

# Recommendations for Oriental bittersweet (*Celastrus orbiculatus*)

Assessment results based on 12/17/03 meeting:

Impact (0-70.5)	42
Potential for Expansion (0-40)	36
Difficulty of Management (0-58)	30
Value (0-29)	3

Group	Current Status	Recommendation	Need to	Who
<b>Government</b>				
DNR	Live plants not recommended or planted; dried stems possibly being used/recommended in craft projects (state parks, volunteers)	Do not use Oriental bittersweet for craft purposes - use American bittersweet.	Develop educational materials to explain the difference between native and non-native species and get to naturalists	
INDOT	Not recommended or planted			
NRCS	Not recommended or planted			
IDEM	Not recommended or planted			
USFWS	Not recommended or planted			
ACOE	Not recommended or planted			
Federal landholders (DoD, USFS, USFWS, NPS)	Not recommended or planted			
USDA-ARS	Not recommended or planted			
Plant Material Centers	Not recommended or planted			
Coop Extension Service - Forage	Not recommended or planted			
Coop Extension Service - Horticulture	Dried stems possibly being used/recommended in craft projects	Do not use Oriental bittersweet for craft purposes - use American bittersweet.	Develop educational materials to explain the difference between native and non-native species	
County government (SWCDs, drainage boards, surveyors)	Not recommended or planted			
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<b>Nursery Professionals and Landscape Architects</b>				
	Available through wholesalers in midwest	Do not sell live plants or dried stems and do not use in decorations for sale; instead, carry the native species for sale and use it in decorations.		
<b>Gardening Public</b>				
	Currently both native and non-native are being purchased and planted	Do not use non-native in landscaping; use the native instead		
<b>Botanic Gardens and Arboreta</b>				
	Found in some botanic gardens (Chicago Botanic Garden)	Eliminate plantings of it		
<b>Other - Craft suppliers and hobbyists</b>				
Garden Clubs	Using dried stems in wreaths, etc.	Stop using it; use American bittersweet instead		
Craft hobbyists	Using dried stems in wreaths, etc.	Stop using it; use American bittersweet instead		
Florists	Using dried stems in wreaths, etc.	Stop using it; use American bittersweet instead		
Craft/hobby shows at State Fair, Flower and Patio Show (HIS runs this)	Using dried stems in wreaths, etc.	Stop using it; use American bittersweet instead		
Martha Stewart or her Hoosier equivalent	Using dried stems in wreaths, etc.	Stop using it; use American bittersweet instead		