

## **ECS Lunch and Learn Chat Log**

### **February 10, 2021**

**[11:08 AM] Sharon Lam**

Hi everyone, thank you for joining us! If you have any questions for our speakers, please feel free to type your questions in the Chat throughout the presentation. Thanks!

**[11:09 AM] Brad Stephens**

DSV is crazy!

**[11:10 AM] Larissa Mohan**

Are these all the species planted and seeded? Is this a comprehensive list? Or just an example.

(1 liked)

**[11:10 AM] Chris Cormack**

Just an example. The list is much longer

(1 liked)

**[11:11 AM] Gavin Miller**

I am wondering if there's a way of linking the soil sample data to our ELC polygons from 2018 (and our LTMPs)?

(2 liked)

**[11:16 AM] Don Ford**

good to know the young lad was working!

**[11:27 AM] Gavin Miller**

Thistle doesn't persist in the long term although it is terrible for both woody and herbaceous plantings for the first several years. Eventually gets outcompeted by tall goldenrod.

(1 liked)

DSV is different.

**[11:28 AM] Ryan Stephenson**

Has there been any return to the thought of using goats to manage the thistle?

(1 liked)

**[11:28 AM] Shirin Varzgani**

Do goats eat this stuff?

**[11:29 AM] Ryan Stephenson**

I believe goats can be trained from birth to eat thistle. Then used to graze areas.

(1 liked) Edited

**[11:29 AM] Gavin Miller**

Borax is an element. It won't break down. Not a great idea.

Boron, I mean, which forms the main ion.

**[11:30 AM] Bruna Peloso**

wouldn't goats eat non-target species as well though?

**[11:30 AM] Steve Heuchert**

This is such an amazing project. I cycled the route during last year's covid summer and it was one of the highlights of my summer exploring the city - the meadows are so functional yet very aesthetically pleasing too, which I think is part of the key of getting residents to embrace re-wilding projects.

(10 liked)

**[11:32 AM] Ryan Stephenson**

Bruna, I believe once they are trained to eat thistle they focus heavily on that species but I imagine it can happen. Not too sure! Goats also aerate and fertilize as they go. (laugh)

(2 liked)

**[11:37 AM] Gavin Miller**

Are there published papers about how milkweed can compete successfully and suppress DSV?

**[11:38 AM] Katharine McCarter**

I'm assuming you can't do any control burns?

**[11:39 AM] David Lawrie**

Is hydro going to spray and clean their machines before they enter the meadow way for servicing not only now but in the long term

(3 liked)

**[11:41 AM] Gavin Miller**

A few people went to look at seed sources with me last summer, e.g. at Glen Major. It was a difficult summer for seed set - was there any success in seed collection?

**[11:46 AM] Rick Portiss**

this has the potential of being a regional destination as well as local. is there plans to accommodate?  
eg. parking, trail heads

**[11:47 AM] Jehan Zeb**

while walking through Hydro corridor in Mississauga this winter witnessed a citizen doing some work on land forming. Probably preparing for community farming.

**[11:48 AM] Cindy Barr**

Have other municipalities asked for a similar program.

(1 liked)

**[11:49 AM] David Lawrie**

Has there been a decision about city maintenance of the trails and the use of salt

**[11:51 AM] Gavin Miller**

The salt will get into ground water too.

(5 liked)

**[11:56 AM] Harsimrat Pruthi**

Thank you.

**[11:56 AM] Shirin Varzgani**

thanks so much

**[11:56 AM] Ryan Stephenson**

Thank you! Great work everyone!

**[11:56 AM] Larissa Mohan**

Thank-you!

**[11:56 AM] Nasim Shakouri**

Thank you

**[11:56 AM] Don Little**

Thank you!

**[11:56 AM] Natalie Hryshko**

Thank you!

**[11:56 AM] Matthew Frascchetti**

Thank you!

**[11:57 AM] Brynn Coey**

thanks!

**[11:57 AM] Rivka Shachak**

Thank you

**[11:57 AM] Marco Haust**

thank you

**[11:57 AM] Zack Carlan**

thanks meadoway team!

**[11:57 AM] Jessica Fang**

Great presentation! Thank you!