



The Natives are coming!!!!

**2012 Shaw Series: Invasive
Plant Identification & Control**

Who?

- Established in 1988, Pizzo & Associates, Ltd. is a Certified HUB Zone Ecological Restoration *contractor*.

What?

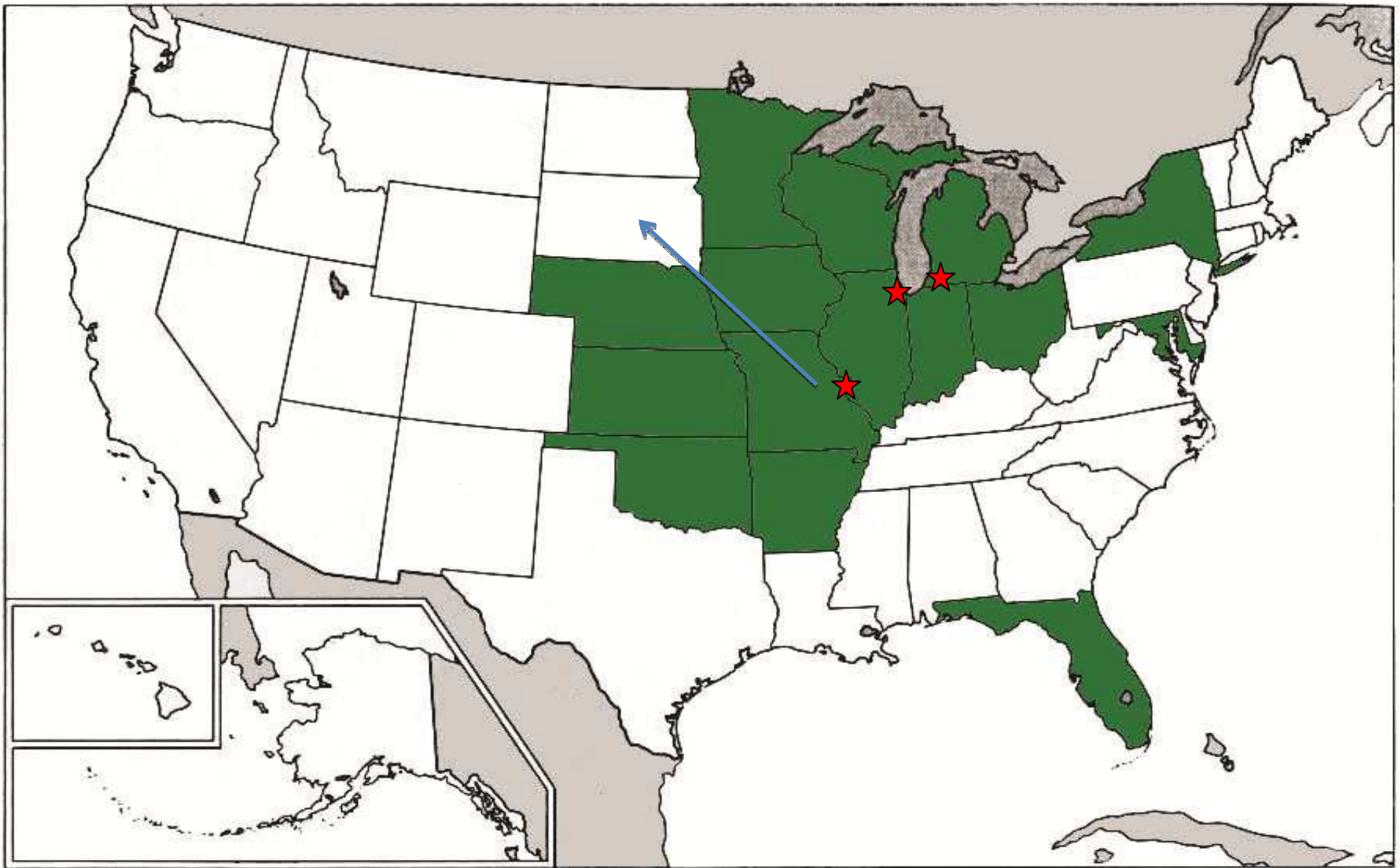
- Our core focus is the restoration, creation and stewardship of sustainable landscapes and natural areas using native vegetation.

Associated Companies...



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Pizzo Project History
17 states since 1988

Office locations in Chicago, St. Louis, MO and
Three Oaks, MI



Weeds have a leg up!



Misrepresentation of a Natural Area
This is a stand of annual weeds

Situations like this re-enforce the perception that sustainable landscapes are weedy.



