

Invasive Plant Species Management Plan

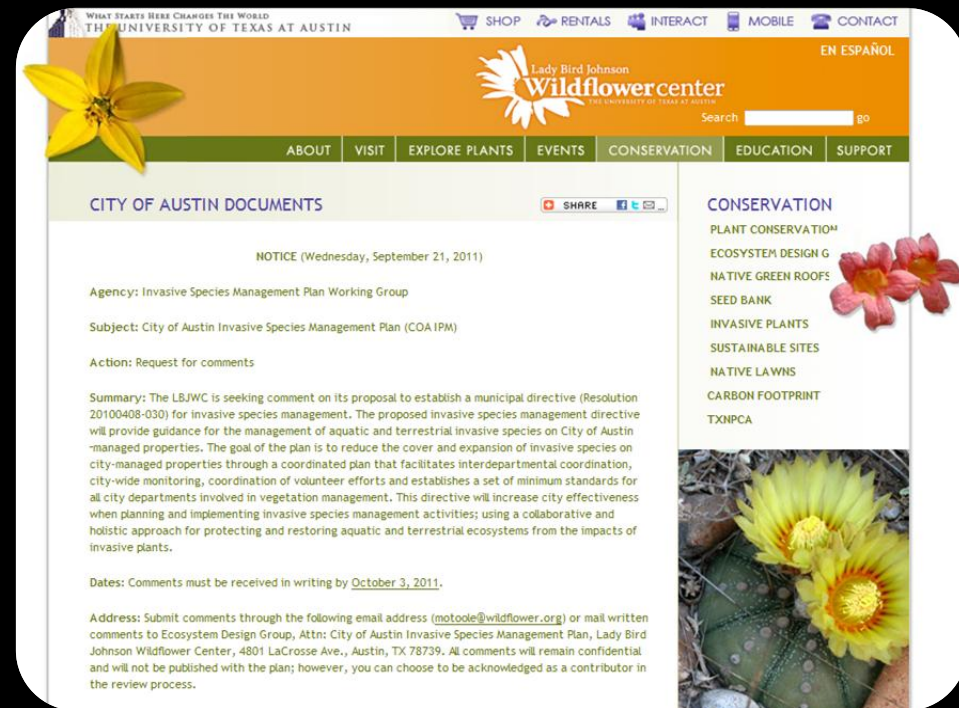
City of Austin, Managed Land and Water Resources

Council Resolution

- Develop municipal plan (2nd nationally)
- Estimate costs of removal/control
- Advocate education, public awareness (Citizen Scientists)
- Encourage collaboration, partnerships
- Develop sustainable funding

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- Facilitate Stakeholder Process
- Multi-departmental and public organizations
- Develop Invasive Species Management Plan



