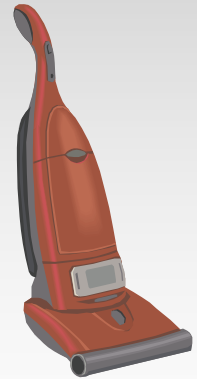


Ohio Aquatic Invasive Species Committee



A **rebus** is a puzzle that consists of pictures of objects which by the sound of their names suggest words or phrases.



Back To The Future

This is not a new group

- Group started in late 1990 and disbanded in early 2000
- Fred Schneider (Ohio Sea Grant) suggested reforming group
- First meeting in April 2008 (2 year anniversary)
- Five meetings to date



Membership

- About 40 members
- Average about 20 at meetings



Who Do We Represent ?

- Government (ODNR, USFWS, USCG, OEPA, USFS, USDA)
- Industry (Aquaculture/Bait, Plants, Shipping, Zoos, Consultants)
- NGO's (OEC, TNC, GLFC, GLC, CMNH)
- Outreach (Ohio Sea Grant)
- Academia (Ohio State)
- Recreation (SCUBA, Fishing, Boating)

Meeting Format

Keynote Speaker

- Ohio Sea Grant – AIS Overview
- Ohio EPA – Vessel Permits
- USCG – Ballast Water Program
- OSU – Freshwater Mussels
- DOW – Ohio Invasive Plant Council



Action Items

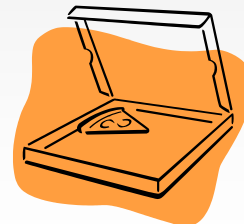
- Reviewing Ohio's SMP
- Membership
- Rapid Response Plan
- DOW Web Site
- GLRI Funding



Open Forum



Lunch



Accomplishments

Ohio's State Management Plan for AIS

The Strategy

- Keep it simple
- Accomplishable



The Plan

- Objectives
- Strategies (5)
- Actions (25)



The Strategies

- Leadership (3) – Develop Partnerships
- Prevention (5) – Keep Them Out
- Monitoring (7) – Where Are They
- Control (6) – Kill Them
- Research/Education (4) – Get The Word Out

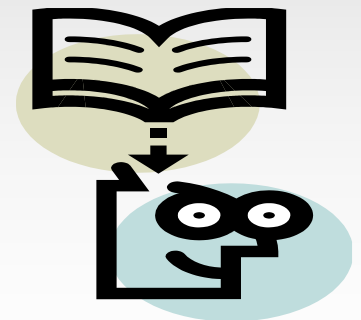


Accomplishments

Great Lakes Restoration Initiative

Picked 15 actions that could be reasonably accomplished

- **Prevention (90K):** Pathway Analysis, and Industry BMP's
- **Early Detection and Monitoring (90K):** Surveys and Tracking
- **Control (550K):** Invasive Control and Rapid Response
- **Education (60K):** I/E for Public and Decision Makers



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Aquatic Invasive Species



WHAT IS IT?



WHAT'S NEW

HOW DO I KNOW IF I FOUND AN AIS?

HOW CAN I HELP?

I FOUND AN AIS, WHO SHOULD I CALL?

WHERE ARE AIS IN OHIO?

WHERE DO I TAKE UNWANTED EXOTIC PETS?

NEW AIS LEGISLATION



HURTING OHIO

ECONOMIC IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

IMPACT TO HUMAN HEALTH

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ANS Task Force Experts Directory

Authorized Users:

Username

Password

This database was designed to direct users to invasive species experts. It has been set up as a 2-tier system with the first tier accessible to the public. The public portion of the database will guide you to a state contact who acts as a filter for information and identifications. If they can't answer your question, these state contacts have the ability to log in to the second tier experts.

Search the Invasive Species Experts Database:

Choose a state where the specimen was found:

State:

If you have any questions regarding the Experts database or would like to be added as an expert, please contact david_britton@fws.gov

Other Resources for Taxonomic Experts

- [TRED](#) (Taxonomic Resources and Expertise Directory)
- [DAISIE](#) (European Alien Invasive Species Expertise Registry)
- NOAA's Taxonomic Cadre



Habitattitude™

PROTECT OUR ENVIRONMENT
DO NOT RELEASE FISH AND AQUATIC PLANTS

An ANS Task Force Partnership Representing the Pet Industry
Joint Advisory Council, The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and
the NOAA National Sea Grant College Program

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Habitattitude – Adopt a conservation mentality. Protect our environment by not releasing un- wanted fish and aquatic plants.

Welcome to a site for aquarium hobbyists, backyard pond owners, water gardeners and others who are concerned about aquatic resource conservation. Americans enjoy a diversity of hobbies, many of which involve our natural environment. And protecting these resources is an important part of our overall enjoyment.

