

## Quick Facts

- **Description:** 1-3 main stems, leaves are hairy & deeply twice or more divided, reproduce by seeds & rhizomes
- **Flowers:** bloom from late June through August, yellow “daisy type” flower head comprised of numerous small flowers, disk flowers form majority of flower head, ray flowers around outer rim of head
- **Habitat:** active & stabilized dunes, beach systems
- **Status:** Threatened

Have you heard of the Lake Huron Tansy? This beautiful plant is found on the northern shores of Lakes Michigan and Huron and the southeast shores of Lake Superior, and even on islands in northern Lake Michigan. The Lake Huron Tansy inhabits active and stabilized dunes, as well as beach systems, and it can withstand wave action when water levels are higher.

The Lake Huron Tansy is listed as threatened in Michigan due to a variety of factors. One of the threats to this species is the destruction or disturbance of its natural habitat, which can be caused by foot traffic, recreation activities and shoreline development. Another major threat faced by the Lake Huron Tansy is invasive species, including spotted knapweed and baby’s breath, which have invaded the coastal dunes after disturbances have taken place.

Because the Lake Huron Tansy is threatened there are a number of management practices and methods that can be used to protect it. We can conserve the remaining habitat available and strive to create more, and this can be done by limiting further development and recreational activities in the existing habitat. Another method is to remove the invasive species that are present and continuing to monitor for new invasions. To learn more about the Lake Huron Tansy visit [http://mnfi.anr.msu.edu/abstracts/botany/tanacetum\\_huronense.pdf](http://mnfi.anr.msu.edu/abstracts/botany/tanacetum_huronense.pdf).



**Did you know?** The Lake Huron Tansy is not the only native species in its coastal dune habitat that is threatened by invasive species. The work to remove invasive species from our native habitats throughout Michigan benefits numerous local species and can boost outdoor recreation activities.

**How can you get involved?** You can support conservation efforts in Michigan by donating to the Nongame Wildlife Fund, and you can learn more at [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr). Another opportunity is by volunteering at events with local environmental organizations like Huron Pines. To learn more about how you can get involved visit [www.huronpines.org](http://www.huronpines.org).