Good Ecology is Beautiful!

What to Expect:

- 40 Slides
- 20 Seconds per slide
- 800 Seconds
- 13.33 Minutes
- You will become a better educated consumer of open space
- Questions welcome - Stop me anytime

U.S. Drought Monitor

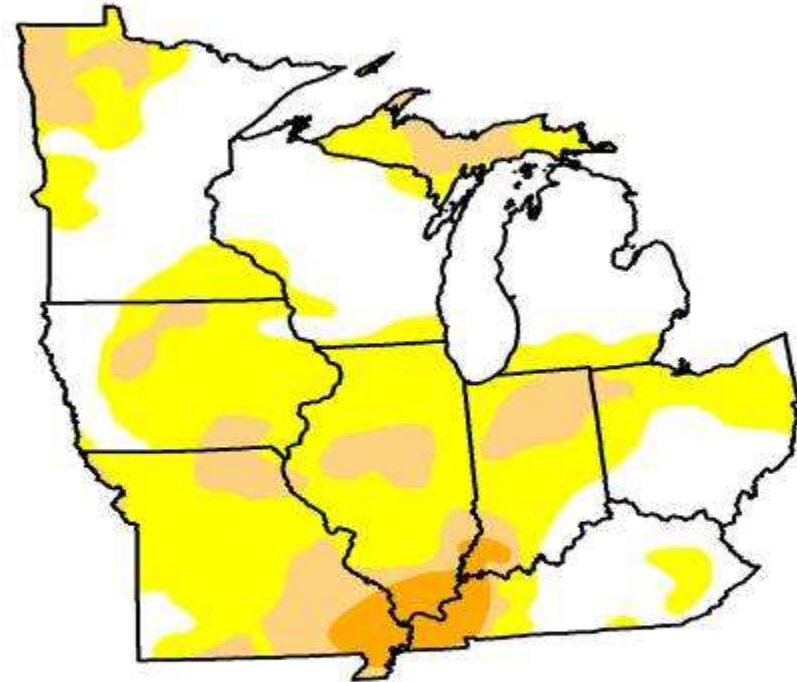
Midwest

June 12, 2012
Valid 7 a.m. EST

	Drought Conditions (Percent Area)					
	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	39.70	60.30	18.54	3.51	0.00	0.00
Last Week (06/05/2012 map)	46.95	53.05	12.87	2.33	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago (03/13/2012 map)	71.82	28.18	20.02	6.32	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year (12/27/2011 map)	71.84	28.16	13.42	6.80	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year (09/27/2011 map)	58.85	41.15	14.01	5.03	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago (06/07/2011 map)	98.82	1.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

 D0 Abnormally Dry	 D3 Drought - Extreme
 D1 Drought - Moderate	 D4 Drought - Exceptional
 D2 Drought - Severe	



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.



