

ASIAN BUSH HONEYSUCKLES: THEIR HISTORY, BIOLOGY, ECOLOGY AND CONTROL. Ron Rathfon, Purdue University.

Asian bush honeysuckles (*Lonicera maackii*, *L. morrowii*, and *L. tartarica*) have proved extremely invasive in eastern hardwood forests. In addition to displacing native forest ground flora and associated fauna, these understory shrubs pose a threat to forest regeneration. Effective control strategies need to be developed to incorporate into routine silvicultural prescriptions for affected stands. The history of the Asian bush honeysuckles' introduction and spread in North America, their biology and ecology, as well as control options will be presented.