# Invasive Species Councils Round Table

#### Indiana

- Year Established: 2009
- Membership Composition: University member, state department of agriculture, state department of transportation, state veterinarian-Board of Animal Heath, DNR aquatic invasive rep-Division of Fish and Wildlife, DNR terrestrial invasive rep – Division of Entomology and plant pathology, research, industry representation, local government and conservation land trust.
- Focus: Both Terrestrial and Aquatic (all taxa)
- Authority: Legislatively mandated invasive species council (Indiana code- IC 15-16-10)
- Lead Agency: Established within the Purdue University School of Agriculture, acting as secretary of the Council.

# Michigan

- Year Established: established December 2011, recommendations submitted August 2013, repealed December 21, 2015
- Membership Composition: Membership composition included in statute. Members appointed by the Governor and legislature: State agencies, National Park Service, tribes, industries, business association, university, utility, conservation organization, the Great Lakes Commission, etc.
- Focus: Aquatic. Recommendations on a variety of topics: Michigan's AIS State Management Plan, the definition of AIS, organisms in trade, ballast water, Phragmites control.
- Authority: state law- Part 414 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act
- Lead Agency: Michigan Department of Environmental Quality

#### Minnesota

- Year Established: 2001 with roots that extend to 1990
- Membership Composition: State, federal, tribal, and local organizations, non-profit, industry representatives that are involved in management, research, education, and policy regarding invasive species.
- Focus: All taxa
- Authority: Minnesota's multi-agency invasive species task force reformulated itself into the advisory council we have today
- Lead Agency: Initially Minnesota Department of Agriculture and Department of Natural Resources; currently rotating among member organizations

### **New York**

- Year Established:2008
- Membership Composition: DEC, Transportation, Education, Parks, Secretary of State, New York State Thruway, Canal Corporation, Agriculture and Markets, and the Adirondack Park Agency
- Focus: All taxa
- Authority: Legislative
- Lead Agency: DEC and Agriculture and Markets

## Ohio

- Year Established: 2008
- Membership Composition: Federal, State, and Local Government Agencies, Zoos, NGO's, Private Industry, Universities
- Focus: Aquatic (all taxa)
- Authority: The group was formed by ODNR and Ohio Sea Grant but has no "official" status
- Lead Agency: ODNR, Ohio Sea Grant, and The Ohio State University

# Pennsylvania

- Year Established: 2004
- Membership Composition: 7 PA state agency heads (or designees), and 10 members of the public representing agriculture and natural resource organizations and educational institutions conducting nonnative invasive species research and outreach. The members of the public will be appointed by and serve 2-year terms at the pleasure of the Governor
- Focus: aquatic and terrestrial- a number of species are identified as species of concern by the council, although regulation of invasive species is left to the member agencies
- Authority: Executive Order 2004-1 of Governor Ed Rendell for the purposes of advising the Governor, creating invasive species mgt. plans and coordinating management efforts.
- Lead Agency: Department of Agriculture

#### Wisconsin

- Year Established: 2001
- Membership Composition: State agencies, Industry representatives (public & private)
- Focus:
  - The council makes recommendations to the department regarding:
    - A system for classifying invasive species.
    - A procedure for awarding cost sharing grants to control invasive species.
  - The council also conducts studies of issues related to controlling invasive species. Wisconsin law requires the Council to address:
    - The effect of the state's bait industry on the introduction and spread of invasive species.
    - The effect of the state's pet industry on the introduction and spread of invasive species.
    - The acquisition of invasive species through mail order and Internet sales.
    - Other issues as determined by the council.
- Authority: Wisconsin State Statutes; 23.22
- Lead Agency: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

## Quebec

- Year Established: 2011
- Membership Composition: Federal and provincial representatives, industry, NGO, researcher, Municipalities, Public
- Focus: All taxa, all species, many projects on emerald ash borer
- Authority: none
- Lead Agency: none, NGO
- Website: <a href="http://cqeee.org/">http://cqeee.org/</a>