<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>

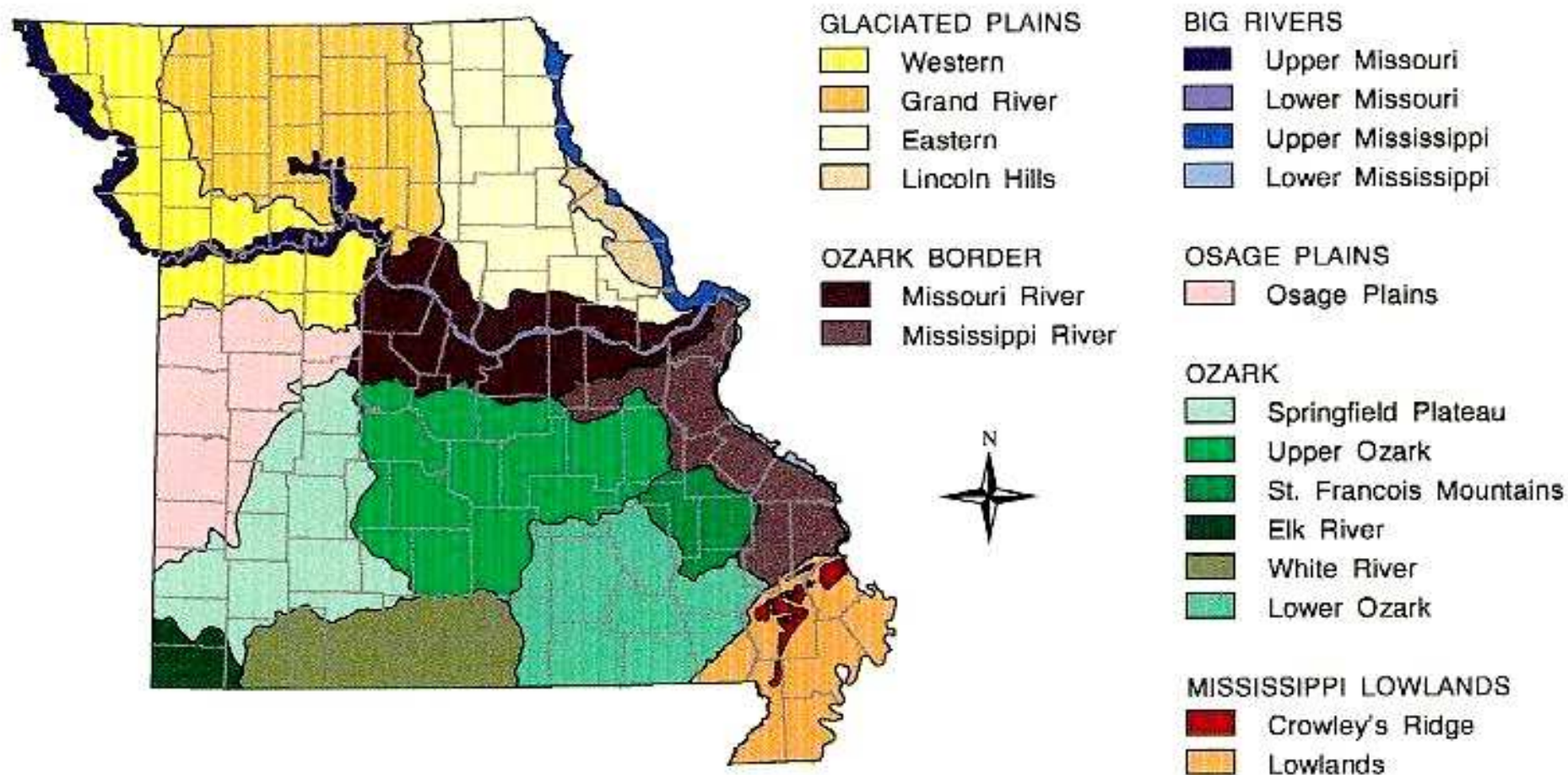
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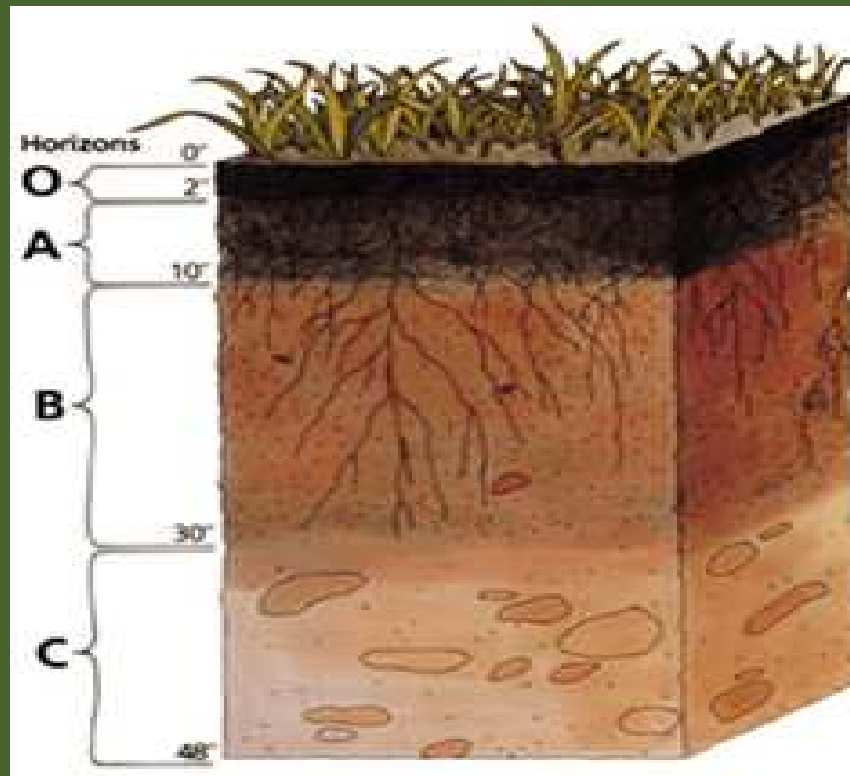
David Miskus, NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Climate Prediction Center



