Invasive Alert

Berberis thunbergii
Japanese Barberry

Description:
A deciduous shrub growing to 6 feet with arching branches of orange foliage comprised of small yellow flowers produce bright red orange berries

Control:
A decision method of controlling barberry is by hand pulling or digging early in the season. The primary method of controlling barberry is by

Alerts:
Under each leaf cluster located near the main stems and two to three short spurs. It is not invasive and is distinguishable by having common barberry (Berberis vulgaris), which ends in each spire.

History:
extracted seeds of the Japanese barberry
Taken from Japan to the SE Persia plant Botanic Garden

The Problem:
Because of its smaller flower size, full color, and abundance in yards, gardens, and home landscapes, the barberry has become very popular among home gardeners. Barberry's flowers bloom in early March. It is in the Berberidaceae family and has been used as a garden ornamental in Japan, Europe, and the United States. The barberry has several species, each with different characteristics.

The seeds dispersed by birds have spread it from

Problems:
Fresh Berberis fruits hang low in sun or shade. The barberry's berries are an excellent food source for birds and other wildlife. The barberry's flowers attract butterflies and other pollinators. The barberry is known for its hardy nature and ability to thrive in a variety of soil conditions.