



Great Lakes Panel on Aquatic Nuisance Species Recreational Activities and Shipping Pathways Priority Actions for the GLP to Consider

Recreational Activities

1. Develop a GLP position/policy statement regarding:
 - a. Interstate consistency across regulations
 - b. Institutionalize mandatory inspections on-site
 - c. Methods for modeling boat movement
2. Develop GLP statement on:
 - a. Issues of cost when considering mandatory vs. voluntary inspections/decontamination
 - b. Barriers to implementation and additional benefit of higher levels of effort in programs
 - c. Identify locations where higher level effort could be targeted
3. Survey recreational user groups across the Great Lakes to understand to what degree these groups are being reached through current education/outreach campaigns
4. Prioritize recreational user groups for which additional education/outreach messaging and standard guidance for risk reduction should be developed, and provide this information to the ANSTF.
5. Communicate findings of efforts to quantify per-vessel estimates of propagule abundance in relation to key niche on the vessel and trailer.
6. Collect existing public service announcements and advertisements in recreation-oriented media.
7. Consider hosting a session on identifying and prioritize locations for establishing outreach and inspections
8. Develop “cheat sheet” of available resources to quantify the relationship between propagule pressure and invasion risk, especially at the levels of propagule introduction anticipated through various types and lengths of recreational boating trips

Shipping

1. Assist Great Lakes states (Governors) in developing a coordinated input to the Administrator of the USEPA concerning standards of performance relevant to ballast water discharge, as allowed under VIDA Sec 903 (a)(4)(A)(iii)(I).
2. Assist the Great Lakes Commission in reviewing and assessing enhanced Great Lakes system standards of performance or other requirement applicable to a discharge proposed under VIDA Sec 903 (a)(10)(B) of the Vessel Incidental Discharge Act.