

U.S. National Early Detection and Rapid Response System for Invasive Plants

North Carolina Sandhills EDRR Training Workshop

North Carolina Exotic Pest Plant Council, North Carolina Sandhills Weed Management Area
Weymouth Woods-Sandhills Nature Preserve, Southern Pines, North Carolina – November 4, 2010

Final Agenda

9:00-9:10. *Welcome* – Rick Iverson (President, NC-EPPC) and Margaret Fields (TNC), and Tracy Rush (NCSWMA)

9:10-10:00. *EDRR – Introduction and Overview* - Randy Westbrooks, USGS

Handout 1: National EDRR System Overview – Fact Sheet

Handout 2: Traditional Approaches – Evolving Framework

Handout 3: NC EDRR System – Organizational Framework

10:00-10:30. *NCDA Noxious Weed Program Overview* - Rick Iverson, NCDA

Handout 4: Witchweed Eradication Program – Fact Sheet

Handout 5: NC EDRR Target List

10:30-10:45. Break

10:45-11:00. *Cogongrass, a Serious Threat to the Sandhills Region* - Rick Iverson

Handout 6: Cogongrass Fact Sheet



11:00-12:00. *Other Federal/State Regulated EDRR Species* – Fact Sheets - Rick Iverson

12:00-1:00. Lunch in Town

1:00-2:00. *Non-regulated EDRR Species* – Fact Sheets - Randy Westbrooks

2:00-2:15. *EDDMapS and other Online Invasive Species Resources* - Margaret Fields, TNC

Handout 7: Field Survey Data Collection Form

Handout 8: Online Resources

2:15-2:30. *Plant Specimen Collection and Preparation* - Carol Ann McCormick, UNC-Chapel Hill

2:30-2:45. Break

2:45-3:30. *Sandhills Weed Management Area Overview* - Tracy Rush, NCSWMA

3:30-4:00. *Next Steps for Building EDRR Capacity in the Sandhills Region* – Group Discussion

Handout 9: Guidelines and Next Steps for Building EDRR Capacity

Handout 10: Stakeholders and Volunteers – Sandhills Early Detection Network

Handout 11: SCC Online IVS Training Program – Train the Next Generation

Handout 12: Student Weed Stopper Program

Handout 13: Rapid Assessment Guidelines

Handout 14: NC EDRR Program Contacts

4:00. Adjourn