some extras. No need of prior knowledge or skills necessary!

Woodsong County Park is located at 5980 Rynn Rd., Clyde Wednesday, February 12, 1-3 p.m.

> \*Master Gardeners: Earn two volunteer hours for each of these workdays. Record your hours under St. Clair County Parks.

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