



Invasives Ecology and Healthy Ecosystems

**Wednesday, August 25, 2021
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via Zoom**

Healthy ecosystems are an ideal to strive for, not just for nature's own sake, but for the health and happiness of humankind as well. The second biggest threat to ecosystem health (after development) is the invasion of non-native plants and animals. In this talk, you'll learn about invasives ecology and the importance of native biodiversity, as well as the ongoing statewide efforts to combat invasives and practical steps that can be taken by individuals.



About Our Speaker: Ryan Goolic is the Terrestrial Invasive Species Project Manager with the New York-New Jersey Trail Conference and the Lower Hudson Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Biology and Environmental Studies from The College of New Jersey in 2017, where his interest in invasive species started. After being crew leader of the Invasives Strike Force in 2019, he transitioned to the Project Manager position. When he's not

waging war against invasive plants, you can find him looking for interesting bugs and fungi, cooking for friends and family, and unwinding through gaming.

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