Japanese Stiltgrass Mitigation

From the NRSC and NC Invasive Plant Council

Japanese Stilt Grass and a look alike, the Oriental Smartweed are exotic invasive plants (EIPs) that are spreading within Connestee. Both plants are annuals that seed in the fall and grow in the spring. These and other EIPs crowd out native plant species, which starves wildlife that rely on native habitats for survival.

This is what you can do NOW to help stop their spread!

- If the plant has not flowered or seeded, CUT, MOW or WEED TRIM the plant to the ground. (No raking is required.)
- 2. If the flowers or seeds have developed, **HAND PULL** the plant and roots. Be sure to **BAG IT** to prevent seeds from spreading!
- 3. **DISPOSE** of plants where the seeds will not disperse. You can include them in your garbage. Or, there is a designated EIP disposal pit located at the Wanteska debris area. The plants should be dumped from the bag into the designated pit.





You can learn more about these grasses and other priority EIPs on the NRSC website under Invasive Plants.

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