



THE SEVERN RIVER ASSOCIATION

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Phragmites – Coming to your backyard Can anything be done about it?

While development presents a constant man-made threat to water quality in the Chesapeake Bay watershed, there's another threat, created by Mother Nature, one that methodically chokes off and kills our precious wetland areas.

The threat: Phragmites, a reedy wetland grass. It looks bucolic until you realize what it's doing to once-thriving wetland areas.

It's here. What can we do about it? How do we identify it? How does it spread? Can it be controlled, stopped or eradicated?

We'll all learn the answers to these and other questions Tuesday, April 19, during the Severn River Association's (SRA) next Educational Series meeting.

Our speaker will be Dennis Whigham, PhD, Senior Botanist with the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center. Dennis is also the Founding Director, North American Orchid Conservation Center.

The Severn River, unfortunately, is already infested with Phragmites (see picture above). The reed takes over wetland areas. It's root system is so dense and deep, it completely displaces native plants like wild rice, cattails and wetland orchids.

Dennis will discuss the various ways governments and organizations have tried to control and remove phragmites. He'll review the best ways to control its spread.

Come out April 19 to Union Jack's Pub, in Parole, share a meal and learn what we can do to deal with phragmites.

When: Tuesday, April 19. The meeting starts at 7 pm.

Where: Union Jack's Pub, in Parole, 2072 Somerville Rd, (410) 266-5681.

Directions: <http://www.unionjacksannapolis.com>



Treasure The Severn – Visit SRA on Facebook:

The Severn River Association is the oldest river association in the U.S. and Anne Arundel County's only river group in continuous operation since 1911. SRA meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at various locations throughout the Severn River Watershed. The meetings are free. Residents and representatives of community associations are encouraged to attend, get involved and make their opinions on watershed issues known.