

ALABAMA PLANT CAMP

September 18th, 2015 • Lake Guntersville State Park



See what an invaded reservoir looks like!



Brush up on your lake and reservoir ecology.



Sharpen your plant ID skills.

Workshop limited to 40 teachers and is first come first served! Open to elementary, middle, and high school teachers. Applications accepted until September 16th, 2015.

- Learn about native, non-native and invasive plants
- Gain hands-on field experience with aquatic and wetland plant biology
- Take an airboat tour of a local wetland
- Study the ecology of plants in Alabama's natural areas
- Practice plant identification techniques.
- Discover impacts of invasive plants on Alabama's ecology and economy
- **Earn Continuing Education Unit Credits!**
- **No fees - Meals provided!**

Why learn about invasive plants?

When a non-native plant species spreads on its own, causing environmental and/or economic harm, it is considered invasive. In Alabama, invasive plant species are clogging flood control structures, causing navigation problems on reservoirs and rivers, harboring mosquitos, impacting homeowners, degrading waterfowl habitat, and covering other valuable fish and wildlife habitat. . Managing invasive plants is expensive, costing millions of dollars each year statewide.

Prevention and education are needed to protect our waters and natural areas. That's why we are seeking the help of educators to bring this important topic to the classroom. Join us this September to learn about the numerous invasive plant (and animal) species silently invading Alabama's water bodies. Along the way, learn about the wild and wonderful native flora and fauna that make Alabama a unique place to live and a world-famous travel destination.

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ALABAMA PLANT CAMP 2015 Registration

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Thank you for your interest in our annual one-of-a-kind training workshop (for teachers only) about Alabama's native, non-native and invasive plants. Registration will be accepted from **ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE** and **HIGH** school teachers.

When: September 18th, 2015

Where: Lake Guntersville State Park, Guntersville, AL

IMPORTANT: All registrations **MUST** be completed and sent to Dr. Brett Hartis by September 16th, 2015

Email or mail completed registration to:

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Name _____ Male _____ Female _____ County _____

Grade Level ? _____ Subject(s) you teach (2015-2016) _____ # Years _____

Home Mailing Address (*Note: Please provide a physical mailing address so we can send materials, if needed.)

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

E-mail _____

School Name _____ School Phone # _____

School Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Estimated number of students/teachers who will benefit from this training: students _____ teachers _____

How did you hear about PLANT CAMP: _____

COMPLETE the registration above and send to the contact information provided. Thank you for all you do as an educator!