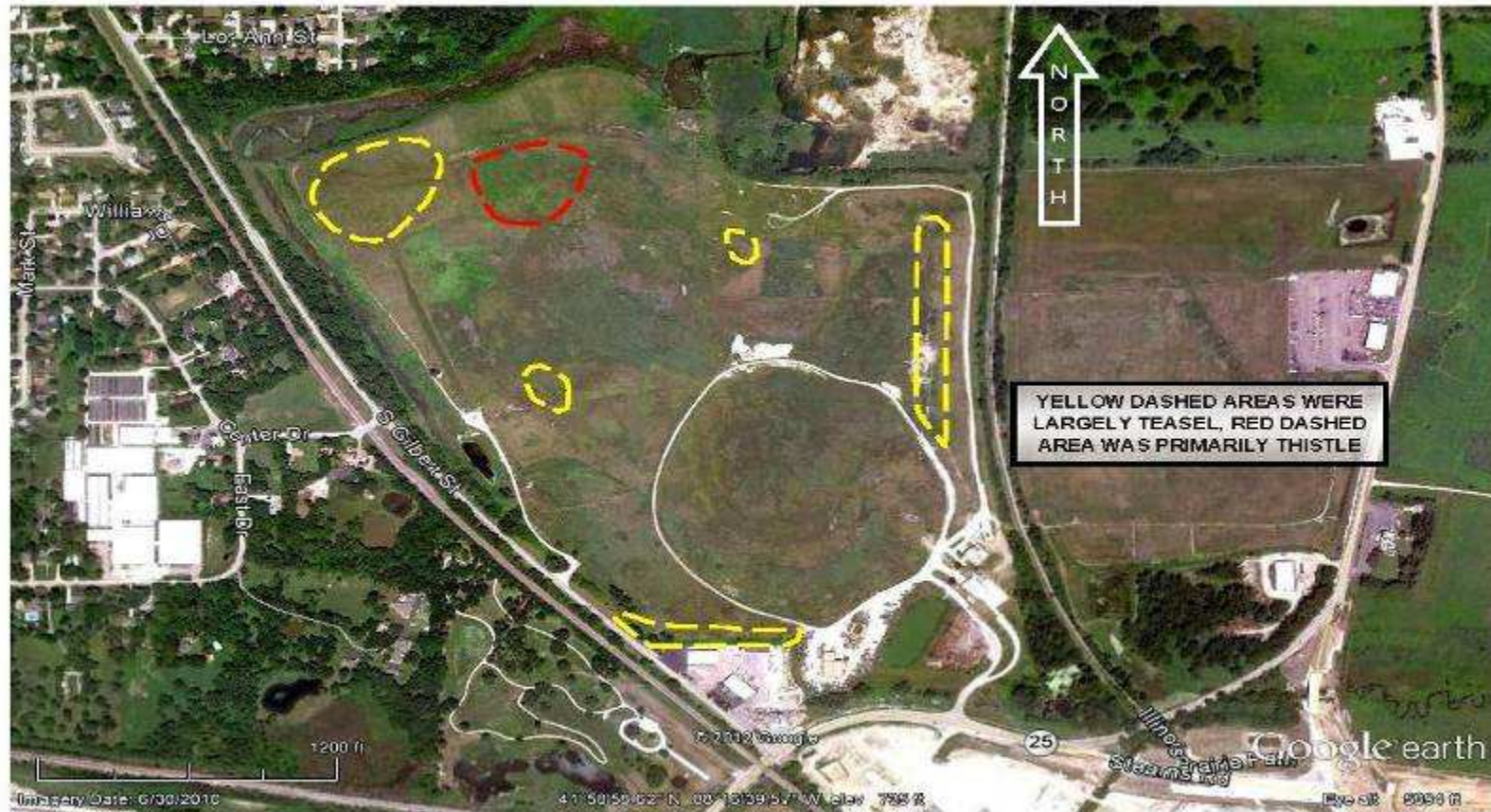
It's getting dry out there..... variability about the mean.

The NATURAL DIVISIONS of Missouri and Their Sections





Month	Visits by Crew	Herbicide	Brush Clearing	Mow	Collect & Disperse	Burn Prep	Burn **
April	0-1	X	X			X	
May	1-2	X	X	X	X	X	
June	1-2	X		X	X		
July	1-2	X		X			
August	1-2	X		X			
September	0-1	X		X			
October	1-2	X	X	X	X	X	
November	0-1	X	X		X	X	
December through March	0-1	X	X		X	X	



WOODLAND LANDFILL, SOUTH ELGIN – Herbicide application conducted on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 and Friday, October 28, 2011



Animal husbandry at its' very finest







Cattails & Loosestrife



Buckthorn



Garlic Mustard



