

Wisconsin's Progress on the ISMP

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Workshops

- Promote the AIS Resource Handbook
 - Developed by DNR in coordination with UW Sea Grant and UW Extension
 - Lists AIS resources (people, website, other)
 - Info on AIS management and control programs
 - Info on educational programs
 - Empowers conservation district managers and Lake Association members

Workshops

- 4 workshops
- Fall 2005
- Attended by over 140 people
- 111 entities, agencies or regional offices
- Followed up with a grant-writing workshop

WI AIS Program

- Watercraft Inspection
- Clean Boats – Clean Waters
- Monitoring
- Purple Loosestrife Biocontrol
- Research
- AIS Grants
 - Education, prevention and planning
 - Early detection and rapid response
 - Controlling established populations

Watercraft Inspection

- Inspection of boats and instruction on AIS prevention steps
- Involves the clean boats clean water volunteers, UW Extension, Sea Grant and DNR staff
- Staff: 9652 hours, inspected 27,308 boats, contacted 51,635 boaters
- Volunteers: 6,868 hours, 9,137 boats, 26,850 boaters

Signage

- Posted 285 AIS advisory signs
- 126 Help Prevent signs
- 334 Stop signs

AIS Monitoring

- Zebra mussels
 - 74 inland lakes, 24 rivers/stream
- Eurasian Watermilfoil
 - 426 lakes, 49 rivers/streams
- Spiny waterfleas
 - Fishhook waterflea in 1 lake
- Rusty crayfish
 - 430 waters
- *Cylindrospermopsis*
 - 10 lakes

Purple Loosestrife Biocontrol

- 6.97 million *Galerucella* beetles raised and released
- 13,000 collected and released
- 290 total sites
- 259 citizen groups

Research

- UW Center for Limnology - \$52,700
 - Data management for AIS in Wisconsin
 - Rusty crayfish predictive model
 - Rainbow smelt predictive model
 - Spiny waterflea predictive model

AIS Grants

- Categories:
 - Education, prevention and planning
 - Early detection and rapid response
 - Controlling established populations
- FY06 allocation = \$1 million
- All sound proposals were funded
- FY07 allocation will be \$1.5 million