

NNIS Monitoring at Trailhead Sites in 2015

In 2015, monitoring was conducted at trails and trailheads across the Monongahela National Forest to detect new NNIS infestations in accordance with the Forest-wide Nonnative Invasive Plant Management Project Environmental Assessment. The areas surveyed are located near high probability establishment sites (roads, parking areas) and provide access to sensitive ecosystems and major backcountry areas. Table A displays the areas surveyed by forest personnel in 2015.

Table A. NNIS Monitoring at Trailhead Sites in 2015

Ranger District	Area	Trailhead Name	High Priority NNIS Plants Found	
Cheat-Potomac	Otter Creek	Big Springs Gap (in Fernow Experimental Forest)	Japanese stiltgrass	
Cheat-Potomac		Otter Creek Trail at the Dry Fork River	Japanese barberry Japanese stiltgrass Crown vetch	
Cheat-Potomac		Middle Point Trail at Stuart Knob	None	
Cheat-Potomac		Condon Run Trail at south end of Otter Creek Wilderness	Japanese barberry Morrow's honeysuckle	
Cheat-Potomac	Dolly Sods/Roaring Plains	Red Creek Trail at Laneville	Japanese stiltgrass Wineberry Morrow's honeysuckle	
Cheat-Potomac		Boar's Nest Trail at FR 19	Japanese stiltgrass	
Cheat-Potomac		South Prong/Roaring Plains Trail at Forest Road 19	None	
Cheat-Potomac		Rohrbaugh Trail at Forest Road 19	Japanese stiltgrass	
Cheat-Potomac		Wildlife Trail at Forest Road 75	None	
Cheat-Potomac		Fisher Spring Run Trail at Forest Road 75	None	
Cheat-Potomac		Bear Rocks Trail at Forest Road 75	Spotted knapweed	
Cheat-Potomac		Seneca Creek and vicinity	Horton Trail at State Road 29	Garlic mustard
Cheat-Potomac			Swallow Rock Trail at State Road 29	None
Cheat-Potomac			Elza Trail at State Road 29	None
Cheat-Potomac	Leading Ridge Trail at State Road 29		None	
Cheat-Potomac	Big Run Trail at State Road 29		Crown vetch Garlic mustard Morrow's honeysuckle	
Greenbrier	Laurel Fork and vicinity	Laurel River Trail – north end at State Road 10	None	

Greenbrier		Laurel R. Trail at Laurel Fk. Campground (both directions)	None
Greenbrier		Camp Five Trail at Middle Mountain Cabins	None
Greenbrier		Laurel River Trail – south end at Forest Road 97	None
Greenbrier	Cheat Mountain /Shaver's Mountain	Gaudineer Scenic Area loop trail	None
Greenbrier		Stonecoal Trail at Forest Road 92	None
Greenbrier		Whitmeadow Ridge Trail at Forest Road 92	None
Greenbrier		Crouch Ridge Trail at Forest Road 92	None
Greenbrier		Yokum Ridge Trail Forest Road 92	None
Marlinton-White Sulphur		High Falls Trail at Forest Road 44	None
Marlinton-White Sulphur		Highland Scenic Highway vicinity	Gauley Mountain Trail
Marlinton-White Sulphur	Tea Creek Mountain trail		Crown vetch Tatarian honeysuckle
Marlinton-White Sulphur	North-South Trail		None
Marlinton-White Sulphur	Black Mountain Trail (both ends)		Crown vetch
Marlinton-White Sulphur	Forks of Cranberry Trail		Crown vetch
Gauley	Cranberry vicinity	Cranberry Glades loop trail	Japanese stiltgrass
Marlinton-White Sulphur	Rimel Area	Laurel Creek Trail at Rimel picnic area	Japanese stiltgrass Tatarian honeysuckle
Marlinton-White Sulphur		Two Lick Trail at Pocahontas Campground	None
Marlinton-White Sulphur	White Sulphur District	Blue Bend loop trail	Japanese stiltgrass
Greenbrier	Upper Greenbrier R.	West Fork Rail Trail – south end at Durbin	Japanese barberry Morrow's honeysuckle