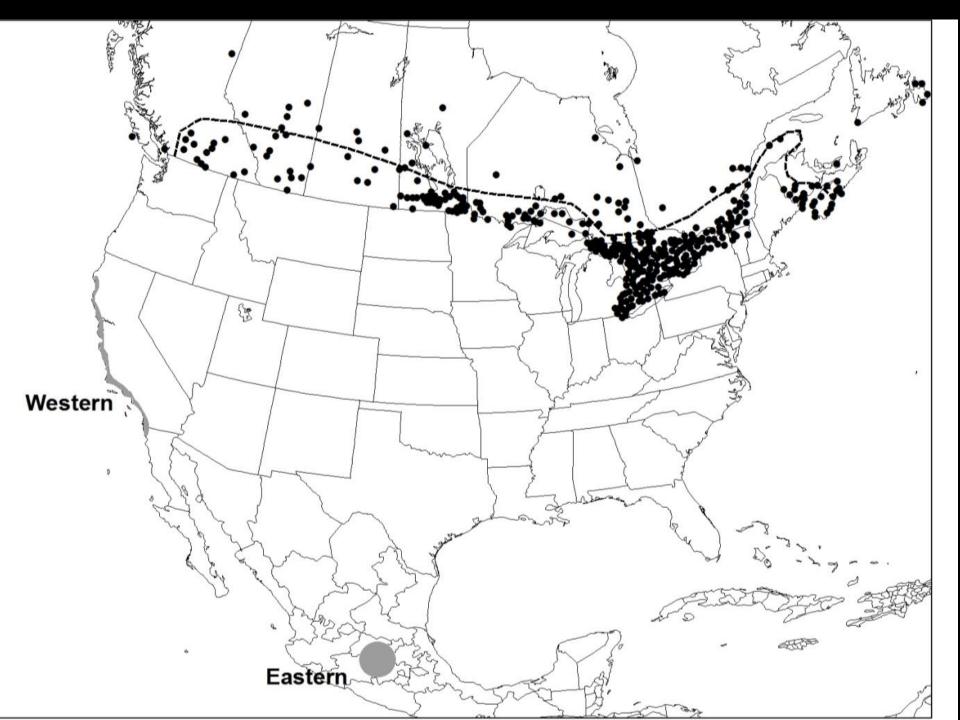


### **Monarch Habitat Restoration**

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- Monarch currently listed as Special Concern within our endangered species legislation
- Monarch butterfly listed as endangered by COSEWIC in 2016
- Government of Canada in process of making listing decision – not expected before federal election of 2019

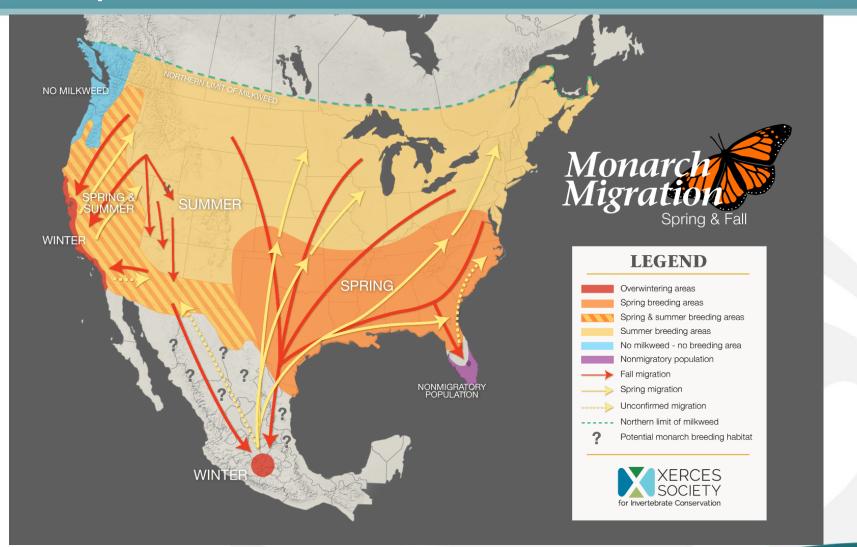


### Threats to Breeding Habitat in Canada

Threat	Level of Concern	Severity
Widespread use of herbicides	High	High
Widespread use of pesticides	Medium	Medium
Succession/ Conversion of breeding/nectaring habitat	Medium-low	Unknown