A concern we must all address is the expansion of harmful plants, fish and other animals throughout our country. Representing one of our greatest natural resource challenges, stopping the spread of these species appears simplistic, but global economic linkages complicate the issue. A variety of commercial and governmental activities have accidentally introduced aquatic invasive species and various aquatic resource users and consumers unknowingly spread them to other waters. If these species become established, they can wreak environmental havoc, degrade aquatic resources and make waters unusable for recreation.

This issue is relevant to everyone, but especially to those who enjoy aquaria, backyard ponds and water gardens. Increased scrutiny on our activities and their perceived linkages with the growing challenge known



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HOW CAN I HELP?

As Americans, we love to spend time on the water. Protecting these resources is an important part of our overall enjoyment. A concern we must all address is the spreading of harmful plants, animals and other organisms. These aquatic nuisance species can hitch a ride on our clothing, boats, and items used in the water. When we go to another lake or stream, the nuisance species can be released. And, if the conditions are right, these introduced species can become established and create drastic results.

So what can we do? By following a simple procedure each time we leave the water, we can stop aquatic hitchhikers. Knowing which waters contain nuisance hitchhikers is not as important ---- as doing the procedure every time we leave any lake, stream or coastal area:

How can I help as....

A BOATER?

AN ANGLER ?

A BAIT HARVESTER
OR USER ?

A HUNTER OR
DOG OWNER?

AN AQUARIUM
OR PET OWNER?

A SWIMMER?

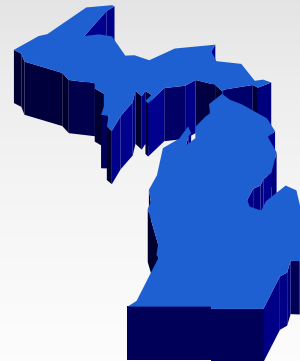
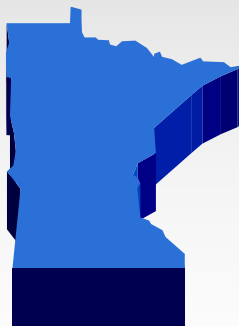
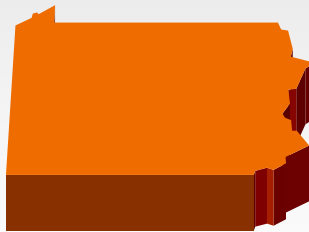
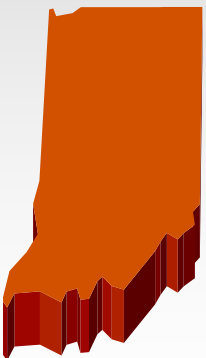
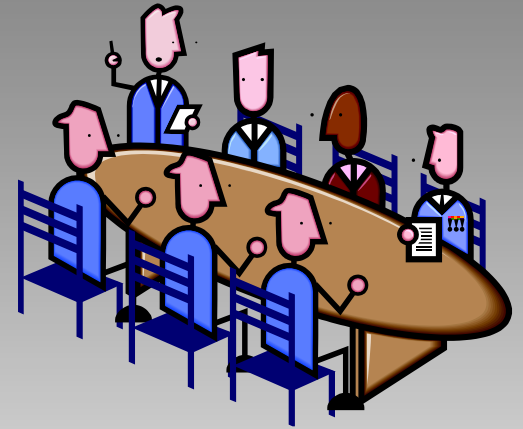
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Do Other States/Provinces Have Similar Groups?

- Indiana Invasive Species Council
- Pennsylvania Invasive Species Council
- Minnesota Invasive Species Advisory Council
- Michigan Aquatic Nuisance Species Council
- Quebec Interdepartmental Committee on Invasive Species

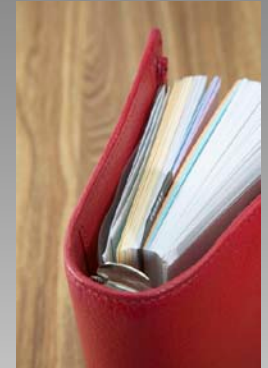


How Do These Groups Operate

Frequency/Length



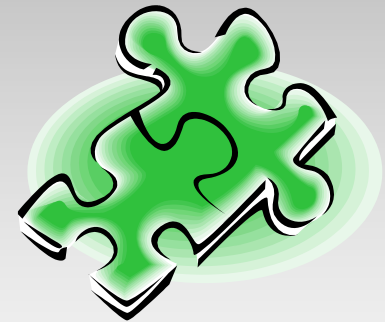
Meeting Format



Membership



Group Dynamics



Groups

Authority



Other Input