Weblink: http://www.wildflower.org/docs_coa/

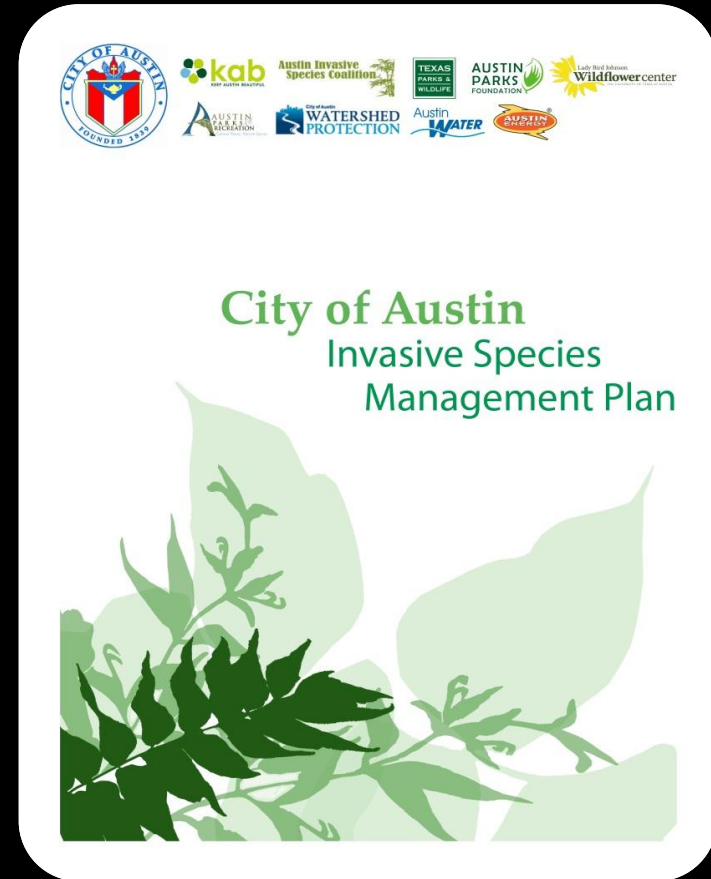
Current Status

September 2011:

- ✓ Completed: Draft Plan (v.2)
- ✓ Completed: Field Resources Book (v.1)
- In progress: Stakeholder Review (20 org.)

October 2011:

- City Board and Commission Review
 - Seek Support
- Complete Review Process
- Complete Final Draft/Resource Book
- Submit Plan (PARD Dir. & City Manager)
- Council Approval



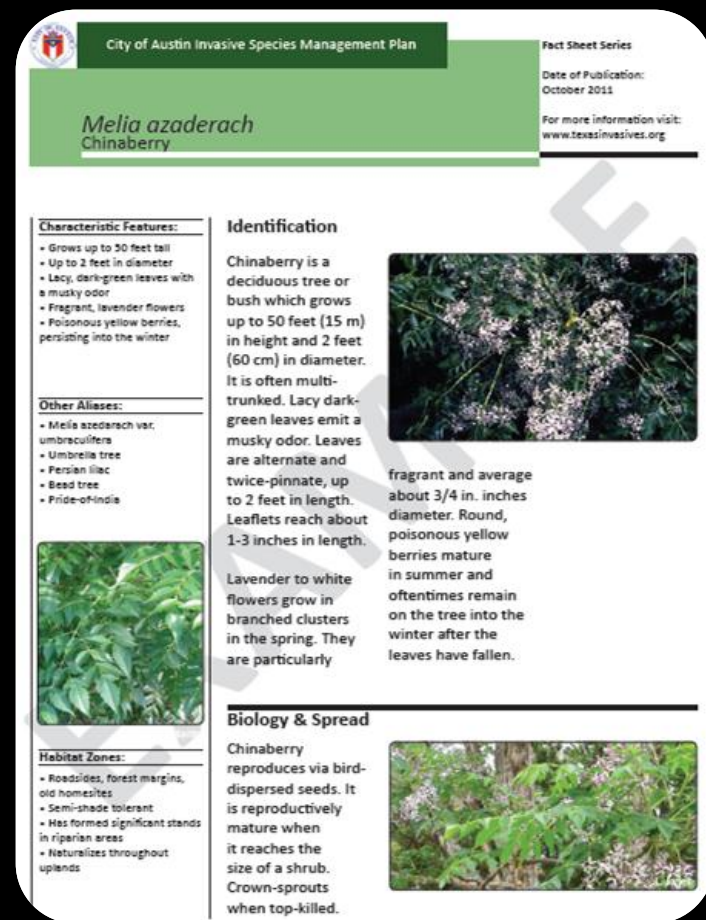
Product (Deliverables)

• Invasive Species Management Plan (Book 1)

- Justification for Plan
- Existing City Programs
- Regional Programs
- Control, Management, & Prioritization
- Five Year Goals
- Costs & Funding Sources

• Field Resources (Book 2)

- Top 24 Invasive Species in Austin
- Best Management Practices
- Specific species information
 - Fact sheets
 - Management protocols



Significance

- City wide municipal plan (2nd nationally)
 - ✓ Model for other cities in Texas
- Forecasted cost estimates for city
 - Direct costs
 - Volunteer contributions
- Funding sources
 - City activities
 - Partnership activities
- Weed risk assessments
 - ✓ Assist in prioritizing limited resources
 - ✓ Provide baseline data for state wide invasive listings



City of Portland, Invasive Plants Strategy Report (2008)