### Why Monarchs?

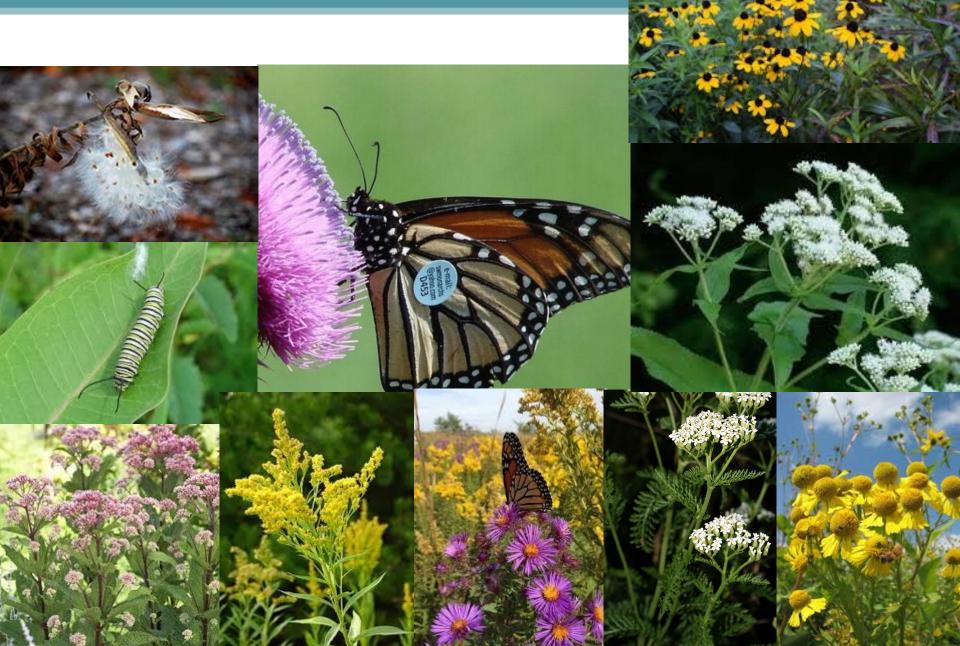




### Addressing Habitat Restoration



### **Meadow Habitat**



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### Our Partners



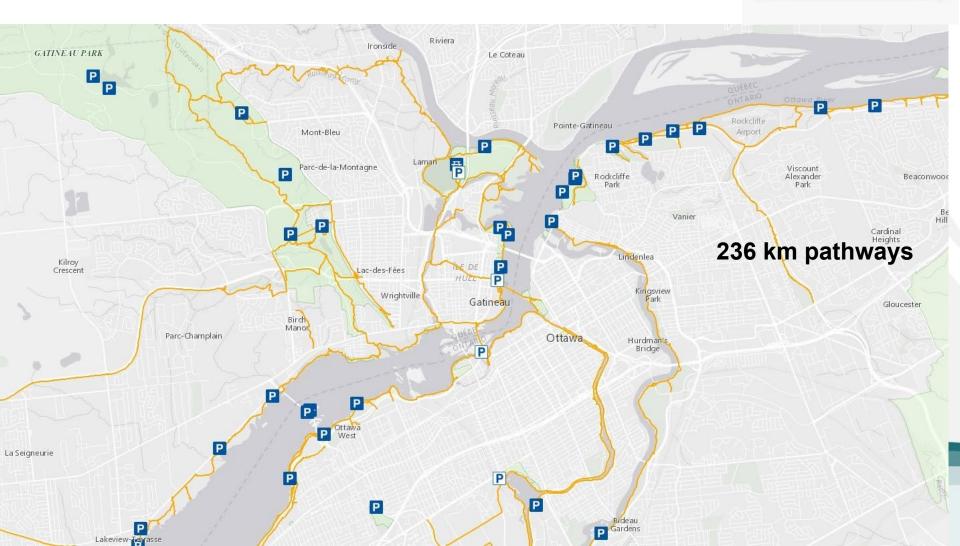




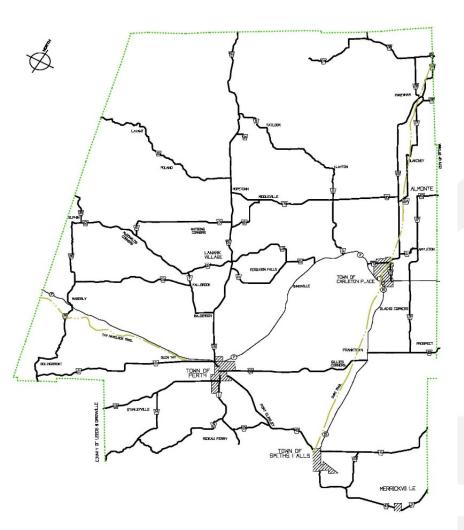


### Connectivity





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• 562 km of roadways



### Connectivity

hydro

# • 30,000 km hydro line corridors



### The Challenge of Invasive Species





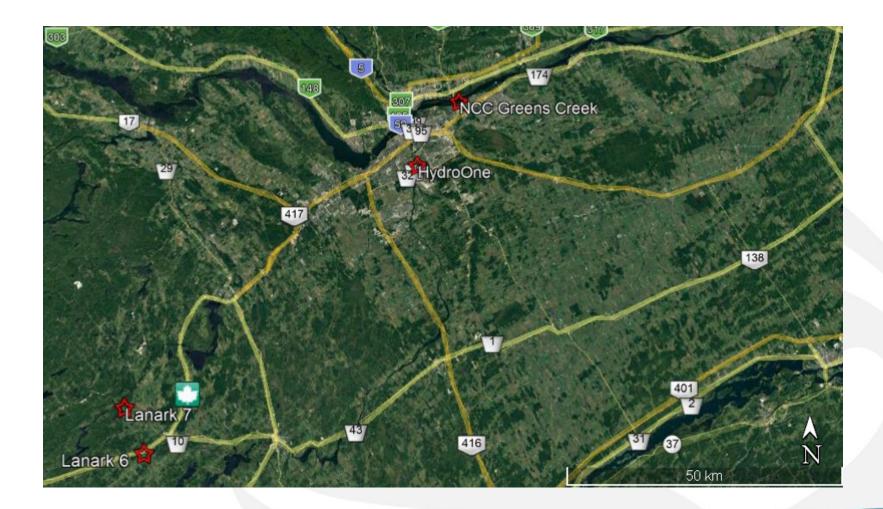
### Habitat Restoration for Monarch

Our Objectives:

- Create three Monarch restoration sites on roadsides & rights-of-way
