# Least Wanted Poster – INVASIVE SPECIES (revised mg2013)

Period:

**Directions:** Part I. Research one (1) of the following invasive species using the Web sites listed below and your own searching. Genus and species names are in italics.

Date:

### Pennsylvania: <u>Download a list of invasive plant species threatening Pennsylvania natural lands here</u> or Invasive Species in Pennsylvania

Asian Longhorned Beetle Purple Loosestrife - *Lythrum salicaria* Plum Pox Virus Zebra Mussel - *Dreissena polymorpha* The Bighead and Silver Carp Common (black & brown) rat - *Rattus norvegicus* Asian tiger mosquito - *Aedes albopictus* Asian Lady Beetle Japanese Beetle Emerald ash borer - *Agrilus planipennis* Brown Marmorated Stinkbug Northern Snakehead fish - *Channa argus* Little (red) Fire Ant - *Wasmannia auropunctat* 

### Insects

Africanize Honeybee (Killer Bee) - *Apis mellifera scutellata* European Gypsy Moth - *Lymantria dispar* 

### **Other Animals**

Giant African land snails - Achatina fulica Cane Toad - Bufo marinus Round Goby - Neogobius melanostomus Bull Frog - Rana catesbeian Brown Tree Snake - Boiga irregularis

### **Plants/Weeds**

Japanese Honeysuckle - *Lonicera japonica* Japanese Knotweed - *Fallopia japonica* Garlic Mustard - *Alliaria petiolata* African Tulip Tree - *Spathodea campanulata* Kudzu - *Pueraria montana var. lobata* 



Argentine ant - *Linepithema humile* Common wasp - *Vespula vulgari*) Gypsy moth - *Lymantria dispar* 

Nutria - *Myocastor coypus* Red Deer - *Cervus elaphus* Rainbow Trout - *Oncorhynchus mykiss* Starling - *Sturnus vulgaris* 

Lantana - *Lantana camara* Strawberry guava - *Psidium cattleianum* Privet - *Ligustrum robustum* Fire Tree - *Myrica faya* 

## Part II. Answer the following questions about your chosen species. You may write notes on this sheet.

- A. Name of species (Common name and Scientific Name)
- B. Aliases (Some species will have multiple common names)
- C. Picture or Description of Invasive Species
- D. Key features or distinguishing characteristics of the species
- E. Date of Introduction
- F. When was it discovered? Was it accidental or on purpose?
- G. Where did it originate? (Did it come from another country?)
- H. Where in the world is it a problem? Locations invaded. (Include a map!)
- I. Damage caused by the invasive species (This is the crime it has committed)
- J. Ways to stop the spread of this invasive species.
- K. Citation Titles of website and address will be fine for this project! (You may also use <u>www.easybib.com</u> to cite)

Part III. You will need to use glogster to create a virtual poster <u>http://edu.glogster.com/</u> (nickname: golenberke1/3/4/7/8, password: casheagles) OR Word, OR Publisher OR create a physical poster.

Part IV. Common Research Websites. Note: YOU MAY NOT USE WIKIPEDIA. **Center for Invasive Species** http://www.invasive.org/ **National Invasive Species Information Center** http://www.invasivespeciesinfo.gov/ Global Invasive Species Database (use the genus and species name to search) http://www.issg.org/database/welcome/ Plants/Weeds http://www.nps.gov/plants/alien/fact.htm **Control of Invasive Species** http://www.actionbioscience.org/biodiversity/simberloff.html#Primer **Invasive Plants of Ohio** http://ohiodnr.com/tabid/2005/Default.aspx Invasive Species Pennsylvania:-Invasive Species in Pennsylvania website Invasive Species in Pennsylvania pdf Top 10 list of invasive species which threaten Pennsylvania Invasive Species – Nature – PBS

### Part V. Rubric and Due Date

Project is Due:\_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF SPECIES: Common Name and Scientific Name are listed	(2)
ALIAS: Other names used for your invasive species	(2)
MUG SHOT: Picture of species	(2)
DESCRIPTION: Color, weight, distinguishing characteristics	(2)
FIRST ARRESTING OFFICER: Date of introduction	(2)
ARREST REPORT: When was it discovered? Was it accidental or deliberate?	(4)
PRIORS: Where did it originate?	(4)
LAST KNOWN WHEREABOUTS: Location(s) invaded. Map included.	(4)
WANTED FOR: These are particular "crimes" of your invasive species.	(4)
MODUS OPERANDI: Damages caused by species	(4)
APPREHENSION: How can it be controlled?	(4)
CREATIVITY: Follows "wanted poster" format	(2)
PLAGIARISM: Written in own words and easy to understand	(2)
CITATIONS: Website and name of website	(2)

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