



Campus Sustainability Fund Final Report

1.0 - Project Report

1.1 - Project Title:

Invasive Species Management Program

1.2 - Report Prepared by:

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1.3 - Key Accomplishments

Please describe your projects key accomplishments.

Formation of an Advisory Committee, development of an Invasive Species Management Program including field work and maps to identify sites for invasive species removal, a well-documented final Program report, a Volunteer Orientation Manual and an Open House to receive feedback from stakeholders and to publicize the program

1.4 - Student Learning:

Please describe how the expected student learning opportunities were realized.

The two students working on the project learned a great deal about biophysical inventory techniques and community engagement, area management plans were produced for classes to use as part of coursework on campus, a number of student groups were directly involved in learning about invasive species and environmental stewardship in ES341, ES321, the Ecological Restoration Volunteer Network, the Environmental Studies Students Association and the Society of Geography Students.

1.5 - Goal Acquisition:

Was the project goal achieved? In answering please describe the how the project effected the relevant stakeholders and where the project is currently.

Yes, we met all of our goals. We produced the Invasive Species Management Plan, we developed an



inventory of sites (supplemented with maps) for invasive species removal, we developed a stewardship program supported by a Volunteer Manual and we provided initial coordination of the program that involved 8 events with 193 people and involving 241 volunteer hours.

1.6 - Long Term Consequences:

How will this project be continued and its accomplishments carried forward?

The Advisory Committee will continue with the coordination of the RNS Program Academic Administrator. We are planning to produce a brochure for wider distribution of information on the Invasive Species Management Program and to foster better community engagement on campus. We plan to conduct a more detailed Sensitive Ecosystems Inventory to better protect our most sensitive ecosystems before they are lost. The Area Management Plans contained in our report are ready to be used by instructors in courses.

1.7 - Lesson's learned:

What advice would you give others attempting similar projects through Sustainability Fund?

We spent longer with one-on-one community consultation at the beginning of the project than expected and we were a little rushed at the end of the project to finish the report and plan for the Open House. Although one-on-one meetings are helpful they are not as productive as group activities.

1.8 - Timeline:

Please provide the *actual* project start and end dates

Start Date May 16, 2014.	End Date October 14, 2016.
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1.9 - Feedback

Do you have any feedback for the Office of Campus Planning and Sustainability or the Sustainability Fund Application Review Committee regarding your experience with the Fund?

My experience with this project was great. The application was relatively easy to complete and Matt and John were very supportive helpful.

2.0 - Project Financials

2.1 – Budget



Please provide a completed final budget describing how the budget provide was actually spent. Please provide receipts for any expenses that have not yet been claimed through the Office of Campus Planning and Sustainability.

The spending for the project occurred as expected according to the following budget:

Campus Sustainability Fund

Coordinator's Salary (4 days per week, 22 weeks) 28 hrs @ \$15 x 22 = \$9,240

Community Mapping Assistant 35 hrs @ \$15 = \$525

Inkind Contribution Student Volunteer Time ES341 - 50 students x 2 hours @\$15 = \$1,500

Other courses – 100 students x 2 hours = \$3,000

Restoration Volunteer Network – 100 students x 2 hours = \$3,000

RNS Academic Administrator

Supervision – 2 hrs @ \$45 x 22 = \$2,000

Materials and Equipment from RNS Program

Office space, surveying equipment, loppers, secateurs, etc. - \$200/wk x 22 = \$4,400

Facilities Management

Removal of invasive species material – 30 hours @ \$30 = \$900

PROJECT TOTAL: \$24,565

Please submit completed forms electronically to mgreeno@uvic.ca

Any questions please contact:

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