- Experiment with preparing and planting sites using different methods
- Document relative costs and ecological benefits
- Communicate results with land managers



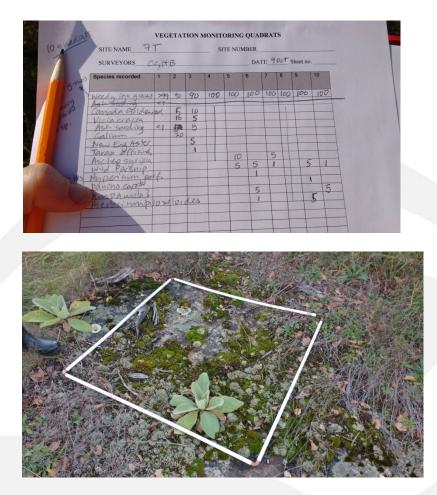
### Our Sites





### **Vegetation Monitoring**







### Seed collection and site preparation







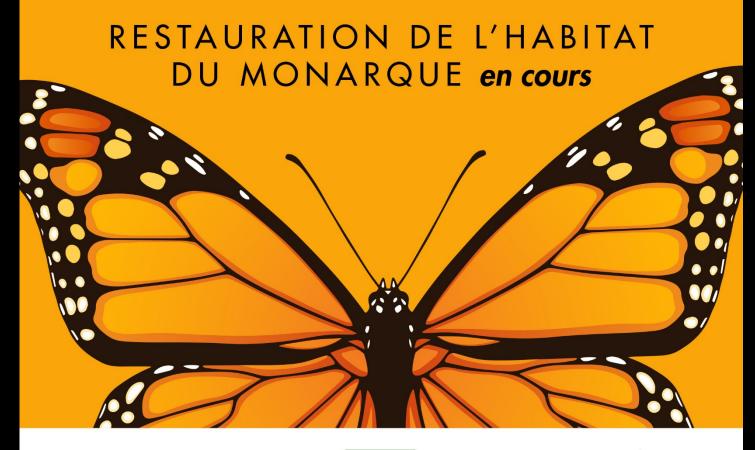


### Open for Learning

- Expertise on native meadow habitat restoration in presence of aggressive alien invasive plant
- How to build markets for native plant seeds
- Most efficient ways to scale up restoration
- Funding



### MONARCH HABITAT RESTORATION *in progress*













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