Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement AIS Annex 6

Binational Great Lakes Aquatic Invasive Species Forum
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Annex 6 Progress

• Binational and Domestic Actions
  – Conducting **risk assessments**
  – Undertaking **outreach and engagement**
  – By 2015, develop and implement an Aquatic Invasive Species **early detection and rapid response** initiative.
  – Preventing introduction and spread of Aquatic Invasive Species through **regulations**
  – Conducting **research** to develop and test Aquatic Invasive Species detection, containment, and control technologies
  – Assessing the potential impacts of **climate change** on Aquatic Invasive Species
AIS Annex 6 Priorities, 2016-19

- Action
  - Refine & enhance the early detection & rapid response initiative
  - Develop a clearinghouse for AIS species & pathway risk assessments
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• Science to:
  – Improve our tools for eradication & containment methods
  – Design passage around dams that block invasive species but pass wanted fish
  – Improve our tools for early detection
AIS Annex 6 Plans

• Refine Early Detection and Response:
  – Great Lakes AIS Early Detection Program
  – Federal-to-Federal Mutual Aid Agreement
  – Grass Carp Management Response Process

• Clearing House for Risk Assessments

• Annex 5 Coordination on Ballast

• AIS Indicators in State of The Great Lakes Report

• Developing Structured Progress Reporting Science and Actions
AIS Annex 6 Next Steps

• Annex 6 Subcommittee - Teleconference/Webinar meeting – November 21, 2017

• GLEC Presentation – December 5-6, Toronto - Asian Carp Highlights