

Comparison of Exotic Invasive Plant Presence in Three Areas in the North Carolina Mountains

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Abstract

Invasive and exotic plant species are a major concern when it comes to protecting native plant species. Invasive plant species presence varies from place to place because all plants prefer different climates and environments. In this analysis, many plant species were studied and identified; from this information, the invasive and exotic species were identified. A comparison of invasive and exotic species presence was performed at three different sites. The results showed that there was minimal difference in invasive plant species presence between the three sites, although there was quite a difference between numbers when it came to exotic plant presence.